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ISRAEL-JORDAN

UNTSO INVESTIGATION RAMAT HANUVESH, ISRAEL, EXPLOSION  
25 MAY SHOWED SCATTERED TRACKS APPARENTLY LEADING FROM AND  
TO JORDAN BORDER NEAR GALQILIYA, NR 147-177, BUT NO TRACKS WITHIN  
ABOUT 500 METERS ARMISTICE LINE SO FURTHER TRACKING INSIDE  
JORDAN NOT POSSIBLE.

DURING INVESTIGATION 27 MAY EXPLOSION WHICH OCCURRED EARLIER SAME  
DAY ON OUTSKIRTS AFULA, ISRAELI TRACKING PARTY POINTED OUT ONE FOOTPRINT  
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ABOUT 1500 METERS FROM BORDER IN ISRAEL, APPARENTLY LEADING  
TOWARD JORDAN, AND ANOTHER ABOUT 25 METERS INSIDE JORDAN  
IDENTIFIABLE AS SAME SHOE BECAUSE OF DISTINCTIVE PATTERN ON  
SOLE. WHEN DOG RELEASED TO FOLLOW SCENT, DOG CIRCLED AND WENT TO  
ISRAELI CIVILIAN ACCOMPANYING ISRAELI PARTY AND REFUSED TO  
LEAVE HIM. INSPECTION HIS SHOES SHOWED IDENTICAL DISTINCTIVE SOLE  
PATTERN. ENTIRE SEQUENCE OBSERVED BY UNMOS WHO STATED ISRAELI  
CIVILIAN HAD NOT RPT NOT BEEN IN VICINITY PRINTS DURING INVEST-  
IGATION. JORDAN IMMEDIATELY REQUESTED FURTHER INVESTIGATION,  
CHARGING ISRAEL HAD ATTEMPTED PLANT EVIDENCE. ISRAEL BLOCKING FURTHER  
ACTION BY PARLIAMENTARY TACTICS INVOLVING RESEARCH PRECEDENT  
ALLOWING ONE SIDE ASK FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION OF COMPLAINT  
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NIGHT 27 MAY 2330 LOCAL TIME HEAVY EXPLOSIONS REPORTED HEARD IN QALQILIYA. JORDAN FILED COMPLAINT MINUTES LATER CHARGING THAT EIGHT ISRAELI SOLDIERS CROSSED ADL AND BLEW UP TWO PETROL STATIONS AND ONE OR MORE HOUSES IN QALQILIYA. CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. UNTSO INVESTIGATION BEGAN 0530 LOCAL.

MORNING 28 MAY UNTSO OBSERVATION POST AT JENIN MR 178-207  
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REPORTED OUTBREAK FIRE 0007 LOCAL TIME. SOURCE AND TARGET NOT OBSERVED BUT BOTH SIDES FIRING. DURING EXCHANGE ABOUT 25 MINUTES MORTAR OR ARTILLERY FIRE FELL IN JENIN TOWN CAUSING POWER FAILURE AND SEVERAL FIRES. MAC NOTIFIED BOTH PARTIES BUT BEFORE CEASE FIRE REQUEST MADE, FIRING HAD STOPPED AT ABOUT 0030. JORDAN FILED COMPLAINT CHARGING ISRAEL OPENED FIRE FROM VICINITY MUQEIBILA VILLAGE, MR 177-214, USING WEAPONS INCLUDING UNKNOWN TYPE ARTILLERY. EXTENT DAMAGE AND CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY 0530 LOCAL.

THIRD COMPLAINT FILED BY JORDAN DURING NIGHT CHARGED THAT ISRAELI PATROL CROSSED BORDER EAST OF NORTH SHUNA, MR 206-223 AND WAS ENGAGED IN FIRE FIGHT WITH JORDAN MILITARY. DURING ACTION ISRAELIS DEMOLISHED TWO HOUSES WITH EXPLOSIVE CHARGES KILLING TWO CIVILIANS AND WOUNDING THREE. OTHER CASUALTIES UNKNOWN. INVESTIGATION UNDERWAY 0800 LOCAL.

COMMENT: UNMOS FROM JENIN AREA VENTURED OPINION ISRAELI PATROL ENROUTE TO JENIN ON SABOTAGE MISSION HAD BEEN DETECTED AND TIED DOWN NEAR BORDER BY JORDAN FIRE, LEADING TO USE MORTARS ON CITY ITSELF.  
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AREA INVOLVED IN SAHE IN WHICH TRACKING EPISODE TOOK PLACE EARLIER  
IN DAY. UNMOS CONVINCED ISRAEL ATTEMPTED PLANT TRACKS TO BOLSTER  
IMPRESSION MARAUDERS CAME FROM JORDAN.

ACOS MARSH TEMPORARILY ACTING CHAIRMAN HKJ/I MAC AUTHORIZED USE  
FOREGOING BY DEPARTMENT IN CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS PROVIDED SOURCE  
PROTECTED. HE HAD CALLED ME TO MARJHOUSE AT MIDNIGHT BECAUSE  
SERIOUS ESCALATION APPEARED POSSIBLE, BUT NO FURTHER FIRING REPORTED  
AS OF 2803 LOCAL.

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