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MIPT : LEBANON : US ACTION

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SECRETARY GENERAL'S STATEMENT:

THE DEVELOPMENTS IN LEBANON OVER THE WEEK-END HAVE BEEN BOTH ALARMING AND TRAGIC. THE PROCESS OF ACTION AND REPRISAL HAS NOT ONLY TAKEN A TERRIBLE TOLL OF HUMAN LIFE: IT REPRESENTS A MOST DANGEROUS DEVELOPMENT IN THE ALREADY VIOLENT CIRCUMSTANCES OF THAT AREA: AND THE ACTIONS TAKEN ON ALL SIDES, WHATEVER THE CAUSE FOR THEM, CAN ONLY MAKE THE SITUATION MORE DANGEROUS AND LEAD TO FUTURE TRAGEDIES, AND EVEN TO A MAJOR CONFLICT.

I NOW EARNESTLY APPEAL TO ALL THE PARTIES INVOLVED TO REFRAIN FORTHWITH FROM THE USE OF FORCE. ONLY IF THIS IS DONE CAN THE PROCESS OF CONCILIATION AND NEGOTIATION HAVE A CHANCE OF SUCCEEDING. I THEREFORE CALL FOR A GENERAL CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES, AND A REDOUBLING OF EFFORTS FOR CONCILIATION AND PEACEFUL NEGOTIATION.

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