

**ISRAEL**  
**and**  
**MULTINATIONAL FORCE AND OBSERVERS**

**Exchange of letters constituting an agreement concerning the authority of the Director-General of the Multinational Force and Observers to enter into agreements with States participating in the MFO. Alexandria, Virginia and Jerusalem, 15 March 1982**

*Authentic text: English.*

*Registered by Israel on 21 October 1983.*

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**ISRAËL**  
**et**  
**FORCE ET CORPS D'OBSERVATEURS**  
**MULTINATIONAUX**

**Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif à l'autorité du Directeur général de la Force et du Corps d'observateurs multinationaux pour conclure des accords avec les États participants à la Force et au Corps. Alexandria (Virginie) et Jérusalem, 15 mars 1982**

*Texte authentique : anglais.*

*Enregistré par Israël le 21 octobre 1983.*

EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup>  
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL AND THE MULTI-  
NATIONAL FORCE AND OBSERVERS CONCERNING THE  
AUTHORITY OF THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE MULTI-  
NATIONAL FORCE AND OBSERVERS TO ENTER INTO  
AGREEMENTS WITH STATES PARTICIPATING IN THE MFO

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MULTINATIONAL FORCE AND OBSERVERS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

March 15, 1982

Dear Mr. Minister:

As you know, I am in the process of negotiating with various nations concerning the contribution of contingents to the MFO and other matters related to the MFO's activities. In this connection, several questions have been raised concerning the authority of the MFO to enter into agreements with participating states. I am providing participating states the following statement:

"Pursuant to paragraph 3 of the annex to the Protocol of August 3, 1981,<sup>2</sup> the Director General of the MFO is authorized to sign agreements on behalf of the MFO with governments of nations approved by Egypt and Israel providing for the contribution of military or civilian personnel or contingents to the MFO in accordance with the terms of the aforementioned Protocol. The governments of Egypt and Israel will respect these agreements concerning the presence of the MFO in their territories. In this regard, the Director-General on behalf of the MFO is in a position to assure such participating states that the members of the MFO shall have the rights, duties, privileges and immunities in accordance with the Protocol."

Virtually all of the prospective participants with which we are now engaged in discussions believe it would be useful if Egypt and Israel—as the states within which the MFO will be carrying out its activities—were to reaffirm the authority of the Director-General of the MFO in this regard. I believe the most effective way to provide such assurance to the participating states would be to obtain confirmation from both governments that the foregoing statement is accurate. Given the shortness of time, I would appreciate your response at your earliest convenience.

Please accept the assurance of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,

[Signed]

LEAMON R. HUNT  
Director-General

His Excellency Yitzhak Shamir  
Minister of Foreign Affairs  
Jerusalem, Israel

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 15 March 1982 by the exchange of the said letters.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1335, No. 1-22403.

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15 March 1982

Dear Mr. Hunt,

This is in reply to your letter of 15 March 1982.

I hereby confirm that the Government of Israel considers the statement set forth in your letter to be entirely accurate.

Yours sincerely,

[Signed]

DAVID KIMCHE

Mr. Leamon R. Hunt  
Director-General  
Multinational Force and Observers

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