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Commission Decries Attack on Egyptian Area—Cairo Guilty in Mine Laying

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CAIRO, July 16—Israel was condemned today for a "warlike act" by "Israeli regular armed forces" who killed five soldiers in an invasion of Egyptian-controlled territory last Monday.

The Egyptian-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission, meeting at Gaza, adopted a resolution to this effect and another submitted by Israel blaming Egypt for placing land mines that blew up an Israeli vehicle, wounding five Israeli soldiers.

After hearing reports of United Nations observers on an investigation of the Egyptian complaint, the commission condemned Israel for a "crossing of the armistice demarcation line east of Deir el Balah by Israeli regular armed forces and an attack on an Egyptian military outpost well inside the Egyptian-controlled territory, using bangalore torpedoes, automatic weapons, rifles, submachine guns, blocks, fused TNT and anti-tank charges."

The resolution found also that Israeli attackers killed five of the Palestinian frontier guards manning the post, wounded three others and withdrew with a quantity of arms found in the post. The armistice commission found this to be a violation of three sections of the general armistice agreement and noted "with great concern that in spite of obligations imposed on Israel by the general armistice agreement and several decisions of the Mixed Armistice Commission, aggressions against Egyptian armed forces and civilians under Egyptian control continue."

Israel had filed a cross-complaint in the same incident charging that the Israeli patrol carried out the attack only after it had been brought under heavy fire from the Egyptian side of the demarcation line. In the vote on this complaint, the chairman of the commission, Colonel Bartholdi of Denmark abstained, and the resolution failed to carry.

However, the commission sustained an Israeli complaint charging that a patrol of five Israeli soldiers and a command car had been attacked July 8 in the same area by the explosion of land mines laid in the path regularly used by patrols.

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