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OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that the United States Air Force continues to violate Iraqi airspace, as follows:

I.

- 1. The total United States air activity inside Iraqi airspace on 21/22 August 1991 amounted to eight sorties, carried out by four formations of two aircraft each, at speeds of 600 to 900 km/h and at an altitude of 2,000 metres.
- 2. The flights were centred over the areas of Arbil, Dohuk, northern Rawanduz, Mosul, Sumayyil and Amadiyah, and the objective was observation and provocation.

II.

- 1. The United States Air Force continued its violations inside Iraqi airspace on 22/23 August 1991 for the purpose of observation and provocation. It made 15 sorties, carried out by seven formations of two aircraft each and one solo sortie, at a speed of 600 to 900 km/h and at an altitude of 4,000 to 21,000 metres.
- 2. The flights were concentrated over the areas of Dohuk, Mosul, Arbil, Tall Afar, Rawanduz and Amadiyah.

III.

- 1. The total United States air activity inside Iraqi airspace on 23/24 August 1991 amounted to 17 sorties, carried out by eight formations of two aircraft each and one solo sortie.
- 2. The speed of the aircraft was from 700 to 850 km/h at altitudes ranging between 2,000 and 5,000 metres. The flights were centred over the areas of Mosul, Arbil, Zakho, Amadiyah, Rawanduz and Dohuk, and the objective was observation and provocation.

IV.

- 1. The total United States air activity inside Iraqi airspace on 24/25 August 1991 amounted to 21 sorties, carried out by 10 formations of two aircraft each and one solo sortie, at a speed of 600 to 900 km/h and at an altitude of 6,000 to 8,000 metres.
- 2. The flights centred over the areas of Mosul, Arbil, Dohuk, Amadiyah and Zakho, and the objective was observation and provocation.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Sabah Talat KADRAT
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