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LETTER DATED 10 JUNE 1992 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instruction from my Government, I wish to inform you that violations of Iraqi airspace by United States aircraft for purposes of surveillance and provocation continued during the period from 3 to 9 June 1992, as follows:

3-4 June 1992

Seventeen sorties flown by six two-aircraft formations and five single aircraft at a speed of 720 km/h and at altitudes of 5,500-8,000 m, centred on Zakho, Amadiyah, Ayn Zalah, Dohuk, Irbil, Mosul and Tall Afar.

4-5 June 1992

Twenty-four sorties flown by 11 two-aircraft formations and two single aircraft at speeds of 600-900 km/h at altitudes of 2,000-8,000 m, centred on Zakho, Dohuk, Amadiyah, Mosul, Tall Afar and Irbil.

5-6 June 1992

Ten sorties flown by five two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at an altitude of 4,060 m, centred on Zakho, Dohuk, Irbil, Tall Afar and Mosul.

7 June 1992

At 1543 hours, two aircraft overflew the Bakhirah area at a speed of 720 km/h and at an altitude of 50 m. One of them dropped a flare over agricultural land where wheat was being harvested, but fires did not break out.

7-8 June 1992

Twenty-three sorties flown by 10 two-aircraft formations and one three-aircraft formation at speeds of 700-900 km/h and at an altitude of 5,000 m, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Dehuk, Zakho, Ayn Zalah, Tall Afar, Sinjar, Rawanduz and Amadiyah.

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8-9 June 1992

Twenty-one sorties flown by 10 two-aircraft formations and one single aircraft at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 4,500-6,000 m, except for one sortie that flew at an altitude of 18,000 m. Flights centred on Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Sinjar, Zakho and Amadiyah.

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

(<u>Signed</u>) Samir K. K. AL-NIMA Chargé d'affaires a.i.

