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IDENTICAL LETTERS DATED 5 APRIL 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT
REPRESENTATIVE OF AZERBAIJAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED RESPECTIVELY TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND THE
PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit to you a facsimile letter from His Excellency Dr. Abulfaz Elchibey, President of the Azerbaijani Republic, dated 3 April 1993. In this letter the President states the ongoing large-scale aggression conducted by the Republic of Armenia against Azerbaijan, and requests:

- To provide humanitarian assistance by the appropriate bodies of the United Nations aimed at the rescue of civilians in the Kelbajar region of Azerbaijan;
- To have the open aggression conducted by the Republic of Armenia against the Azerbaijani Republic condemned by the President of the Security Council;
- To urgently dispatch a fact-finding mission to the zone of military action;
- To have the ongoing Armenian aggression against the Azerbaijani Republic, aimed at tearing away the internationally recognized territories of Azerbaijan, discussed at the meeting of the Security Council.

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

(Signed) Hassan A. HASSANOV
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

[Original: Russian]

Identical letters dated 3 April 1993 from the President of
Azerbaijan addressed respectively to the Secretary-General
and the President of the Security Council

The Republic of Armenia, flouting all moral standards, the Charter of the United Nations, the principles of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) and the international rules of law, has perpetrated another flagrant act of barefaced aggression against the sovereign Azerbaijani Republic, the territory of which is internationally recognized. On 27 March, using aircraft, tanks and heavy equipment, the Republic of Armenia, yet again, violated our State frontier and attacked the Kelbajar district of Azerbaijan. This attack was supported by an Armenian expeditionary force from the already occupied Azerbaijani territory in Upper Karabakh. As a result, the district, with its 60,000 inhabitants, has been surrounded and cut off from the outside world. The civilian population is being bombed and shelled when attempting to escape from the surrounded area. There have already been a large number of killed and wounded.

In this connection, I request that:

- Active measures be taken by your Organization to provide the humanitarian assistance necessary to save the innocent civilian inhabitants of the Kelbajar district of Azerbaijan;
- The barefaced aggression by the Republic of Armenia against Azerbaijan be condemned by the President of the Security Council;
- A fact-finding mission be dispatched urgently to the zone of military action;
- The Armenian aggression against Azerbaijan, aimed at the seizure of internationally recognized territories of the Azerbaijani Republic, be discussed at a meeting of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abulfaz Elchibey
