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NOTE VERBALE DATED 26 JULY 1993 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL  
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 22 and 25 July 1993, there appear to have been eight flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are attached as annex I to this note verbale. Additionally, there appears to have been one flight on 21 July 1993 not previously reported. Details as to the itinerary of this flight are attached as annex II.

The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 715.

Annex I

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(22-25 July 1993)

| Serial number | Date    | Start | End  | Remarks   | Heading, speed, altitude                  |
|---------------|---------|-------|------|---|---|
| 729           | 22 July | 1439  | 1445 | NATO fighters made visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter 36 kilometres south of Sarajevo. The helicopter landed quickly. The fighters lost visual contact due to operational reasons. A few minutes later, the fighters reported radar contact with the helicopter heading west. The fighters issued warnings, but contact was soon lost. This flight occurred in a border zone between areas controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Bosnian Serbs. | West<br>Slow<br>Low                       |
| 730           | 22 July | 1525  | 1528 | NATO fighters observed a green MI-8 helicopter with a red cross landing 41 kilometres south of Sarajevo. A bus and a second helicopter were located near the MI-8. This flight occurred in a border zone between areas controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Bosnian Serbs.  | Landing                                   |
| 731           | 23 July | 1410  | 1443 | NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a green MI-8 helicopter with a red cross 14 kilometres south of Tuzla. Ignoring warnings, the helicopter eventually landed in Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.  | South-west<br>Slow<br>Low                 |
| 732           | 23 July | 1518  | 1532 | AWACS reported a low-level radar contact 55 kilometres north-east of Banja Luka. NATO fighters investigated and made radar and visual contact with a green camouflaged Gazelle helicopter. The helicopter ignored warnings and eventually landed 50 kilometres south-east of Banja Luka. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.   | South<br>Slow<br>Low                      |
| 733           | 24 July | 0017  | 0042 | AWACS reported a radar contact 66 kilometres south-west of Zenica. NATO fighters did not make contact. AWACS last reported position of the contact was 9 kilometres south of Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Croats.  | North-east<br>140-190 knots<br>4,500 feet |
| 734           | 24 July | 1221  | 1221 | United Nations military observers at Banja Luka observed a green Gazelle helicopter with a red cross landing at Zaluzani. The tail number of the helicopter was 12756. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.   | Landing                                   |
| 735           | 24 July | 1740  | 1759 | AWACS reported a radar contact with a manoeuvring aircraft 23 kilometres south-west of Tuzla. A few minutes later, NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter 30 kilometres south-west of Tuzla. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.  | Manoeuvring<br>Low<br>Slow                |

| Serial number | Date    | Start | End  | Remarks  | Heading, speed, altitude |
|---------------|---------|-------|------|--|--------------------------|
| 736           | 25 July | 1256  | 1302 | NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter approximately 5 kilometres south of Zenica. The helicopter landed before a warning could be issued. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina. | Landing                  |

Annex IIAdditional information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(21 July 1993)

| Serial number | Date    | Start | End  | Remarks  | Heading, speed, altitude |
|---------------|---------|-------|------|--|--------------------------|
| 737           | 21 July | 1505  | 1505 | An EC military monitor team at Zenica observed a white and blue MI-8 helicopter with a red cross heading north. The helicopter landed near Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina. | North<br>Slow<br>Low     |