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REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that, during the period from 8 to 15 November 1993, United States aircraft continued to violate Iraqi national airspace for the purpose of surveillance and provocation.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Details</u>
8 November 1993	<p>(a) Northern region: 12 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 6,500-8,000 m, centred on Mosul, Zakho, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Amadiyah, Ayn Zalah and Dokan.</p> <p>(b) Southern region: 40 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,500-9,000 m, centred on Basra, Nasiriyah, Samarra, Qurnah, Artawi, Lasaf and Khidr.</p>
9 November 1993	<p>(a) Northern region: No hostile air activity was recorded in this region on 9 November 1993.</p> <p>(b) Southern region: 42 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-9,000 m, centred on Nasiriyah, Samarra, Qurnah, Artawi and Busayyah.</p> <p>At 1337 hours a TR-1 reconnaissance aircraft conducted a reconnaissance flight over Qurnah, flying at a speed of 600 km/h and at an altitude 20,000 m. It disappeared from sight at 1415 hours over Jabal Sanam, heading for Kuwaiti airspace.</p>
10 November 1993	<p>(a) Northern region: No hostile air activity was recorded in this region on 10 November 1993.</p> <p>(b) Southern region: 2 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 8,000 m, centred on Nasiriyah and Artawi.</p>

- 11 November 1993 (a) Northern region: No hostile air activity was recorded in this region on 11 November 1993.
- (b) Southern region: 42 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-9,000 m, centred on Basra, Nasiriyah, Qurnah, Qal'at Salih, Samarra, Artawi, Busayyah, Lasaf, Ushbayjah and Jalibah.
- 12 November 1993 (a) Northern region: No hostile air activity was recorded in this region on 12 November 1993.
- (b) Southern region: 36 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h, centred on Basra, Nasiriyah, Samarra, Artawi and Busayyah.
- At 1512 hours the sound barrier was broken by an aggressor formation over Qurnah, flying at an altitude of 8,000 m.
- 13 November 1993 (a) Northern region: 12 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 6,500-7,500 m, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Amadiyah and Zakho.
- (b) Southern region: 31 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,500-9,000 m, centred on Nasiriyah, Samarra, Qurnah, Qal'at Salih, Busayyah and Jalibah.
- At 1235 hours a TR-1 reconnaissance aircraft flying at a speed of 600 km/h and at an altitude 20,000 m conducted a reconnaissance flight, centred on Qurnah, Nasiriyah, Shatrah, southern Diwaniyah and southern Najaf. It disappeared from sight at 1454 hours over Artawi, heading for Kuwaiti airspace.
- 14 November 1993 (a) Northern region: 29 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 6,000-8,000 m, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Amadiyah, Zakho and Ayn Zalah.
- (b) Southern region: 56 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 5,500-8,500 m, centred on Basra, Nasiriyah, Samarra, Qal'at Salih, Qurnah, Amarah, Artawi, Busayyah, Suq al-Shaykh, Salman, southern Diwaniyah, Ushbayjah and Shatrah.
- 15 November 1993 (a) Northern region: 22 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,500-8,500 m, centred on Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Amadiyah and Zakho.

- (b) Southern region: 42 sorties, flown at speeds of 600-900 km/h and at altitudes of 7,000-9,000 m, centred on Nasiriyah, Qurnah, Samarra, Artawi, Busayyah, Jalibah and southern Diwaniyah.

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

(Signed) Nizar HAMDOON
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