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Letter dated 6 November 1980 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to draw your attention to the serious escalation of provocative actions from the Afghanistan side along the Pakistan-Afghanistan border. The Government of Pakistan, which has maintained a policy of restraint towards a large number of the violations of Pakistan's air space by aircraft with Afghan markings, is constrained to take a grave view of the three recent armed attacks by helicopter gunships detailed below:

- (a) On 26 September 1980, a formation of helicopter gunships from Afghanistan attacked a Pakistani border post in Bajour Agency with rockets and cannons for about 20 minutes, killing two men of Pakistan's civilian armed forces and injuring another:
- (b) On 28 September 1980, five helicopter gunships coming from Afghanistan fired 10 rockets at the Pakistani border post at Nowa in Mohmand Agency;
- (c) On 24 October 1980, six MI 24 helicopter gunships from Afghanistan attacked two villages and one Afghan refugee camp in North Waziristan Agency well inside the Pakistani territory, causing injuries to three civilians including one child.

In protesting the above aggressive acts, the Government of Pakistan sincerely hopes that these unprovoked armed raids, which constitute a serious violation of Pakistan's territory, would cease forthwith.

I shall be grateful if the text of this letter is circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 116, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Niaz A. NAIK
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