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OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government and with reference to my note of 23 September 1982 (S/15427) and previous notes, I have the honour to report to you further acts of harassment carried out by British vessels and aircraft against Argentine fishing vessels; all these incidents occurred outside the so-called "protection zone" arbitrarily and unilaterally established by the United Kingdom Government.

The events referred to are the following:

On 10 September - 1950 hours GMT - at latitude 52°37' south and longitude 63°26' west, seven miles outside the "protection zone", the fishing vessel Usurbil was buzzed by a Westland Sea Lynx WG 13 military helicopter with British markings.

On 11 September - 1144 hours GMT - at latitude 52°38' south and longitude 63°36' west, eight miles outside the "protection zone", the fishing vessel Api IV was overflown by an olive green military helicopter with British markings. Similar action took place over the remainder of the Argentine fishing fleet.

On 11 September - 1150 hours GMT - at latitude 52°33' south and longitude 63°34' west approximately eight miles outside the "protection zone", a British helicopter circled above the fishing vessel Rokko Maru.

On 11 September - 1140 hours GMT - at latitude 52°37' south and longitude 63°27' west some 10 miles outside the "protection zone", the fishing vessel Usurbil was buzzed by a Westland Sea Lyn WG 13 with British markings.

On 11 September - 1140 GMT - at latitude 52°35' south and longitude 63°39' west some 15 miles outside the "protection zone", the fishing vessels Api II and Api IV were overflown by a British military helicopter.

On 11 September - 1130 hours GMT - at latitude 52°31' south and longitude 63°32' west, some 15 miles outside the "protection zone", the fishing vessels Api III and Api IV were overflown by a Sea King helicopter at an altitude of 60 metres.

On 15 September - 2220 hours GMT - at latitude 52°53' south and longitude 64°10' west, approximately 45 miles outside the "protection zone", the fishing vessel Corcubi6n was overflowed by a helicopter.

On 15 September - 2055 hours GMT - at latitude 52°49' south and longitude 63°35' west, approximately 25 miles outside the protection zone, the fishing vessel Rivera Gallega was buzzed by an olive-green military helicopter with British markings.

On 15 September - 2105 hours GMT - at latitude 52°39' south and longitude 63°52' west, approximately 10 miles outside the protection zone, the fishing vessels Urquill and Usurbil were overflowed by a military helicopter with British markings.

On 15 September - 2115 hours GMT - at latitude 53°02' south and longitude 64°15' west, more than 30 miles outside the protection zone, the fishing vessel Caaveiro was overflowed by a Sea King helicopter gunship with British markings.

On 15 September - 2110 hours GMT - at latitude 52°56' south and longitude 63°37' west, at the outer limit of the protection zone, the vessel Api II was buzzed by a British military helicopter.

On 18 September - 2030 hours GMT - at latitude 52°45' south and longitude 64°25' west, 30 miles outside the protection zone, the fishing vessels Kasuga Maru and Rokko Maru were overflowed by a British military helicopter at an altitude of 20 metres.

On 18 September - 2000 hours GMT - at latitude 52°39' south and longitude 64°17' west, 30 miles outside the protection zone, the fishing vessel Api III was overflowed at low altitude by a British military helicopter.

On 18 September - 2025 hours GMT - at latitude 52°40' south and longitude 64°13' west, 32 miles outside the protection zone, the fishing vessel Rivera Gallega was buzzed by an olive-green Sea Lynx military helicopter with British markings.

On 18 September - 2025 hours GMT - at latitude 52°39' south and longitude 64°20' west, 30 miles outside the protection zone, the fishing vessel Usurbil was buzzed by a Westland Lynx WG 13 military helicopter.

On 18 September - 2020 hours GMT - at latitude 52°40' south and longitude 64°15' west, 30 miles outside the protection zone, the fishing vessels Caaveiro and Corcubion were buzzed by a Sea King helicopter gunship, with British markings.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this letter to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Carlos Manuel MUÑIZ
Ambassador
Permanent Representative
