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LETTER DATED 27 JUNE 1988 FROM THE ACTING PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to enclose herewith a note verbale containing the protest of the Islamic Republic of Iran to a violation by American forces in the Persian Gulf against the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter and its annex were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Mohammad Ja'afar MAHALLATI
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Annex

According to information received from relevant authorities of the Islamic Republic of Iran, at 0910 hours of 30 April 1988, an SR-71 American plane flying at 65,000 to 70,000 ft. high, 1,100 miles per hour, violated the airspace of the Islamic Republic of Iran from Taheri Port to Chah-bahar.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran strongly protests against such operations by American airplanes which is in flagrant violation of national sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The responsibility for consequences of recurrence of such acts should obviously be borne by the Government of the United States.

