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Letter dated 25 August 1988 from the Permanent Representative
of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

Further to our letter dated 8 August 1988 (A/43/515-S/20101), I have the honour to report to you the following incident in violation of Pakistan territory from the Afghanistan side, which occurred on 21 August 1988:

On 21 August 1988, at 1320 hours, the Afghan armed forces fired two rounds of artillery which landed in the Landikotal area of Khyber Agency. As a result, one Pakistan national was killed.

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The Afghan Chargé d'affaires was summoned to the Foreign Office at Islamabad on the morning of 25 August 1988, and a strong protest was lodged with him over the unprovoked attacks. He was asked to inform the authorities in Kabul that if such attacks did not cease the entire responsibility for the serious consequences would rest on them.

I also take this opportunity to inform you that the Government of Pakistan has rejected the protest made by the Kabul authorities on 11 August 1988 at 1045 hours, in which it was alleged that, during the night of 4 to 5 August 1988, one Pakistan aircraft violated Afghan airspace in the area of Urgun. Pakistan's rejection of the allegation was conveyed to the Afghan Chargé d'affaires in Islamabad on 25 August 1988.

The Government of Pakistan has also rejected the protest made by the Kabul authorities on 8 August 1988 at 1500 hours, in which it was alleged that, on the night of 4 August 1988, one Pakistan aircraft on reconnaissance mission entered 30 kilometres inside Afghanistan in the area of Shiltan (Kunar Province) and after flying from 2145 hours to 2215 hours over the area exited through Uluswali Sarkani (Kunar Province) back into Pakistan. Pakistan's rejection of the allegation was conveyed to the Afghan Chargé d'affaires in Islamabad on 25 August 1988.

I request you to have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under items 30, 72, 130, 134 and 137 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) S. SHAH NAWAZ
Ambassador and Permanent Representative
