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LETTER DATED 31 AUGUST 1988 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF  
THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE  
UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you of further violations of the cease-fire by Iraqi forces.

1. At 15:24 hours, on 22 August 1988, an Iraqi gunship helicopter violated the Dopazar airspace in Sardasht.
2. At 15:45 hours, on 22 August 1988, an Iraqi gunship helicopter violated Iranian airspace over Sardasht in the presence of United Nations observers.
3. On 27 August 1988, Iraqi forces fired 15 mortar shells between 10:00 and 10:20 hours, 10 mortar shells between 13:00 and 13:10 hours and 25 mortar shells between 13:30 and 14:30 hours at the Tazdardagh area at the geographic co-ordinates of 804-067 on the 1:5,000 map of Oshnaviyeh, opposite the Govadej pharmacy.
4. Between 10:00 and 11:00 hours, on 29 August 1988, 18 Iraqi trailer trucks entered an area at the geographic co-ordinates of 5970-0250 and two other trucks entered an area at the geographic co-ordinates of 5855-4800 on the Piranshahr map; these vehicles were probably carrying ammunitions and supplies. During the two days prior to this date, contrary to past exercise, Iraqi forces advanced, under camouflage, towards Iranian personnel stationed in the area.
5. In the morning of 29 August 1988, Iraqi forces advanced by 2 to 3 kilometres along the Mehran-Salehabad road and reached a distance of 2 kilometres from the city of Mehran.
6. On 30 August 1988, Iraqi forces fired a 120 millimetre artillery shell in the Mehran area, causing the martyrdom of 4 individuals.

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It should be noted that Iraqi forces take advantage of the fact that there are no United Nations observers present in the Mehran area. In response to requests to that effect by the Islamic Republic of Iran, the observer team has informed the latter that due to logistical difficulties, it will take no less than two weeks to send an observer force to the area.

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

(Signed) Mahmoud Sadat MADARSHAHI  
Ambassador  
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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