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OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that the Iranian armed forces have committed the following violations of the cease-fire provisions:

1. At 1120 hours on 14 September 1988, three persons were observed digging firing positions inside their lines at a distance of 200 metres from our defensive positions in the II Army Corps sector.
2. At 0715 hours on 15 September 1988, an enemy engineering unit was observed spreading earth opposite our units in the VII Army Corps sector.
3. At 0500 hours on 15 September 1988, 10 enemy personnel were observed building a position within their front lines at a distance of 150 metres from our defensive positions in the II Army Corps sector.
4. The enemy erected a tower 10 metres in height to the south of Abadan and, at 1125 hours, the enemy proceeded to build two positions, one of them a firing position.
5. At 1005 hours on 15 September 1988, a group of enemy personnel estimated at eight in number, a dump truck and another truck proceeded to erect a wire mesh barrier to block the Mandhariya-Qasr Shirin road at a distance of 500 metres from the forward perimeter of our units in the II Army Corps sector.
6. At 1010 hours on 15 September 1988, two enemy tanks were observed on the Khadsharifan chain in the V Army Corps sector.
7. At 1030 hours on 15 September 1988, a group of enemy personnel estimated at six persons, accompanied by a group of United Nations observers carrying white flags, proceeded to occupy new positions about 300 metres from their own positions and about 800 metres from our positions in the II Army Corps sector.
8. At 1020 hours on 15 September 1988, an enemy vehicle carrying a 106 cannon was seen heading towards Husayn Abad at hill 177.

9. At 1130 hours on 15 September 1988, the enemy proceeded to pitch two tents on hill 1550 opposite our units in the I Army Corps sector, and two Iranian flags were raised over the tents. A group of persons estimated at 10 in number was observed at a distance of 12 kilometres from the international boundaries.

10. At 1300 hours on 15 September 1988, the enemy opened small- and medium-arms fire on one of our units while carrying out its duties close to the village of Washtanau on the border summit of Dalan, causing the wounding of three non-commissioned members of our armed forces.

11. At 1645 hours on 15 September 1988, an engineering unit made up of four trucks was observed constructing earthworks and erecting a concrete shelter opposite our units in the VI Army Corps.

12. At 1700 hours on 15 September 1988, an enemy vehicle carrying three enemy personnel, identified as a Toyota pickup truck, approached our forward positions at a distance of 100 metres on the road leading to the village of Luran.

13. At 1915 hours on 15 September 1988, the enemy bombarded our forward positions in the V Army Corps sector with 120-millimetre mortars. The number of shells that landed was four.

14. At 1825 hours on 15 September 1988, 20 Iranian soldiers began to dig a slit-trench 120 metres long parallel to the front opposite our forward positions in the IV Army Corps sector to the east of the Doweiraj River.

15. At 0900 hours on 15 September 1988, 10 enemy personnel were observed constructing a position within their forward lines at a distance of 150 metres from our forward positions in the II Army Corps sector.

16. An enemy engineering unit was observed close to the village of Shishah constructing an embankment, and another unit was observed operating at the naval base south of the Karun River.

17. Various enemy engineering units were observed building up the forward embankment in the VII Army Corps sector.

18. An enemy engineering unit was observed operating to the north of Khawr Abadan where it was mending the road.

19. An enemy engineering unit was observed operating on the road on the east bank of the Shatt al-Arab.

20. At 0500 hours on 16 September 1988, a new enemy firing position was noted opposite our positions in the VII Army Corps sector.

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

(Signed) Ismat KITTANI  
Permanent Representative

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