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Identical letters dated 27 January 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and to the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the daily report for 27 January 2003 on the activities of the inspection teams of the United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Iraq (see annex).

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

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Report on the activities of the IAEA and UNMOVIC inspection teams in Iraq

Inspection activities on 27 January 2003

I. IAEA inspection team

1. A first group, consisting of three inspectors, left the Canal Hotel at 0900 hours to visit the site of the Sumud State Company, a subsidiary of the Military Industrialization Corporation (MIC), 35 kilometres north of Baghdad. The group met the company's Director and asked him about the company's management, the quantity and type of furnaces used in the foundry and the various types of steel ingot produced. The group inspected the foundry and mechanical workshop, made a detailed examination of tagged equipment, then inspected the steel-mould workshop and the raw materials warehouse. The visit lasted approximately 4 and a half hours, after which the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

2. A second group, consisting of three inspectors, left the Canal Hotel at 0915 hours. From vehicles, the inspectors used portable equipment to measure radioactivity in neighbouring areas of the Tarmiyah district in Baghdad. After taking measurements for approximately 2 and a half hours, the group joined the first group at the above-mentioned Sumud State Company site.

3. A third group, consisting of five inspectors, left the Nineveh Palace Hotel in Mosul at 0800 hours to inspect the Kanadi State Enterprise, an MIC subsidiary located in the Al-Sahel al-Ayssar district of the town of Mosul. It verified the quantities of HMX (an explosive), placed seals on the door of the room in which the HMX was stored and verified the quantities of RDX (another explosive). The group visited the Peji refinery to inspect the liquid nitrogen production unit, then inspected the Jazirah refinery, which is currently non-operational. The inspectors used portable equipment to measure radioactivity in the area with a view to detecting any radioactive activities and also took samples at the refinery from the soil and within the pipes. The mission lasted approximately 4 and a half hours, after which the group returned to Baghdad.

II. UNMOVIC missile inspection team

1. A first group, consisting of eight inspectors, left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 0900 hours to inspect the Rifah site belonging to the Karamah State Enterprise, an MIC affiliate, located at Amiriyah/Fallujah, 70 km west of Baghdad. The group observed the static tests carried out on the Sumud missile engine and took photographs. The mission lasted approximately 2 and a half hours, after which the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

2. At 0815 hours, a second group, consisting of 19 inspectors, took off in four helicopters from the Rashid airfield to visit the sea-launched weapons testing and production site at Rafidiyah (Basra governorate). The group inspected all the site facilities, inquired about and observed the activities carried on there, made a detailed examination of the tags placed on sea-launched missiles and inspected weapons warehouses. The mission lasted approximately 3 hours, after which the group returned to Baghdad by helicopter.

III. UNMOVIC chemical inspection team

A team consisting of seven inspectors left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 0830 hours to visit the Amiriyah warehouses of the Al-Majd Enterprise, an MIC subsidiary, in the Amiriyah district of Baghdad. The team questioned the experts about the site, its management, the materials stored there and the number of employees and engineers working there. It made a detailed examination of the declarations concerning the site and used a metal detector. The mission lasted approximately 3 hours, after which the team returned to the Canal Hotel in Baghdad.

IV. Meetings

UNMOVIC requested a meeting with an Iraqi expert, who was informed of this by the National Monitoring Directorate. The expert was present at the appointed time and place. A representative of the National Monitoring Directorate encouraged him to talk to the inspectors. The expert agreed, but insisted that one of his friends should be present at the meeting as a witness. UNMOVIC refused to allow the meeting to be held in the presence of a witness.