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LETTER DATED 25 MARCH 1972 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF PAKISTAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

1. I have the honour, under instructions of my Government, to bring to Your Excellency's notice the deteriorating situation resulting from further cease-fire violations by the Indian armed forces. My Government has lodged a strong protest with the Government of India, through the Swiss Embassy in Islamabad, against these violations, which included unprovoked firing with automatic weapons, crossing of the cease-fire line by the Indian forces and intrusion into Pakistan's air space by Indian aircraft.

2. In Jammu and Kashmir, during a period of four days, from 6 March to 9 March, as many as 20 cease-fire violations were committed by the Indian forces. In Tithwal area, an Indian platoon crossed the cease-fire line and fired at Pakistan positions with machine-guns and heavy mortars. Similar attacks occurred in Chakoti, Hajira, Mirpur and other areas.

3. Cease-fire violations were also committed by the Indians in the Rajisthan and Sulaimanki sectors. In the Kanangpur area of Sulaimanki sector, the Indians attacked Pakistan's forward positions with automatic weapons.

4. I have also been instructed by my Government to inform you of the continuing violations of Pakistan's air space by Indian aircraft. There were intrusions by Indian Air Force planes in Jammu and Kashmir on 20 February, 28 February and 10 March. On 20 February, a Vampire aircraft of the Indian Air Force penetrated seven miles inside north-east Kargil. An Indian helicopter carried out aerial reconnaisance in the Kotli area on 28 February, and a C-119 type Indian aircraft penetrated 12 miles in the Kargil area on 10 March.

5. It is requested that this letter may kindly be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) A. SHAHI Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations

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