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LETTER DATED 7 NOVEMBER 1988 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF  
THE PERMANENT MISSION 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. The enemy is continuing the flooding operation in the III Army Corps sector opposite the defensive embankments of our military units.
2. Between 0600 hours and 1410 hours on 25 October 1983, six engineering units were observed raising the northern and southern levees on the Abadan River, strengthening the old positions and building three new observation posts.
3. Between 0610 hours and 1500 hours on 25 October 1988, nine engineering units were observed transporting earth and reinforcing the roads opposite our VII Army Corps units.
4. Between 0600 hours and 1440 hours on 25 October 1988, five engineering units were observed improving the embankments, reinforcing the roads, building a sandbagged observation post, constructing a sandbagged heavy machine-gun position and extending the southern part of the enemy embankment in the VII Army Corps sector.
5. At 1030 hours on 27 October 1988, the enemy proceeded to build a new observation post in the Mehran area at a distance of 1,200 metres from our forward units in the I Special Army Corps sector.
6. On 26 October 1988, an enemy engineering unit was observed 5 kilometres from our forward units in the IV Army Corps sector. Improvements were made to the defensive position and a communications trench dug at a distance of 2 kilometres from the forward perimeter of our units in the above-mentioned sector.
7. At 1030 hours on 28 October 1988, the enemy proceeded to build three new small-scale firing positions and a shelter at hill 1550 at a distance of 3 kilometres from the forward perimeter of our units in the I Army Corps sector.

8. At 1205 hours on 28 October 1988, 10 enemy personnel were observed building a guard post on the Khadar Sharifan range at a distance of 1,300 metres from the forward perimeter of our units in the V Army Corps sector.
9. Between 0730 hours and 1340 hours on 27 October 1988, two engineering units were observed improving the road running parallel to the eastern bank of the Shatt al-Arab in the Tawijat and Zawfalah area.
10. Between 0610 hours and 1435 hours on 27 October 1988, an engineering unit was observed improving and reinforcing the roads running parallel to the Shatt al-Arab in the area of the Dawasir islands and southern Ma'yawiyah in the VII Army Corps sector.
11. Between 0730 hours and 1325 hours on 28 October 1988, four engineering units were observed reinforcing the roads running parallel to the Shatt al-Arab to the south of the Arayis River and the Karun River and reinforcing the northern and southern levees at the mouth of the Abadan River.
12. Between 0650 hours and 1420 hours on 28 October 1988, three engineering units were observed improving the roads running parallel to the Shatt al-Arab in the Dawasir islands area in the southern sector.
13. At 1125 hours on 29 October 1988, nine enemy personnel were observed building a position at a distance of 1,100 metres from the forward perimeter of our units in the V Army Corps sector.
14. Between 0720 hours and 1415 hours on 29 October 1988, two engineering units were observed improving the road running parallel to the east bank of the Shatt al-Arab in the Tawijat and Zawfalah area.
15. Between 1310 and 1405 hours on 29 October 1988, the enemy was observed erecting an infantry crossing bridge linking the two banks of the river and made up of fifteen 3 metre by 1 metre sections of cork in the mouth of the Arayis River between 50 and 75 metres from the eastern bank of the Shatt al-Arab.
16. Between 0600 hours and 1435 hours on 30 October 1988, an engineering unit was observed improving and mending the road running parallel to the eastern bank of the Shatt al-Arab at Hajj Salbukh Island and raising the embankment to the south of the Arayid River.
17. Between 0630 hours and 1530 hours on 30 October 1988, four engineering units were observed reinforcing the roads running parallel to the Shatt al-Arab north of Khosroabad and improving the embankment in the Ka'bah area.
18. At 1630 hours on 31 October 1988, an enemy Poclair excavator was observed operating in no-man's land 10 metres in front of the enemy embankment and opposite defensive embankment No. 2 in the III Army Corps sector.
19. Between 0450 hours and 1450 hours on 31 October 1988, three enemy engineering units were observed mending and improving the road at Hajj Salbukh Island and improving the levees in the southern estuary of the Abadan River.

20. Between 0600 hours and 1325 hours on 31 October 1988, four enemy engineering units were observed reinforcing and improving the roads at Dawasir Island, Ma'wiyah, Khosroabad and Ka'bah in the VII Army Corps sector.

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

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