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LETTER DATED 29 NOVEMBER 1965 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF PAKISTAN  
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have been instructed by my Government to inform you that India has been contravening the Indus Waters Treaty of 1960 by unilaterally withholding Pakistan's share of the waters of the three eastern rivers due to it under the Treaty. A copy of the protest note handed over to the Acting High Commissioner for India in Pakistan on this subject is enclosed.

2. I shall be grateful if this letter is circulated as a Security Council document.

Please accept, etc.

(Signed) Syed Amjad ALI  
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary  
Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the  
United Nations

COPY OF NOTE HANDED OVER BY THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS,  
GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN, TO THE INDIAN ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER  
IN PAKISTAN, KARACHI

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the High Commission for India in Pakistan and has the honour to state as follows:

2. The Government of Pakistan regret to point out that India has not been supplying to Pakistan its share of the waters of the three eastern rivers due under the Indus Waters Treaty - 1960.

According to paragraphs 28 and 39 of Annexure "H" to the Indus Waters Treaty - 1960, India was to deliver supplies into the Dipalpur Canal at Ferozepur from 1 April to 15 October 1965, but these were cut off unilaterally on 23 September 1965. India has also not been delivering Pakistan's due share of waters below Ferozepur since the water-accounting period 11-20 September. In particular, deliveries since 21-30 September have been grossly inadequate and far below Pakistan's share under the Treaty. It appears that at present almost all the waters of the Sutleg and Beas are being withdrawn by India.

Similarly, Pakistan has not received any supplies in the Central Bari Doab Channels from India although, according to the provisions of part I of Annexure "H" to the Treaty, India was to commence passing supplies into these channels with effect from 21 September.

3. The Government of Pakistan view with serious concern the above-mentioned contraventions of the Indus Waters Treaty - 1960 by the Government of India. The denial of due share of waters in contravention of the terms of the Treaty has caused and continues to cause serious damage to cultivation in large areas of Pakistan. Without prejudice to their right to claim compensation for the withholding of the Pakistan's share of the eastern rivers waters, the Government of Pakistan call upon the Government of India to take immediate steps to restore the deliveries from the eastern rivers to the level of Pakistan's share under the Treaty.

4. As, at present, it is not practicable to deliver supplies into the Central Bari Doab Channels at their crossings of the international boundary, the Government of Pakistan would suggest that the share of these channels may be delivered into the Ravi river itself below Madhopur. This would, however, be a temporary arrangement.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the High Commission the assurances of its highest consideration.

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