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LETTER DATED 11 OCTOBER 1955 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF PAKISTAN ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have been instructed by my Government to inform you of the following cease-fire violation by Indian forces:

On 6 October 1965, at 2100 hours one of our patrols went cut from area Rangpur Jaltan for their usual round along our mine field fencing towards the south. At about 2130 hours three mines exploded under this patrol in front of Chhani. Another patrol was sent to find out about the explosions and they discovered that the Indians had ambushed the first patrol near our mine field fencing. The second patrol was not allowed by the Indians to go to the place of the incident or to attend to the wounded personnel. As a result of this dastardly act by the Indians four Pakistani soldiers lost their lives and another four received injuries. It may be mentioned that two of our patrols had gone on the same track earlier during the day at 0930 hours and 1430 hours and had not encountered any Indian mines at the place of the ambush. This clearly shows that the Indians had ambushed our patrol intentionally in flagrant violation of the cease-fire. Furthermore, the wounded personnel were detained at the place of the incident for more than twelve hours. Subsequently, when our forces were able to visit the place of the incident and see the modus operandi of the ambush, it was quite evident that the Indians had laid mines and trip wire across the usual path of our patrol.

On the intervention of United Nations Observers, the Indian local Commander promised to take the following action to ease the tension which was created by this incident:

(a) To remove mines from the track;

(b) To allow our patrols to carry out unhampered patrolling of the area along the mine-field fencing; and

(c) To return the arms, ammunition and equipment removed from our personnel who were killed or wounded.

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The Fakistan Army authorities have, in informing this violation to the United Mations Observers, expressed the hope that the Indians will honour their commitments in order to maintain peaceful conditions in this area.

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

Please accept, etc.

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