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LETTER DATED 1 FEBRUARY 1989 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO
THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to enclose herewith copies of five notes verbales from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington, D.C. addressed to the Embassy of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria concerning violations of international law by the United States fleet stationed in the Persian Gulf and the Sea of Oman.

It would be appreciated if this letter and its annexes were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Mahmoud Sadat MADARSHAHI
Ambassador
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

Annex I

Note verbale dated 21 October 1988 from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington, P.C. addressed to the Embassy of Algeria in Washington, P.C.

The Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington, D.C. presents its compliments to the Embassy of the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria and has the honour to quote the attached messages in two copies, the original text and an unofficial translation, received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran. It is respectfully requested that the original text of the messages be transmitted to the United States Department of State and our office be informed of their response.

The Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington, D.C. avails itself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of its highest consideration to the Embassy of the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria.

According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, United States warships by violating the principles of all international laws have aggressed upon the sovereignty of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and have also created a nuisance for Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft which were flying over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the following dates and at the specified times:

- 1. On 12 May 1988, at 0900 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2624 and E 5613 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2640 and E 5610 which was flying over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 2. On 12 May 1988, at 1057 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2602 and E 5644 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2617 and E 5708 which was flying over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 3. On 12 May 1988, at 1157 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2440 and E 5934 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2512 and E 5931, not to get closer to the warship.
- 4. On 20 May 1988, at 1330 hours, two United States F-14 aircraft aggressed into the airspace of the internal waters of the Islamic Republic of Iran and, at the position of N 2532 and E 5827, created static interference over the Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft's radio contact transmission system.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests such illegal actions by the Government of the United States and insistently demands that these actions, which are against the sovereignty of the Islamic Republic of Iran, be ended at once.

Chasing of aircraft

- 1. On 27 May 1988, at 1148 hours, a United States F-14 aircraft No. 105 at the position of N 2516 and E 5916 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 26 minutes.
- 2. On 28 May 1988, at 1145 hours, two United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2548 and E 5858 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 20 minutes.
- 3. On 29 May 1988, at 1055 hours, three United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2520 and E 6005 aggressed into the airspace of the Islamic Republic of Iran and chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft for a period of 30 minutes.
- 4. On 30 May 1988, two United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2530 and E 5820 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

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- 5. On 31 May 1988, at 0910 hours, two United States F-14 aircraft, No. 203 and No. 102, at the position of N 2515 and E 5958 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 35 minutes.
- 6. On 1 June 1988, at 1610 hours, a United States Alpha-7 aircraft at the position of N 2515 and E 5933 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 20 minutes.
- 7. On 2 June 1988, at 1005 hours, four United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2515 and E 6015 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 40 minutes.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests such unexplainable actions of United States aircraft and warships which are against the sovereignty of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and insistently demands that these actions be ended at once.

Annex II

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According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, United States warships positioned in the Persian Gulf and the Sea of Oman have created a nuisance for Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft on the dates specified and at the times stated, as follows:

A. Warnings by United States warships

- 1. On 9 May 1988, at 1211 hours, a United States warship warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2509 and E 5936, not to get closer to the warship.
- 2. On 9 May 1988, at 1425 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2556 and E 5643 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2534 and E 5721 not to get closer to the warship, and to change its course.
- 3. On 17 May 1988, at 1600 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2510 and E 5702 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2526 and E 5729, not to get closer to the warship.

B. Chasing of aircraft

- On 16 April 1988, at 0902 hours, a United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2450 and E 5810 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft for a period of 28 minutes.
- 2. On 17 May 1988, at 1455 hours, a United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2514 and E 5747 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft for a period of 15 minutes.
- 3. On 19 May 1988, at 1530 hours, a United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2525 and E 5751 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft for a period of 15 minutes.
- 4. On 20 May 1988 at 1317 hours, a United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2501 and E 5757 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft for a period of 8 minutes.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran strongly protests such illegal actions by the Government of the United States.

Annex III

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According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, United States warships and aircraft, in violation of the principles of all international law, have aggressed upon the sovereignty of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and have created a nuisance for Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft which were in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the dates and times specified, as follows:

Warnings by United States warships

- 1. On 28 May 1988, at 1034 hours, United States warship No. 996 at the position of N 2540 and E 5645 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2548 and E 5658, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 2. On 29 May 1988, at 1145 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2510 and E 5650 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2530 and E 5750, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 3. On 30 May 1988, at 1534 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2526 and E 5701 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2614 and E 5703, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 4. On 1 June 1988, at 0845 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2535 and E 5647 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2620 and E 5656, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 5. On 2 June 1988, at 0907 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2545 and E 5635 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2622 and E 5710, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 6. On 2 June 1988, at 1510 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2552 and E 5528 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2630 and E 5545, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.

Annex IV

Note verbale dated 26 October 1988 from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Washington, D.C. addressed to the Embassy of Algeria in Washington, D.C.

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According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, United States warships and aircraft, by violating the principles of all international law and aggressing upon the sovereignty of the Islamic Republic of Iran, have created a nuisance for Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft which were flying over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the specified dates and at the hours stated as follows:

A. Warnings by the United States fleet

- 1. On 4 June 1988, at 0945 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2542 and E 5631 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2548 and E 5750, which was in flight over the airspace of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 2. On 25 June 1988, at 1606 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2525 and E 5700 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2553 and E 5705, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, to change its course from 230 degrees to 90 degrees and not to get closer to the warship.
- 3. On 26 June 1988, at 1127 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2515 and E 5700 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2546 and E 5713, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 4. On 26 June 1988, at 1305 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2615 and E 5643 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2554 and E 5710, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
- 5. On 26 June 1988, at 1500 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2632 and E 5624 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2644 and E 5618, which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.

B. Chasing by United States aircraft

- 1. On 12 June 1988 at 1640 hours, a United States F-14 aircraft No. 51-205 at the position of N 2516 and E 5909 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 55 minutes.
- 2. On 13 June 1988, at 1125 hours, a United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2512 and E 5931 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2512 and E 5931.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests these unjustifiable aggressions by United States warships and aircraft and insistently demands that these actions, which are contrary to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic Republic of Iran, come to an end.

Annex V

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According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, United States aircraft by violating the principles of international law have aggressed into the airspace of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the following dates and specified times:

- 1. On 2 July 1988, at 1555 hours, a United States aircraft at an altitude of 15,000 feet and at a speed of 420 miles per hour from Jask through Kenarak have aggressed into the airspace of the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran.
- 2. On 5 July 1988, at 1220 hours, four United States aircraft at an altitude of 27,000 feet and at a speed of 420 miles per hour in the vicinity of Jask, to the east of the Strait of Hormuz region and Abu-Musa Island, have aggressed into the airspace of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests these actions taken by United States aircraft, which are nothing except strictly open aggressions against the sovereignty of an independent State. Evidently, the Government of the United States will be held fully accountable for the repetition of actions as such.

