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LETTER DATED 8 FEBRUARY 1989 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED  
TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to enclose herewith copies of four notes verbales from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran at Washington, D.C., addressed to the Embassy of Algeria, concerning violations by the United States fleet stationed in the Persian Gulf and the Sea of Oman.

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

(Signed) Mohammad Ja'afar MAHALATI  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

Annex I

Note dated 31 October 1988 from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran addressed to the Embassy of Algeria at Washington, D.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 original text of the messages be transmitted to the United States Department of State and our office be informed of its response.

Enclosure

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 international law, have aggressed upon the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic Republic of Iran and also have been creating a nuisance for the Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft which were in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the dates and at the times specified as follows:

A. Warnings by the United States fleet

1. On 1 July 1988 at 1022 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2615 and E 5600 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2628 and E 5530 and which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
2. On 3 July 1988 at 0946 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2615 and E 5605 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2634 and E 5559, and which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship, and to change its course immediately towards 270 degrees.
3. On 3 July 1988 at 1020 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2630 and E 5610 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2625 and E 5455 and which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer than 50 miles from the warship and to change its course towards 360 degrees.

B. Chasing by United States aircraft

1. On 1 July 1988 at 1421 hours, a United States aircraft at the position of N 2523 and E 5759 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 11 minutes.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests these unjustifiable actions taken by United States warships and aircraft and insistingly demands that these actions, which are contrary to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic Republic of Iran, be stopped.

Annex II

Note dated 3 November 1988 from the Interests Section of the Islamic Republic of Iran addressed to the Embassy of Algeria at 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 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 at the times specified as follows:

A. Warnings by the United States fleet

1. On 10 July 1988 at 1651 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2524 and E 5703 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2537 and E 5712 and which was in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not to get closer to the warship.
2. On 10 July 1988 at 1800 hours, a United States warship at the position of N 2536 and E 5653 warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2536 and E 5715 and 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 9 July 1988 at 1230 hours, a United States F-14 aircraft No. 206 at the position of N 2520 and E 5828 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 20 minutes.
2. On 10 July 1988 at 1715 hours, two United States F-14 aircraft at the position of N 2527 and E 5802 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 17 minutes.
3. On 10 July 1988 at 1735 hours, two United States aircraft at the position of N 2523 and E 5840 chased an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran for a period of 10 minutes.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests these unjustifiable aggressions taken by United States warships and aircraft and insistingly demands that these actions, which are contrary to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic Republic of Iran, be stopped.

Annex III

Note dated 24 January 1989 from the Interests Section  
of the Islamic Republic of Iran addressed to the  
Embassy of Algeria at Washington, D.C.

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Enclosure

According to information received from officials of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, United States warships positioned in the Sea of Oman have created a nuisance for and/or chased Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft on the following dates at the hours specified:

A. Warnings by the United States fleet

1. On 3 August 1988 at 0820 hours, a United States warship from a distance of 45 miles away, at the position of N 2526 and E 5712, warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2607 and E 5653, not to get closer to the warship.
2. On 8 August 1988 at 1523 hours, a United States warship from a distance of 35 miles away, at the position of N 2515 and E 5704, warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2550 and E 5701, not to get closer to the warship and to change its course towards 90 degrees.
3. On 9 August 1988 at 0825 hours, a United States warship from a distance of 42 miles away, at the position of N 2448 and E 5810, warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2522 and E 5740, not to get closer to the warship and to change its course.
4. On 11 August 1988 at 0955 hours, a United States warship from a distance of 25 miles away, at the position of N 2540 and E 5640, warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2550 and E 5700, not to get closer to the warship.
5. On 12 August 1988 at 1015 hours, a United States warship from distances of 50, 40 and 30 miles away, at the position of N 2527 and E 5640, warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2630 and E 5648, not to get closer to the warship.

B. Chasing by United States aircraft

1. On 4 August 1988 at 1540 hours, a United States aircraft No. 104, at the position of N 2457 and E 5747, intercepted an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft for a period of 18 minutes.
2. On 9 August 1988 at 1000 hours, a United States aircraft, at the position of N 2505 and E 5833, intercepted an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft from a one-mile lateral distance.

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

Annex IV

Note dated 24 January 1989 from the Interests Section  
of the Islamic Republic of Iran addressed to the  
Embassy of Algeria at Washington, D.C.

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Enclosure

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 law, have aggressed upon the sovereignty of the Islamic Republic of Iran and have created nuisances for the Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft which were in flight over the territorial sea of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the following dates at the hours specified:

1. On 4 August 1988 at 1515 hours, a United States warship at a distance of 36 miles away, at the position of N 2521 and E 5658, warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2557 and E 5701, not to get closer to the warship and at a distance of 17 miles away notified the aircraft to change its course towards 100 degrees.
2. On 11 August 1988 at 0827 hours, a United States warship from a distance of 21 miles away, at the position of N 2620 and E 5320, warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2630 and E 5340, not to get closer to the warship.
3. On 13 August 1988 at 1044 hours, a United States warship from distances of 50 and 40 miles away, at the position of N 2532 and E 5641, warned the pilot of an Iranian sea-patrolling aircraft, whose position was N 2620 and E 5650, not to get closer to the warship.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran protests these unjustifiable actions by the United States warships and insistingly demands that actions as such, which are contrary to the sovereignty of the Islamic Republic of Iran, be stopped at once.

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