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Addendum

1. In my last report on the observance of the cease-fire (S/6710/Add.16 of 15 January 1966), I indicated that since the end of December 1965 there had been a general relaxation of tension along the front line and a marked decrease in the number of incidents. Information received from Observers since the last report indicates that the situation has further improved in all sectors.

2. During the period under review, only one incident involving a breach of the cease-fire was confirmed by Observers. This incident took place in the Lahore-Khasa sector during the night of 25-26 January 1966. At 2330 hours (local time) on 25 January, Indian troops attempted to evacuate two burnt-out Pakistan tanks from their forward defended localities two miles north of Bhasin. The Pakistan command requested Observers to have this action stopped, and the Indian command agreed to do so at 0010 hours on 26 January. However, Pakistan troops fired three mortar bombs and small arms into the area at 0015 hours on 26 January because, according to them, the requested action had not been stopped. Observers reported that following the incident, agreement had been obtained from the Indian Chief of Army Staff that the tanks would not be evacuated.

3. Since my last report, I have received from the Observers the results of their investigations regarding a number of complaints submitted to the Secretary-General at Headquarters by the Permanent Representatives of India and Pakistan. These complaints, which were reproduced in documents S/7009, 7018, 7033, 7070, 7079 and 7080, relate to events said to have taken place between 4 and 22 December 1965. The results of the Observers' investigations are set forth in the annex to this report.

ANNEX

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION BY OBSERVERS OF COMPLAINTS SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AT HEADQUARTERS BY THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN

Skardu-Kargil and Domel-Tangdhar sectors

Investigation of the Indian complaints in S/7009, paragraph 4, and in S/7033, paragraphs 2 and 6, was inconclusive for lack of evidence.

The Indian complaints in S/7009, paragraph 5 (a) and (c), in S/7018, paragraph 3, and in S/7033, paragraphs 1, 4 and 5, involve no violations of the cease-fire.

The Indian complaint in S/7033, paragraph 3, refers to a case already investigated and confirmed (see S/6710/Add.15, paragraph 7).

Rawalakot-Uri and Rawalakot-Punch sectors

Investigation of the Indian complaints in S/7009, paragraph 10, in S/7018, paragraph 5, and in S/7033, paragraphs 11, 12, 14 and 15, was inconclusive for lack of evidence.

The Indian complaints in S/7009, paragraphs 6, 8, 12 and 13, in S/7018, paragraphs 4, 6, 7, 9 and 10, and in S/7033, paragraph 13, involve no violations of the cease-fire.

The Indian complaint in S/7033, paragraph 8, refers to a case already investigated and confirmed (see S/6710/Add.14, paragraph 11).

Kotli-Galuthi sector

The following Indian complaints refer to cases already investigated and confirmed:

(a) The complaint in S/7009, paragraph 14: see S/6710/Add.12, paragraph 15 (c);

(b) The complaint in S/7009, paragraph 16: see S/6710/Add.12, paragraph 15 (d);

(c) The complaints in S/7009, paragraph 17 (b) and (c): see S/6710/Add.12, paragraph 16 (c);

(d) The complaint in S/7018, paragraph 15: see S/6710/Add.12, paragraph 16 (d).

The Indian complaints in S/7033, paragraphs 16, 17 and 22, refer to cases already reported. Observers indicated that both sides had fired and that it was not possible to determine which side had fired first (see S/6710/Add.12, paragraph 14 (v)).

The Indian complaint in S/7009, paragraph 15, was confirmed.

Investigation of the Indian complaints in S/7009, paragraph 17 (d), and in S/7033, paragraphs 18-20, was inconclusive for lack of evidence.

Kotli-Naushera sector

The Indian complaints in S/7009, paragraph 19, refer to cases already investigated and confirmed (see S/6710/Add.12, paragraph 20 (b)).

The Indian complaint in S/7009, paragraph 18, refers to a case already investigated. Observers reported that in the incident mentioned Indian troops had started the firing and that Pakistan troops had retaliated by returning the fire (see S/6710/Add.12, paragraph 19).

Investigation of the Indian complaint in S/7033, paragraph 24, was inconclusive for lack of evidence.

Bhimber-Akhnur sector

Investigation of the Indian complaints in S/7009, paragraphs 22, 26 and 28, in S/7018, paragraphs 21 and 24, and in S/7033, paragraphs 27 and 31-33, was inconclusive for lack of evidence.

The Indian complaints in S/7009, paragraphs 21, 25 and 27, in S/7018, paragraphs 18-20, 22 and 23, and in S/7033, paragraphs 26 and 28-30, involve no violations of the cease-fire.

Sialkot-Jammu sector

Investigation of the Indian complaint in S/7009, paragraph 30, was inconclusive for lack of evidence.

The Indian complaints in S/7009, paragraph 29, in S/7018, paragraph 25, and in S/7033, paragraph 34, involve no violations of the cease-fire.

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Pasrur-Khasa sector

Investigation of the Pakistan complaint in S/7079, paragraph 54, was inconclusive. Both sides had fired, but Observers could not determine which side had fired first.

Lahore-Khasa-Narla sector

The activities alleged in the Indian complaints in S/7070, paragraphs 37, 40 and 41 (a) and (b), took place within the known Pakistan forward defended localities (FDL's) and therefore are not considered as violations of the cease-fire.

Observers found no material evidence to support the Indian complaints in S/7070, paragraphs 38, 39 (a), (b) and (c), and the Pakistan complaints in S/7079, paragraphs 8, 9, 11, 12, 26, 27, 31-33 and 37-39.

Regarding the Indian complaints in S/7070, paragraphs 39 (d), 42 and 43, and the Pakistan complaints in S/7079, paragraphs 10, 14, 15, 17, 20 and 21, Observers reported that both sides had fired, but that they could not determine which side had fired first.

The Indian complaint in S/7070, paragraph 44, and the Pakistan complaint in S/7079, paragraph 22, were confirmed.

Rukhanwala-Narla-Bopa Rai-Ferozepore sector

The activities alleged in the Indian complaint in S/7070, paragraph 41 (c), took place within the known Pakistan FDL's.

Regarding the Indian complaints in S/7070, paragraphs 45, 46 (a), (b), (d), (e) and (f) and 47, and the Pakistan complaint in S/7079, paragraph 28, Observers reported that both sides had fired, but that they could not determine which side had fired first.

Observers could find no material evidence to support the Pakistan complaints in S/7079, paragraphs 19, 24, 44, 46, 47 and 56.

The Pakistan complaint in S/7079, paragraph 29, was confirmed. Observers found that Indian troops had dug new trenches forward of their FDL's. On their intervention, the Indian local commander agreed to fill in those trenches.

The Pakistan complaints in S/7079, paragraphs 34 and 41, were also confirmed.

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Sulaimanke-Fazilka sector

Observers found no material evidence to support the Indian complaints in S/7070, paragraphs 46 (c) and (g) and 48, and the Pakistan complaints in S/7079, paragraphs 2-7, 13, 40, 65 and 66.

The activities alleged in the Pakistan complaints in S/7079, paragraphs 1, 16 and 30, took place within the known Indian FDL's.

Regarding the Pakistan complaints in S/7079, paragraphs 18, 52 and 58, investigation revealed that both sides had fired, but Observers could not determine which side had fired first.

Investigation of the Pakistan complaint in S/7079, paragraph 23, indicated that the incident arose out of an attempt of Indian civilians to harvest cotton forward of the Indian FDL's. Observers advised the Indian local commander not to allow civilians to move forward.

Regarding the Pakistan complaint in S/7079, paragraph 63, Observers who visited the area shortly after the alleged incident saw a wounded Pakistan soldier, but they were unable to ascertain how or by whom he had been wounded.

Rahim Yar Khan-Ramgarh sector

Observers found no material evidence to support the Indian complaint in S/7070, paragraph 49.

Khokhropar-Gadra sector

Observers found no material evidence to support the Pakistan complaints in S/7079, paragraphs 35, 36, 42, 43, 45, 48-51, 53, 55 and 59, and in S/7080, paragraphs 1-4 and 6.

Investigation of the Pakistan complaints in S/7079, paragraphs 57, 60-62 and 64, was inconclusive. Both sides had fired, but Observers could not determine which side had fired first.

Regarding the Pakistan complaint in S/7080, paragraph 5, Observers saw two Vampire aircraft flying over Pakistan positions at the place and time indicated, but they could not ascertain the nationality of the aircraft.
