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On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that the Iranian armed forces have committed the following violations of the cease-fire provisions:

- 1. The Iranian side is continuing its flooding operation opposite our III Army Corps units and opposite the defensive positions of our military units. Water levels as of 1600 hours on 21 March 1989 were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 118-195 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 37-170 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 12-60 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 15-120 centimetres.
- 2. At 1630 hours and 1730 hours on 21 March 1989, the Iranian side directed a field broadcast at Brigade 508 of the III Army Corps. The broadcast included a song and a personal attack on the President of the Republic.
- 3. At 0950 hours on 21 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a roller, a grader and 7 dump trucks was observed improving a road at co-ordinates 483468, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 4. As of 1600 hours on 22 March 1989, water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 120-195 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 60-169 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 20-59 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.
- 5. At 1130 hours on 22 March 1989, the Iranian side constructed a new position, manned by a guard carrying out observation duties, on hill No. 2013 at co-ordinates 897282, at a distance of 2 kilometres from the forward positions of our I Army Corps.

- 6. Between 0800 hours and 1120 hours on 22 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, three bulldozers, a grader, 13 dump trucks and a water truck was observed strengthening and improving the roads and moving earth at co-ordinates 342583, 368596, 299661 and 276693, at a distance of 700 to 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 7. Between 1035 hours and 1045 hours on 22 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and 16 dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads running parallel to the Shatt al-Arab at co-ordinates 544279 and 539293, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 8. Between 0800 hours and 0845 hours on 22 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a roller and 14 dump trucks was observed repairing the roads at co-ordinates 656159 and 550233, at a distance of 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 9. At 0955 hours on 23 March 1989, a group of Iranian armed forces personnel estimated at 60 in number was observed with a 106-millimetre gun opposite the Hajj Umran lake at co-ordinates C757, at a distance of 2,700 metres from the forward perimeter of our V Army Corps units.
- 10. As of 1600 hours on 23 March 1989, water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 120-195 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 60-171 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 20-59 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912024, 10-120 centimetres.
- 11. Between 0735 hours and 0950 hours on 23 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, two bulldozers, a roller, 11 dump trucks and a water truck was observed strengthening and improving the earth barrage and the roads at co-ordinates 359567 and 299665, at a distance of 700 to 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 12. On 23 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three excavators and seven dump trucks was observed building a curve at co-ordinates 4550, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 13. Between 0815 hours and 1105 hours on 23 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, five bulldozers, a roller and 26 dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 438525, 493459, 538296 and 496374, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 14. Between 1500 hours on 22 March 1989 and 0750 hours on 23 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two bulldozers, a roller, two graders and 14 dump trucks was observed levelling and strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 646159 and 548222, at a distance of 800 to 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

- 15. At 0730 hours on 24 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and five dump trucks was observed strengthening and improving the roads at co-ordinates 354595, at a distance of 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 16. Between 0850 hours and 1015 hours on 24 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of four excavators, three bulldozers, a roller, three graders and 46 dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 493459, 502541, 69484, 520315, 485349 and 495373, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 17. Between 0650 hours and 0800 hours on 24 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers, two rollers, a grader and 19 dump trucks was observed repairing the roads at co-ordinates 549222, 640160, 650158 and 607173, at a distance of 800 to 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 18. As of 1600 hours on 24 March 1989, water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 119-195 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 15-170 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 10-59 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.
- 19. At 1000 hours on 24 March 1989, the Iranian side constructed a new observation post at the foot of hill No. 407 at co-ordinates 168758, at a distance of 2 kilometres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
- 20. At 1800 hours on 24 March 1989, an Iranian tank was observed to move from co-ordinates 252712 to co-ordinates 253712, where it stopped, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 21. Between 1035 hours and 1040 hours on 25 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two bulldozers, a grader, 10 dump trucks and a Land Cruiser vehicle was observed strengthening and improving the roads running parallel to the Shatt al-Arab at co-ordinates 486464 and 462491, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 22. Between 0720 hours and 0910 hours on 25 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers, a roller, a Poclain backhoe, a grader and seven dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 548222 and 651161, at a distance of 800 to 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 23. On 25 March 1989, an engineering unit was observed digging a ditch, 50 metres in length, parallel to the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 593184, at a distance of 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 24. At 0915 hours on 26 March 1989, an engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed strengthening and

improving a road at co-ordinates 299661, at a distance of 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

- 25. The Iranian side constructed a new tower, to a height of 8 metres, at co-ordinates 946812, at a distance of 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our III Army Corps units.
- 26. As of 1600 hours on 26 March 1989, water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 120-195 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 15-135 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 9-60 centimetres; between co-ordinates 902287 and 912054, 15-120 centimetres.
- 27. At 1600 hours on 26 March 1989, the Iranian side constructed a new observation post on the first Iranian embankment, at a distance of 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our III Army Corps units.
- 28. At 0730 hours on 26 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed improving a road at co-ordinates 299655, at a distance of 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 29. Between 1000 hours and 1025 hours on 26 March 1989, an engineering unit consisting of three excavators, a bulldozer, a grader and 23 dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 487340, 527303 and 465487, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 30. Between 0630 hours and 1000 hours on 26 March 1989, an engineering unit consisting of two excavators, two bulldozers, a roller, a Poclain backhoe, a grader and 31 dump trucks was observed repairing and improving the roads at co-ordinates 548222 and 639162, at a distance of 800 to 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 31. As of 1600 hours on 27 March 1989, water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 120-195 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 10-170 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 5-59 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.
- 32. The Iranian side built a firing position at co-ordinates 152793, at a distance of 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
- 33. At 1950 hours on 27 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and three dump trucks was observed strengthening and improving a road at co-ordinates 99654, at a distance of 950 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

- 34. At 0940 hours on 27 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a grader and seven dump trucks was observed strengthening a road at co-ordinates 482468, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 35. The Iranian side constructed an embankment, 1,500 metres in length, at co-ordinates 603172, at a distance of 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 36. As of 1600 hours on 28 March 1989, water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 121-195 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 12-155 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 1-59 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 15-120 centimetres.
- 37. At 1100 hours on 28 March 1989, four Iranian forces personnel were observed digging a communications trench on hill No. 535 at co-ordinates 143805, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
- 38. At 1120 hours on 28 March 1989, five Iranian forces personnel were observed digging a guard post on hill No. 535 at co-ordinates 142807, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
- 39. At 0730 hours on 28 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and three dump trucks was observed improving an earth barrage at co-ordinates 299661, at a distance of 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 40. At 0940 hours on 28 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two rollers, two graders and 12 dump trucks was observed strengthening a road at co-ordinates 498451, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
- 41. At 0830 hours on 29 March 1989, 23 Iranian forces personnel were observed at the foot of hill No. 535, digging a communications trench at co-ordinates 148805, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
- 42. At 1000 hours on 29 March 1989, 12 Iranian forces personnel were observed on hill No. 535, constructing a guard post at co-ordinates 148806, at a distance of 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
- 43. On 29 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and a dump truck was observed raising the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 925963, at a distance of 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our III Army Corps units.
- 44. On 29 March 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a grader and two dump trucks was observed building a new Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 996737, at a distance of 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our III Army Corps units.

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45. On 29 March 1989, water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 119-185 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 10-169 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 5-59 centimetres; between co-ordinates 969287 and 912054, 15-120 centimetres.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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