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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE UNITED
NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government and pursuant to my letter dated 31 March 1989 (S/20550), I have the honour to inform you of further cease-fire violations by Iraqi forces. The numerical sequence of these violations follows the sequence in the said letter.

1295. From 0715 to 1330 hours on 7 March 1989, Iraqi forces were levelling the area at the geographic coordinates of NC 507-505 on the map of Sumar with 12 bulldozers and 5 loaders. After a one-hour interval, the process continued until 1745 hours on the same day. The engineering activities on Height 402 were also continuing.

1296. At 0835 hours on 7 March 1989, Iraqi forces conducted provocative manoeuvres by artillery fire, flare bullets and automatic gunfire and by spreading red smoke behind the cease-fire line at the geographic coordinates of TQ 31600-16500 on the map of Hoseinieh.

1297. From 0930 to 1400 hours on 7 March 1989, four Iraqi personnel were constructing observation barricades at the geographic coordinates of NC 453-570 on the map of Sumar.

1298. At 1020 hours on 7 March 1989, four Iraqi personnel were constructing barricades at the geographic coordinates of NC 401-581 on the map of Sumar.

1299. At 0840 hours on 7 March 1989, an IFA vehicle unloaded ammunitions at the geographic coordinates of QV 326-866 on the map of Haddadieh Hills.

1300. On 7 March 1989, an offensive barricade was built with a Dushka unit stationed therein at the geographic coordinates of QA 89-36 on the map of Kuh-Tapeh.

1301. At 1000 hours on 8 March 1989, a crane was being used in building barricades at the geographic coordinates of QV 328-810 on the map of Haddadieh Hills.

1302. At 1115 hours on 8 March 1989, the Iraqis brought in 90 more personnel in two IFA vehicles reinforcing their forces behind the Hamrin Heights at the geographic coordinates of QA 89-36 on the map of Einkhosh.

1303. At 1600 hours on 8 March 1989, an IFA vehicle transported 20 traverses from the geographic coordinates of NC 491-563 on the map of Sumar to the geographic coordinates of NC 404-559 on the same map and returned to the geographic coordinates of NC 512-552 on the same map.

1304. At 2100 hours on 8 March 1989, Iraqi forces fired cannon and mortar shells at the Iranian units in the Shalamcheh and Zeid regions, which continued until 2300 hours on the same day.

1305. On 10 March 1989, the Iraqis fired an RPG-7 missile at the geographic coordinates of TP 683-288 on the map of Khorramshahr, which exploded in the air over the Iranian units.

1306. On 10 March 1989, three mortar shells were fired at Iranian units at the geographic coordinates of TP 671-294 on the map of Khorramshahr.

1307. On 10 March 1989, three 60mm mortar shells were fired at the geographic coordinates of TP 635-297 on the map of Khorramshahr.

1308. At 0730 hours on 11 March 1989, an Iraqi loader was levelling Height 402 at the geographic coordinates of NC 507-505 on the map of Sumar. Two IFA vehicles and two Toyota trucks were also seen at the site.

1309. At 1600 hours on 11 March 1989, an Iraqi grader, guided by a commander's jeep, was clearing the road in the vicinity of the geographic coordinates of NC 462-563 and NC 455-573 on the map of Sumar.

1310. On 12 March 1989, some Iraqi personnel were digging canals at the geographic coordinates of NE 882-407 on the map of Marut.

1311. At 0730 hours on 12 March 1989, three Iraqi personnel were digging canals at the geographic coordinates of QA 54-55 on the map of Yebeis.

1312. From 0730 to 1320 hours on 12 March 1989, 25 bulldozers and loaders were levelling Hill 402.

1313. At 0935 hours on 12 March 1989, five Iraqis were installing barbed wire at the geographic coordinates of QA 52-52 on the map of Yebeis.

1314. At 2000 hours on 12 March 1989, an Iraqi helicopter was patrolling the area at the geographic coordinates of QV 25-74 on the map of Haddadieh Hills.

1315. On 13 March 1989, the Iraqis were heavily engaged in engineering activities with 15 pieces of heavy machinery at the fortress in front of the front line in the Kushk area at the geographic coordinates of TQ 3200 1700 and TQ 3200-1800 on the map of Hoseinieh.

1316. On 13 March 1989, the Iraqis manoeuvred with two tanks at the geographic coordinates of TQ 3200-1600 on the map of Hoseinieh.

1317. On 13 March 1989, a total of 10 shells were fired at the geographic coordinates of TP 658-312, TP 658-298 and TP 66-30 on the map of Khorramshahr.

1318. On 13 March 1989, a sand-bag barricade was being built at the geographic coordinates of TP 172-599 on the map of Nahr-e-Alishir.

1319. On 13 March 1989, the Iraqis fired four 60mm and four 120mm mortar shells from the geographic coordinates of TP 32-61 and TP 30-68 on the map of Khur Salj and TP 33-59 on the map of Khosrow-Abad.

1320. According to the United Nations Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group (UNIIMOG), Iraqi forces opened automatic gunfire at 2045 hours on 13 March 1989, in Adab Canal area, followed by artillery and mortar shells 10 minutes later. Shellings in the Khorramshahr, Abul-Khasib and Tanum areas continued until 0420 hours on the following day.

1321. According to UNIIMOG, on 21 March 1989, Iraqi forces were still continuing their engineering activities on Height 402 in Sumar, intending to construct outposts and fortifications.

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

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