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IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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

1. Between 0855 and 1010 hours on 29 March 1989, an engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, two rollers, a grader and 29 dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 495455, 512385, 498374 and 489341, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
2. Between 0700 and 0800 hours on 29 March, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers and 11 dump trucks was observed mending roads at co-ordinates 550217, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
3. The Iranian side is continuing its flooding operation opposite our III Army Corps units and the defensive positions of our military units. As of 1600 hours on 30 March, the flood-water levels were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 116-190 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865 and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 20-170 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 5-60 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909687 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.
4. An Iranian engineering unit consisting of a Poclair excavator was observed digging water drainage opening in the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 928316, 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
5. Between 0710 and 1630 hours on 30 March, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a grader and seven dump trucks was observed raising the embankment and improving roads at co-ordinates 275695, 238719 and 300652, between 700 and 950 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
6. At 0840 hours on 30 March, 23 Iranian forces personnel were observed inside their positions on hill 535 digging a communications trench at co-ordinates 144805, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.

7. Between 0810 and 1540 hours on 30 March, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, three bulldozers and 27 dump trucks was observed transporting earth and improving roads at co-ordinates 230722, 238722 and 300649, between 700 and 950 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
8. The Iranian side installed a machine gun at co-ordinates 304623, 650 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
9. Between 0830 and 1850 hours on 30 March, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, two rollers, a grader and 16 dump trucks was observed strengthening roads at co-ordinates 465496 and 497376, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
10. At 0750 hours on 30 March, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of 10 rollers, a grader and five dump trucks was observed at co-ordinates 549220, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
11. At 0400 hours on 31 March, a new observation post was set up on the far bank of the Kanjan river at co-ordinates 165758, 600 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
12. As of 1600 hours on 31 March, water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 119-190 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 20-118 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 5-60 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.
13. At 1255 hours on 31 March, the Iranian side fired a rocket from the direction of Imamzaveh, at co-ordinates 1262. The rocket landed behind defensive position No. 18, at co-ordinates 074627, in the I Special Army Corps sector.
14. At 0730 hours on 31 March, the Iranian side placed two armed soldiers on the Kanjan barrage at co-ordinates 162756, 400 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
15. At 1745 hours on 31 March, the Iranian side constructed a sandbagged position at co-ordinates 303626 on which was placed a single-phase machine gun, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our units on the other bank of the Shatt al-Arab.
16. At 1600 hours on 1 April, the Iranian side constructed a sandbagged position at co-ordinates 308595, 600 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
17. At 1145 hours on 31 March, an engineering unit consisting of seven dump trucks and a water tanker was observed strengthening the road at co-ordinates 396373, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

18. At 0635 hours on 31 March, an engineering unit consisting of four excavators, a bulldozer, two rollers, a grader and seven dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads between co-ordinates 548210 and 548222, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
19. At 1015 hours on 1 April, four Iranian forces personnel were observed on hill 570 digging a firing position at co-ordinates 143813, 1,400 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
20. The Iranian side installed three new shelters at co-ordinates 924865, 923867 and 922868, between 600 and 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our III Army Corps units.
21. At 1330 hours on 1 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of five dump trucks and two bulldozers was observed at co-ordinates 998744 building an earth road 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our III Army Corps units.
22. As of 1600 hours on 1 April, the water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 120-190 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915860, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 20-170 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 5-60 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.
23. At 1200 hours on 1 April, a group of Iranian forces personnel estimated at four in number was observed approaching the spring at co-ordinates 812745, 500 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Army Corps units.
24. At 1500 hours on 1 April, the Iranian side constructed an observation post on hill 535 at co-ordinates 146805, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps defensive positions.
25. Between 0950 and 1330 hours on 1 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and eight dump trucks was observed transporting earth and improving the roads at co-ordinates 300648 and 234719, between 700 and 950 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
26. Between 1050 and 1145 hours on 1 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a grader and 16 dump trucks was observed transporting earth and strengthening the road at co-ordinates 512385 and 533302, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
27. At 0845 hours on 1 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a roller and six dump trucks was observed improving the roads at co-ordinates 549218, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
28. As of 1600 hours on 2 April, the water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 120-190 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and

defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 30-150 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 12-60 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.

29. At 1120 hours on 2 April, five Iranian forces personnel were observed building a guard post to the east of Mansurabad at co-ordinates 101632, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.

30. Between 0745 and 0950 hours on 2 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and eight dump trucks was observed transporting earth and improving the roads at co-ordinates 238722 and 301648, between 800 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

31. Between 0915 and 1115 hours on 2 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers, a grader and 19 dump trucks was observed improving the roads at co-ordinates 441523, 368483 and 533302, 750 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

32. On 3 April, the water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 120-185 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 15-173 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 3-59 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.

33. At 1030 hours on 3 April, 12 Iranian forces personnel were observed opening a communications trench on hill 535 at co-ordinates 144805, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.

34. Between 0730 and 1230 hours on 3 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three excavators and nine dump trucks was observed transporting earth and demolishing the old embankments at co-ordinates 238722, 300648 and 239723, 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

35. Between 0920 and 1030 hours on 3 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers, a grader and 15 dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 489458 and 537296, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

36. At 0730 hours on 3 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a roller, a grader and 6 dump trucks was observed levelling the road at co-ordinates 548221, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

37. On 4 April, the water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 120-185 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 35-172 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 10-61 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.

38. At 1100 hours on 4 April, four Iranian forces personnel proceeded to construct a new position opposite hill 1426 at co-ordinates 932418, 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our I Army Corps units.

39. At 1430 hours on 4 April, the Iranian side installed a medium machine gun at co-ordinates 839656, 250 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Army Corps units.

40. At 0830 hours on 4 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed strengthening the road at co-ordinates 299645, 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

41. A new sandbagged Iranian position was noticed at co-ordinates 275697, 500 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

42. Between 0730 and 1115 hours on 5 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators and four dump trucks was observed improving an embankment, a road and an old shelter at co-ordinates 299645, 251713 and 269701, between 700 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

43. Between 1115 and 1130 hours on 4 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a grader and six dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 541291 and 441521, between 750 and 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

44. Between 0725 and 1525 hours on 4 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers, a backhoe and 27 dump trucks was observed at co-ordinates 546219, 548215, 548219 and 668215, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

45. Between 0715 and 1100 hours on 5 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of 13 dump trucks was observed transporting earth at co-ordinates 552211, 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

46. On 5 April, the water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 913998 and 913873, 120-190 centimetres; between defensive position No. 3, at co-ordinates 915865, and defensive position No. 1, at co-ordinates 940812, 35-160 centimetres; between co-ordinates 907290 and 910115, 10-60 centimetres; between co-ordinates 909287 and 912054, 10-120 centimetres.

47. Between 1115 and 1230 hours on 5 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of 11 dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 445514 and 541291, between 700 and 750 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

48. At 1700 hours on 4 April, seven Iranian forces personnel erected a shelter on the summit of Qarah Ghut at co-ordinates 335957, 1,500 metres from the forward perimeter of our V Army Corps units.

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49. At 1100 hours on 5 April, the Iranian side proceeded to dig two shelters at co-ordinates 311058 and 317052, 1,900 metres from the forward perimeter of our V Army Corps units.

50. At 1000 hours on 6 April, the Iranian side proceeded to erect a sandbagged firing position at co-ordinates 304625, 600 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

51. At 0800 hours on 6 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed improving a road at co-ordinates 299643, 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

52. Between 0900 hours and 1130 hours on 6 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, a grader and 19 dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 457498, 539292 and 499377, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

53. Between 0900 and 1030 hours on 7 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and 10 dump trucks was observed transporting earth and levelling the roads at co-ordinates 549217 and 552211, between 900 and 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

54. On 6 April, the water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 19-195 centimetres; between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 45-167 centimetres; between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 8-60 centimetres; between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-125 centimetres.

55. At 1010 hours on 7 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a hoist was observed at co-ordinates 265705, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

56. On 7 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of 10 dump trucks and a bulldozer was observed building an earth road at co-ordinates 4936 and 5037, 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

57. At 1030 hours on 7 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and five dump trucks was observed strengthening a road at co-ordinates 539296, 750 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

58. On 7 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of seven dump trucks, a roller and a grader was observed building an earth road at co-ordinates 664154, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

59. Between 0740 and 1030 hours on 7 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers, two rollers, a grader and 19 dump trucks was observed at co-ordinates 660158 and 552211, between 800 and 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

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60. On 7 April, the water levels as a result of the flooding by the Iranian side were as follows: between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 119-185 centimetres; between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 36-166 centimetres; between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 8-60 centimetres; between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-125 centimetres.

61. At 1200 hours on 8 April, the Iranian side proceeded to dig a slip trench at co-ordinates 817758, 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our I Army Corps units.

62. Between 1135 and 1220 hours on 8 April, 10 Iranian forces personnel proceeded to dig a slip trench at co-ordinates 218637, 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our I Army Corps units.

63. At 1105 hours on 8 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and three dump trucks was observed at co-ordinates 265700, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

64. Between 0900 and 1000 hours on 8 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a roller, a grader and two dump trucks was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 435524, 489341 and 538296, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

65. Between 0845 and 0950 hours on 8 April, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, three rollers, a grader and four dump trucks was observed improving and levelling the roads at co-ordinates 552211, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

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

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