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

1. At 0830 hours on 2 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two bulldozers, a roller and 16 dump trucks was observed improving the road at co-ordinates 331572 and 300644, between 800 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
2. At 1035 hours on 2 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a roller and seven dump trucks was observed transporting earth to co-ordinates 503375, 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
3. At 0735 hours on 3 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a roller and nine dump trucks was observed levelling and rolling the earth road at co-ordinates 547228, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
4. Between 0830 and 1430 hours on 3 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three excavators, two bulldozers and 12 dump trucks was observed improving the road and the embankments at co-ordinates 300643, 331572, 252713 and 367596, between 700 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
5. On 3 May 1989, the Iranian side set up a position 80 centimetres high and 2 metres wide made of blocks and roofed with corrugated metal and sandbags at co-ordinates 241717, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
6. Between 1035 and 1100 hours on 3 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators and eight dump trucks was observed strengthening a road to the village of Khaz'ilabad at co-ordinates 517383, 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

7. Between 0815 and 1035 hours on 3 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers, a roller and 10 dump trucks was observed strengthening and levelling the roads at co-ordinates 547226 and 547225, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
8. Between 0800 and 1130 hours on 3 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, two bulldozers and 19 dump trucks was observed improving the roads at co-ordinates 301642, 315575 and 335575, between 750 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
9. At 1030 hours on 4 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators and nine dump trucks was observed strengthening and finishing a road at co-ordinates 544279, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of VII Army Corps units.
10. Between 0850 and 0900 hours on 4 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, three rollers, a grader and 16 dump trucks was observed improving and strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 547236, 675155, 664155 and 547232, between 700 and 1,300 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
11. At 1730 hours on 4 May 1989, nine members of the Iranian forces were seen digging a 10-metre long slip trench in front of point 164 at co-ordinates 547529, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our II Army Corps units.
12. At 0700 hours on 5 May 1989, the Iranian side set up a single-phase anti-aircraft machine gun north of the Tib River opposite the patrol observation post at co-ordinates 0500, 2.5 kilometres from the forward perimeter of our IV Army Corps units.
13. At 1055 hours on 5 May 1989, 10 Iranians were seen on the top of Khawr Sharqan digging a slip trench at co-ordinates 035644, 2,400 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
14. At 0830 hours on 5 May 1989, an Iranian shelter was seen on the northern spit of land extending from the Kahraf area at co-ordinates 583723, 1,400 metres from the forward perimeter of our VI Army Corps units.
15. Between 0710 and 1040 hours on 5 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed improving a road and demolishing one of the clay houses at co-ordinates 315575 and 239718, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
16. Between 0930 and 0940 hours on 5 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers, 14 dump trucks and a water tanker, was seen strengthening a road and transporting earth at co-ordinates 485350 and 506381, between 600 and 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
17. At 0715 hours on 5 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a grader and five dump trucks was observed levelling a road at co-ordinates 547224, 600 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

18. At 1512 hours on 5 May 1989, the Iranian side opened small weapons fire in the direction of our units, and three bullets fell at point 116 at co-ordinates 542528. The source of the fire was 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our II Army Corps units.

19. Between 0745 and 1150 hours on 6 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of four excavators, two bulldozers and 23 dump trucks was observed carrying earth to Hajj Salbukh island at co-ordinates 308595, strengthening the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 302647, improving a road at co-ordinates 321571 and filling in a marsh at co-ordinates 367596, between 600 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

20. At 1055 hours on 6 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, three dump trucks and one Landcruiser was observed strengthening a road at co-ordinates 541289, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

21. Between 0830 and 0900 hours on 6 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a roller and 16 dump trucks was observed unloading earth on the road between co-ordinates 547229 and 547234, 600 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

22. Between 0830 and 0900 hours on 6 May 1989, the Iranian side built an earthen elevation 3 metres high and 4 metres long at co-ordinates 675155, 1,600 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

23. At 1900 hours on 6 May 1989, five members of the Iranian forces were seen strengthening a white and red communications tower with an estimated height of 15 metres in the town of Muhammarah north of the Karun river at co-ordinates 286996, 1,200 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units. At 0850 hours on 7 May 1989, they wrapped the tower with additional wire on both sides. At 1050 hours, the Iranian side fastened two oblong iron nets on the top of the tower facing south. At 1220 hours, an individual from the Iranian side fastened a 1.5 metre-long aerial on the top of the tower.

24. Between 0750 and 0905 hours on 7 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer and eight dump trucks was seen improving the roads at co-ordinates 243717 and 321571, between 600 and 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

25. At 0935 hours on 7 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, seven dump trucks and a Landcruiser pick-up was observed strengthening the road at co-ordinates 502448, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

26. Between 0735 and 0815 hours on 7 May 1989, an engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a roller and 13 dump trucks was observed strengthening an old road at co-ordinates 675155 and transporting earth from below and unloading it on the road at co-ordinates 547234, 1,600 and 600 metres respectively from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

27. At 1100 hours on 7 May 1989, five Iranian forces personnel were observed constructing a guard post east of Mansurabad at co-ordinates 101632, 2.5 kilometres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
28. At 0930 hours on 7 May 1989, the Iranian side constructed a new observation post on hill 215 at co-ordinates 149711, 1,600 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
29. At 1700 hours on 7 May 1989, 10 Iranian forces personnel were observed digging a communications trench at co-ordinates 927433, 2,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Army Corps units.
30. At 0815 hours on 8 May 1989, an Iranian firing position behind hill 215 at co-ordinates 141701 was reconstructed with sandbags, 1,500 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
31. At 1230 hours on 8 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed strengthening a road at co-ordinates 675155, 1,600 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
32. Between 0730 and 0900 hours on 8 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three excavators, a roller and 13 dump trucks was observed strengthening and repairing the roads at co-ordinates 335576 and 323571 and improving the earth barrage at co-ordinates 302647, between 600 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
33. At 1700 hours on 7 May 1989, 10 Iranian forces personnel were observed digging a communications trench at co-ordinates 927433, 2,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Army Corps units.
34. At 1230 hours on 8 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed strengthening a road at co-ordinates 675155, 1,600 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
35. At 2325 hours on 8 May 1989, the Iranian side fired two shots into the air opposite point 120 at co-ordinates 519568, 300 metres from the forward perimeter of our II Army Corps units; and at 1010 hours on 9 May 1989, it fired a shot into the air from a white revolver at the same spot.
36. At 0815 hours on 8 May 1989, an Iranian firing position behind hill 215 at co-ordinates 141701 was reconstructed with sandbags, 1,500 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
37. Between 0710 and 1100 hours on 9 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of six excavators, a bulldozer, a grader and 16 dump trucks was observed filling in a marsh at co-ordinates 367596 and improving the embankments at co-ordinates 302647 and 363596, between 500 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

38. Between 1000 and 1035 hours on 9 May 1989, an engineering unit consisting of two excavators, two bulldozers, a grader, a Land Rover vehicle and a tanker was observed strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 504445 and 495372 and transporting earth from Khosrowabad to the village of Ali al-Zahir at co-ordinates 506381, between 600 and 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

39. Between 0730 and 0900 hours on 9 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a roller and nine dump trucks was observed strengthening the road at co-ordinates 677154, transporting earth from the rear and unloading it on the road between co-ordinates 548226 and 547242, in order to level the road, between 700 and 1,500 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

40. Between 1530 hours on 9 May and 0910 hours on 10 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of five excavators, 22 dump trucks and three bulldozers was observed filling in a marsh at co-ordinates 367596, strengthening and improving the roads at co-ordinates 316576 and 321571, transporting earth to co-ordinates 240718, improving the embankment at co-ordinates 365597 and strengthening the earth barrage at co-ordinates 299643, between 500 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

41. Between 1655 hours on 9 May and 0730 hours on 10 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, three rollers, a grader and 20 dump trucks was observed improving and strengthening the roads at co-ordinates 547234, 547242, 679156 and 663156, between 700 and 1,600 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

42. At 1030 hours on 10 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and three dump trucks was observed strengthening and repairing a road at co-ordinates 513324, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

Flooding operation

The Iranian side is continuing the flooding operation in the direction of our III Army Corps military units and in front of our military units' barricades. The flood levels have been as follows:

43. 2 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-180 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-168 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 10-100 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-115 centimetres.

44. 3 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-180 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-160 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 10-100 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-115 centimetres.

45. 4 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-180 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-162 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 10-105 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

46. 5 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-180 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-160 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 7-85 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

47. 6 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-180 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-163 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 7-110 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

48. 7 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-180 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-158 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 6-110 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

49. 8 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-195 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-170 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 14-110 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

50. 9 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-190 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-168 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-110 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

51. 10 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-185 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-160 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 12-110 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 15-110 centimetres.

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

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