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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 provisions.

1. At 1400 hours on 9 May 1989, 12 Iranian forces personnel were observed digging a position from the machine-gun post to the communications trench on the side of Khidr Sharfani at co-ordinates 065588, 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our V Army Corps units.
2. At 0850 hours on 10 May 1989, personnel from the Iranian side was seen setting up an observation post at hill 215 at co-ordinates 141699, 1,650 metres from the forward perimeter of our V Army Corps units.
3. At 1045 hours on 10 May 1989, two Iranian side personnel were observed setting up a new observation post at co-ordinates 157776, 1,100 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
4. At 1105 hours on 10 May 1989, three Iranian side personnel were observed digging a communications trench on hill 533 at co-ordinates 177789, 1,400 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
5. At 1710 hours on 10 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of four dump trucks was observed transporting earth from below at co-ordinates 548227, 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
6. At 1030 hours on 11 May 1989, five Iranian forces personnel were observed digging behind the Iranian embankment at Qal'eh Kohneh at co-ordinates 101664, 1,100 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Special Army Corps units.
7. Between 0720 and 0820 hours on 11 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three excavators, two bulldozers, a grader and eight dump trucks was observed demolishing houses and improving an embankment and a road at co-ordinates 141718, 301640 and 364596, between 600 and 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

8. Between 0800 and 0945 hours on 11 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, 20 dump trucks and one Landcruiser was observed strengthening and improving roads at co-ordinates 486345, 495372 and 501447, between 550 and 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
9. Between 1750 hours on 11 May 1989 and 0750 hours on 12 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, two rollers, two graders and 23 dump trucks was observed levelling and improving roads and transporting earth between co-ordinates 547213 and co-ordinates 547241 and between co-ordinates 549213 and co-ordinates 547237 and strengthening roads at co-ordinates 679154 and 663156, 800 metres and between 1,000 and 1,300 metres respectively from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
10. At 0740 hours on 12 May 1989, four Iranian forces personnel were observed building an observation post on the east bank of the Duwayrij River at co-ordinates 371919 in the VII Army Corps area.
11. At 0850 hours on 12 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and three dump trucks was observed strengthening the Iranian embankment and transporting earth at co-ordinates 240718, 600 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
12. At 1200 hours on 12 May 1989, a khaki-coloured helicopter was seen coming from the Iranian direction and landing behind the Iranian naval base at co-ordinates 386690, 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
13. Between 0830 and 1200 hours on 12 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of four excavators, two bulldozers, 22 dump trucks and a water tanker was observed strengthening roads at co-ordinates 495372 and 500449 and transporting earth from co-ordinates 506781 in the direction of the village of Ali al-Zahir, between 700 and 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
14. Between 1710 hours on 12 May 1989 and 0910 hours on 13 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three excavators, a bulldozer, a roller, two graders, 14 dump trucks and a water tanker was observed strengthening roads between co-ordinates 547227 and 547240 and at co-ordinates 693144 and 660156, between 800 and 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
15. Between 0820 and 0905 hours on 13 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two bulldozers, two excavators and eight dump trucks was observed improving an embankment at co-ordinates 300639, 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
16. Between 0840 and 1030 hours on 13 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, two bulldozers, a grader and 18 dump trucks was observed strengthening roads at co-ordinates 495371, 517319 and 499450, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
17. Between 0840 and 1030 hours on 13 May 1989, the Iranian side opened up four reservoirs with a backhoe at co-ordinates 516412, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

18. At 1930 hours on 13 May 1989, seven Iranian forces personnel were seen building a sandbagged guard post roofed with corrugated metal 1 metre high and 2 metres long at co-ordinates 240718, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
19. Between 1710 hours on 13 May 1989 and 0805 hours on 14 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, a roller, a grader and 10 dump trucks was observed strengthening the road between co-ordinates 547227 and 547240 and repairing the road at co-ordinates 695144, between 800 and 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
20. At 0840 hours on 13 May 1989, seven Iranians were observed digging a position near the Iranian command in front of hill 215 at co-ordinates 140698, 1,700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
21. At 1605 hours on 13 May 1989, two khaki-coloured helicopters were seen 1,500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
22. Between 0655 and 1115 hours on 14 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers and nine dump trucks was observed transporting earth to the rear of the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 240718, improving an embankment at co-ordinates 300639 and filling in a reservoir at co-ordinates 367596, between 700 and 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
23. At 1930 hours on 14 May 1989, the Iranian side abducted three armed soldiers in the Siyakawiz area at co-ordinates 7262 while they were fetching provisions, 1,700 metres from the forward perimeter of our I Army Corps units.
24. Between 0900 and 0915 hours on 14 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, two graders and 14 dump trucks was observed improving and strengthening roads at co-ordinates 499452, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
25. Between 1735 hours on 14 May 1989 and 0745 hours on 15 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, a roller, two graders and 16 dump trucks was observed strengthening and repairing roads between co-ordinates 547228 and 547241 and at co-ordinates 695144 and 656158, between 800 and 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.
26. At 1800 hours on 14 May 1989, 19 Iranian forces personnel were seen digging an observation post and a slip trench at co-ordinates 501093 and 502085, 1 kilometre from the forward perimeter of our II Army Corps units.
27. Between 0830 and 1040 hours on 15 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer and 10 dump trucks was observed strengthening, improving and raising the level of embankments at co-ordinates 300639, 243717 and 363596, between 800 and 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
28. Between 1000 and 1120 hours on 15 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three excavators, a bulldozer, 17 dump trucks and two tanker trucks was observed transporting earth from Khosrowabad to the village of Ali al-Zahir at

co-ordinates 517381 and strengthening the road at co-ordinates 495370, between 800 and 850 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

29. Between 0710 and 0745 hours on 15 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, a roller, two graders and 16 dump trucks was observed strengthening and repairing roads between co-ordinates 547228 and 547241 and at co-ordinates 695144 and 656158, between 800 and 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

30. At 0800 hours on 16 May 1989, the Iranian side built a clay shelter at co-ordinates 4085, 1 kilometre from our IV Army Corps units.

31. At 1830 hours on 16 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a scraper, a backhoe and four dump trucks was observed constructing a 1-kilometre long embankment extending in the direction of our IV Army Corps units.

32. At 1835 hours on 16 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three dump trucks was observed transporting earth at co-ordinates 423538, 750 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

33. Between 0835 and 0955 hours on 16 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two bulldozers and nine dump trucks was observed improving a road at co-ordinates 366596 and repairing and raising the level of embankments at co-ordinates 321725 and 300639, between 700 and 800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

34. At 0830 hours on 16 May 1989 an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a grader and eight dump trucks was observed strengthening the road at co-ordinates 495371, 750 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

35. Between 0655 and 1015 hours on 16 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three excavators, a bulldozer, three rollers and 13 dump trucks was observed unloading earth at co-ordinates 548227, 665144, 547232 and 576195, between 800 and 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

36. At 0905 hours on 17 May 1989, three Iranian side personnel were seen setting up a cabin on the iron tower at co-ordinates 967770, 1,600 metres from the forward perimeter of our III Army Corps units.

37. Between 0805 and 1000 hours on 17 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and 10 dump trucks was observed improving embankments at co-ordinates 301639, 365596 and 309588, between 800 and 900 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

38. Between 1000 and 1100 hours on 17 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, 12 dump trucks and one Landcruiser was seen improving roads at co-ordinates 495372 and 505445, between 650 and 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

39. At 1030 hours on 17 May 1989, the Iranian side constructed a 2.5-metre-wide aperture in the Iranian embankment with an excavator and proceeded to clean the reservoir using a backhoe at co-ordinates 515426, 700 metres from the forward perimeter of our VII Army Corps units.

40. Between 0645 and 0940 hours on 17 May 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, two rollers, a grader and 12 dump trucks was observed unloading earth and strengthening and levelling roads at co-ordinates 576195, 695144, 668158 and 548229, between 800 and 1,400 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:

41. 11 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-185 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-165 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 12-110 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-110 centimetres.

42. 12 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-185 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-165 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 12-180 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

43. 13 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-185 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 989731 and 913876, 10-166 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 10-120 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

44. 14 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-185 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-165 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 11-100 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

45. 15 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-185 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-165 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-100 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

46. 16 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-185 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-165 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 14-100 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-120 centimetres.

47. 17 May 1989:

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 115-185 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 10-165 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 11-110 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-110 centimetres.

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

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