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THE PERMANENT MISSION OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED
TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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. At 1630 hours on 26 July 1989, an Iranian helicopter was observed hovering at co-ordinates 7065, 3 kilometres from our I Army Corps units. It then returned to a point beyond the village of Balkah at co-ordinate 6968, landed there and, at 1640 hours, took off in the direction of the rear.
2. At 1645 hours on 26 July 1989, a helicopter was observed hovering at an altitude of 100 metres over hill 2040 at co-ordinates 754628, 2.5 kilometres from our I Army Corps units.
3. At 1550 hours on 26 July 1989, the Iranian side opened fire in the direction of our II Army Corps units. The ammunition used was as follows: two 82-millimetre mortar shells; three RPG-7 launcher grenades; 250 rounds of medium-calibre ammunition; and 200 rounds of light-calibre ammunition.
4. At 1600 hours on 26 July 1989, an Iranian helicopter was observed coming from hill 1401 at co-ordinates 4984 and returning in the direction of the Surkiyu slope and Wadi Sabidarah, 2,700 metres from our I Army Corps units.
5. At 1755 hours on 26 July 1989, 10 Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 6-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 503168, 1,200 metres from our II Army Corps units.
6. At 1150 hours on 27 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two rollers and seven dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 485349, 650 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
7. At 0735 hours on 27 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a roller, a bulldozer and two dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 337578, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

8. At 1100 hours on 27 July 1989, four or five Iranian soldiers were observed improving and building up with blocks and cement the old Iranian mound at the village of Juman at co-ordinates 527813, 1 kilometre from our I Army Corps units.
9. Between 1715 and 1825 hours on 27 July 1989, three groups each estimated as being made up of between 6 and 15 Iranian soldiers were observed building three mud huts at co-ordinates 279985, 309959 and 275985 on the east bank of the Doweirij river, 2 kilometres from our IV Army Corps units.
10. Between 0830 and 1000 hours on 28 July 1989, the Iranian side proceeded to build three firing positions, at co-ordinates 997728, 998730 and 997727, and a rest shelter, at co-ordinates 981754, between 1,600 and 1,900 metres from our III Army Corps units.
11. At 1210 hours on 27 July 1989, 12 Iranian soldiers were observed building three new guard posts at co-ordinates 074555 and, at 1530 hours, eight Iranian soldiers were observed building two new guard posts at the same co-ordinates, 1.5 kilometres from our V Army Corps units.
12. At 1900 hours on 27 July 1989, the Iranian side was observed erecting two 180-pound tents at co-ordinates 676485 and installing a cabin at co-ordinates 663460, between 2,800 and 3,000 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
13. At 1900 hours on 27 July 1989, 16 Iranian soldiers were observed erecting a bridge of cork construction adjacent to the old cork bridge on the Arayid river at co-ordinates 245716, 400 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
14. At 0745 hours on 28 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a roller, a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 227578, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
15. At 1120 hours on 28 July 1989, a bulldozer, a water tanker and a Land Cruiser vehicle were observed building a road at co-ordinates 321592, 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
16. At 0725 hours and again at 0800 hours on 28 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two bulldozers, a roller and eight dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 624168 and 687146, between 900 and 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
17. At 0950 hours on 28 July 1989, an Iranian helicopter was observed hovering at co-ordinates 0991, 5 kilometres from our I Army Corps units.
18. At 1000 hours on 28 July 1989, the Iranian side proceeded to build a new observation post at co-ordinates 971090, 1 kilometre from our II Army Corps units.
19. On the nights of 26-27, 27-28 and 28-29 July 1989, a number of Iranian soldiers threw stones at our forward units at co-ordinates 565960 in the II Army Corps sector.

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20. At 1700 hours on 28 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a grader, a bulldozer, a roller and three dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 624168, 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

21. Between 0630 and 0940 hours on 29 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit was observed building a road at co-ordinates 996745, 1,200 metres from our III Army Corps units.

22. At 0700 hours on 29 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a roller, a grader and four dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 337578, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

23. At 1245 hours on 29 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and a Land Cruiser vehicle was observed raising the height of the embankment at co-ordinates 522381, 2,500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

24. At 1130 hours on 29 July 1989, three Iranian forces personnel constructed a new position at co-ordinates 522562, 50 metres from our II Army Corps units.

25. At 1015 hours on 29 July 1989, six Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a communications trench at co-ordinates 965117, 2 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.

26. At 1700 hours on 29 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit was observed building a road at co-ordinates 771359 and 774359, 3 kilometres from our III Army Corps units.

27. At 1155 hours on 29 July 1989, 35 Iranian soldiers were observed digging a trench and building a position at co-ordinates 064589, 1 kilometre from our V Army Corps units.

28. At 1835 hours on 29 July 1989, 13 Iranian soldiers were observed connecting the cork-constructed bridge on the Arayid river at co-ordinates 645716, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

29. At 1845 hours on 29 July 1989, four Iranian soldiers were observed raising the height of an observation post and fortifying it with sandbags at co-ordinates 279693, 500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

30. At 0900 hours on 30 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a grader, a roller and four dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 334575, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

31. At 1000 hours on 30 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a grader and six dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 447510, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

32. At 0700 hours on 30 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and five dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 687146, 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

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33. At 1000 hours on 30 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, six dump trucks and a Land Cruiser vehicle was observed building a road at co-ordinates 624168, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

34. At 1630 hours on 30 July 1989, the Iranian side proceeded to construct a new position at co-ordinates 513561, 100 metres from our II Army Corps units.

35. At 0900 hours on 30 July 1989, seven Iranian soldiers proceeded to build a shelter on hill 469 at co-ordinates 965117, 2.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.

36. On the night of 29-30 July 1989, the Iranian side proceeded to improve and deepen a 10- to 16-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 149604, 2.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.

37. At 1930 hours on 30 July 1989, four Iranian forces personnel were observed demolishing the Iranian earth-built observation post located at co-ordinates 948813, 1 kilometre from our III Army Corps units.

38. Between 1700 hours on 30 July 1989 and 0830 hours on 31 July 1989, two excavators, three bulldozers, two rollers and eight dump trucks were observed operating at co-ordinates 728359, 3,300 metres from our III Army Corps units.

39. At 0800 hours on 31 July 1989, an excavator and eight dump trucks were observed operating at co-ordinates 720372, 3,600 metres from our III Army Corps units.

40. At 0740 hours on 31 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a roller, a grader and five dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 334575, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

41. At 1210 hours on 31 July 1989, eight Iranian soldiers were observed strengthening and improving an observation shelter on the Iranian embankment to the south of the Karun river at co-ordinates 286686, 500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

42. At 0830 hours on 31 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and six dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 624168, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

43. At 0700 hours on 31 July 1989, the Iranian side proceeded to construct two new 2-metre-long observation posts at co-ordinates 540719, 2 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.

44. At 1930 hours on 31 July 1989, two groups of Iranian forces personnel proceeded to dig a 20-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 449088 and a 10-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 504071, 1,200 metres and 1 kilometre respectively from our II Army Corps units.

45. At 1530 hours on 31 July 1989, two Iranian forces personnel approached to within a distance of 500 metres of our positions in the V Army Corps sector at co-ordinates 908751.

46. Between 0650 and 0810 hours on 1 August 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and two dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 996745, 900 metres from our III Army Corps units.

47. At 0730 hours on 1 August 1989, the Iranian side proceeded to raise the height of an old observation post on the first Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 928848, between 50 and 60 metres from our III Army Corps units.

48. At 0730 hours on 1 August 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a roller, a grader and six dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 333574, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

49. At 0825 hours on 1 August 1989, four Iranian forces personnel were observed building an observation shelter to the north of the Arayid river at co-ordinates 242718, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

50. At 0835 hours on 1 August 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a grader and seven dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 508338, 2,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

Flooding operation

The Iranian side is continuing its flooding operation in the direction of our III Army Corps and opposite the defensive positions of our military units. The water levels have been as follows:

51. 27 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 65-140 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 0-120 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-70 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-70 centimetres.

52. 28 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 65-140 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 5-120 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-70 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-70 centimetres.

53. 29 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 65-140 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 0-120 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-70 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-70 centimetres.

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54. 30 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 65-140 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 0-120 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 14-70 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-70 centimetres.

55. 31 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 64-140 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 0-120 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 14-70 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-70 centimetres.

56. 1 August 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 64-140 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 0-120 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 14-70 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-70 centimetres.

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

(Signed) Ali Mahmoud SUMAIDA
Ambassador
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