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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 1830 hours on 9 July 1989, nine Iranian soldiers were observed at co-ordinates 7562 digging a new 50-metre-long communications trench, 2.5 kilometres from our I Army Corps units.
- 2. At 1815 hours on 9 July 1989, 15 Iranian soldiers were observed constructing three new guard posts at co-ordinates 065555, 1 kilometre from our V Army Corps units.
- 3. At 1925 hours on 10 July 1989, an Iranian excavator was observed levelling and mending a road at co-ordinates 944781, between 800 and 1,200 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 4. At 1930 hours on 10 July 1989, seven Iranian soldiers were observed building a new guard post at co-ordinates 313967, 1,300 metres from our V Army Corps units.
- 5. At 1800 hours on 10 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a roller, a tractor, a pick-up truck and six dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 652158, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 6. At 0840 hours on 10 July 1989, 15 Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 10-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 518141, 2.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 7. At 1005 hours on 11 July 1989, the Iranian side proceeded to install two observation cabins on the towers located at co-ordinates 646485 and 645485, between 300 and 400 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 8. Between 0730 and 0750 hours on 11 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a roller, a grader and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 229726 and 342583, between 600 and 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 9. Between 0700 and 0900 hours on 11 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, two rollers and a grader was observed building a road at co-ordinates 645158 and 593188, between 800 and 1,400 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 10. At 1830 hours on 11 July 1989, an Iranian excavator was observed building an earth embankment 200 metres long and 1.5 metres high at co-ordinates 9341, 1,700 metres from our I Army Corps units.
- 11. At 2110 hours on 11 July 1989, the Iranian side brought into operation its Arabic-language field broadcasting system and transmitted an attack against the Iraqi leadership at co-ordinates 928841, 400 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 12. At 1915 hours on 11 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and two dump trucks was observed improving the road at co-ordinates 693360, 1,300 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 13. At 1845 hours on 11 July 1989, four Iranian soldiers proceeded to construct a new position at co-ordinates 810060, between 1.5 and 2 kilometres from our V Army Corps units.
- 14. At 1730 hours on 11 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a grader and five dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 643159, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 15. At 0850 hours on 12 July 1989, 10 Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 5-metre-long communications treach at co-ordinates 518141, 2.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 16. Between 0700 and 1030 hours on 12 July 1989, the Iranian side proceeded to dig a 20-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 586493, 2 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 17. At 0915 hours on 12 July 1989, a vehicle carrying seven Iranian soldiers came through an opening in the first Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 944782, 800 metres from our III Army Corps units. They engaged in observation activities for a 10-minute period and then withdrew.
- 18. At 0730 hours on 12 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, two rollers and eight dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 342583, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 19. At 0855 hours on 12 July 1989, an Iranian helicopter was observed coming from the Iranian rear and landing beyond the town of Muhammarah at co-ordinates 3170, between 4 and 5 kilometres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 20. Between 0830 and 0930 hours on 12 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of 13 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 485466 and 538297, between 700 and 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 21. Between 0700 and 0755 hours on 12 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, two rollers, three graders and 18 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 689149, 642159 and 595187, between 800 and 1,400 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 22. At 1940 hours on 12 July 1989, a boat containing five Iranian soldiers approached at co-ordinates 599602, 3,400 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 23. At 0840 hours on 12 July 1989, 15 Iranian soldiers resumed work on the 5-metre-long communications trench begun on 12 July 1989 at co-ordinates 518141, 2.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 24. At 1805 hours on 12 July 1989, 15 Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 5-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 518141, 2.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 25. At 1825 hours on 12 July 1989, eight Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 10-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 516198, 1.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 26. At 1045 hours on 12 July 1989, 10 Iranian soldiers proceeded to build a shelter at co-ordinates 059879, 350 metres from our II Army Corps units.
- 27. At 1830 hours on 12 July 1989, a vehicle carrying two Iranian soldiers came through the opening in the Iranian bankment located at co-ordinates 948782 heading towards the Iranian monitoring post at co-ordinates 944782, between 800 and 1,200 metres from our III Army Corps units. They carried out observation activities for a 3-minute period. At 1905 hours on 12 July 1989, a bicycle came through the same opening from which a person dismounted and watched through hand-held binoculars.
- 28. At 2330 hours on 12 July 1989, searchlights were observed being turned on and off on the Iranian vestel moored in the Shatt al-Arab at co-ordinates 678148, 700 metres from our V₁(Army Corps units.
- 29. At 2200 hours on 12 July 1989, a motorcycle carrying three Iranian soldiers was observed heading towards the Iranian monitoring post at co-ordinates 944782. The three engaged in observation activities using a night scope, 800 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 30. At 2035 hours on 12 July 1989, the Iranian side brought into operation its Arabic-language field broadcasting system at co-ordinates 928841 and transmitted an attack on the Iraqi leadership, 400 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 31. At 0845 hours on 13 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a roller and five dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 342583, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 32. At 1015 hours on 13 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of eight dump trucks was observed moving earth at co-ordinates 285266, 550 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 33. Between 0700 and 0915 hours on 13 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, two rollers, a grader and 13 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 643159 and 595187, between 800 and 1,400 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 34. At 1150 hours on 13 July 1989, a boat carrying two Iranian soldiers was observed in the Shatt al-Arab coming from the Gulf and entering one of the Iranian marshes at co-ordinates 692142, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 35. At 0815 hours on 13 July 1989, 11 Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 7-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 512141, 2.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 36. At 0815 hours on 14 July 1989, 15 Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 10-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 519183, 1.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 37. At 0820 hours on 13 July 1989, nine Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 5-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 509193, 1 kilometre from our II Army Corps units.
- 38. At 1330 hours on 13 July 1989, two Iranian soldiers were observed removing mines from co-ordinates 928842, 400 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 39. At 1800 hours on 12 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a roller, a tractor, a grader and four dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 643159, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 40. At 0740 hours on 13 July 1989, the Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and a bulldozer resumed loading two dump trucks with earth between co-ordinates 993747 and 996745, between 1,300 and 1,400 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 41. At 1100 hours on 13 July 1989, a motorcycle carrying two Iranian soldiers came through the opening located at co-ordinates 948782 and headed towards the Iranian monitoring post at co-ordinates 9448782, where they carried out monitoring activities for a 5-minute period, 800 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 42. At 1930 hours on 13 July 1989, five Iranian soldiers were observed building a position on the first Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 950795, 1,300 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 43. At 1800 hours on 13 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of six dump trucks was observed transporting earth from the Iranian rear to co-ordinates 643159, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 44. At 0900 hours on 14 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, two rollers, a grader and seven dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 344584, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 45. At 1120 hours on 14 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of four dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 384586, 550 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 46. Between 0700 and 1015 hours on 14 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, two rollers, two graders and 14 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 689149, 642159 and 595187, between 800 and 1,400 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 47. At 1720 hours on 13 July 1989, a bulldozer was observed building a road on the summit of Mount Lar at co-ordinates 135825, 7 kilometres from our I Army Corps units, and, at 1000 hours on 14 July 1989, work was resumed on the same road so that a 700-metre length was completed.
- 48. At 1630 hours on 14 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and two dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 996745, 1,200 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 49. At 2245 hours on 14 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and two dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 496455, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 50. At 1800 hours on 14 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a roller, a grader and six dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 634159, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 51. At 0930 hours on 14 July 1989, an Iranian helicopter was observed coming from the Iranian rear and hovering over co-ordinates 2463, 4 kilometres from our I Army Corps units.
- 52. At 1210 hours on 14 July 1989, an Iranian helicopter was observed hovering over co-ordinates 2463 and then returning in the direction of hill 1930 at co-ordinates 2264, 2 kilometres from our I Army Corps units.
- 53. At 1105 hours on 14 July 1989, the Iranian side proceeded to fire an 81-millimetre mortar shell which fell opposite our positions at co-ordinates 203648, 600 metres from our I Army Corps units.
- 54. At 0830 hours on 15 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, two rollers, a grader and 10 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 344584, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 55. Between 0815 and 1130 hours on 15 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a roller, a grader and 24 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 537297, 455497 and 486346, between 550 and 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 56. Between 0750 and 0800 hours on 15 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a roller, 10 dump trucks and a pick-up truck was observed building a road at co-ordinates 644159, between 800 and 1,200 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 57. At 0950 hours on 15 July 1989, an Iranian bulldozer was observed improving the 300-metre-long road between the two mounds on Mount Mashakh Ashkut at co-ordinates 719748 and 721645, 4 kilometres from our I Army Corps units.
- 58. At 1810 hours on 14 July 1989, 12 Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 5-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 519193 (Qasr-e Shirin), 2 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 59. At 0715 hours on 15 July 1989, 12 Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 3-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 512141 (Qasr-e Shirin), 2.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 60. At 1825 hours on 15 July 1989, 15 Iranian soldiers proceeded to dig a 5-metre-long communications trench at co-ordinates 512191, 1.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 61. Between 1625 hours on 15 July 1989 and 1130 hours on 16 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and two dump trucks was observed at co-ordinates 993744, 900 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 62. The Iranian side proceeded to level the earth heaped up on 15 July 1989 in order to build a 150-metre-long road at co-ordinates 929128, 2,700 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 63. At 1130 hours on 15 July 1989, six Iranian soldiers were observed erecting a tent on Hajj Sulbukh island at co-ordinates 316577, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 64. At 1830 hours on 15 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, two rollers, a grader and seven dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 637164, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 65. Between 0730 and 0820 hours on 16 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two bulldozers, two rollers, a grader and 10 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 235729 and 344584, between 600 and 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 66. Between 0800 and 0830 hours on 16 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, two rollers, two graders, two tractors and a pick-up truck was observed building a road at co-ordinates 643159 and 596185, between 800 and 1,300 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 67. At 0810 hours on 16 July 1989, seven Iranian soldiers were observed rebuilding, reinforcing and installing a firing position in an old observation post overlooking the Shatt al-Arab at co-ordinates 548213, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 68. At 1100 hours on 16 July 1989, 10 Iranian soldiers were observed building an observation post and a shelter to the left of hill 2160 at co-ordinates 916659, 3 kilometres from our I Army Corps units.

- 69. Between 1645 hours on 16 July 1989 and 1200 hours on 17 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, an excavator and two dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 993745, 1,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 70. At 1215 hours on 16 July 1989, eight Iranian forces personnel were observed building a new launcher position on Green Hill at co-ordinates 312045, 1,500 metres from our V Army Corps units.
- 71. Between 1700 and 1800 hours on 16 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a grader, a tractor and 10 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 644159, between 900 and 1,200 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 72. Between 0700 and 0800 hours on 17 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a grader, a roller, eight dump trucks and a pick-up truck was observed building a road at co-ordinates 644159, between 900 and 1,200 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 73. Between 0705 and 0835 hours on 17 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer, two rollers, a grader and 12 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 344584, between 600 and 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 74. At 0935 hours on 17 July 1989, the Iranian side placed three heavy machine-guns on the first Iranian embankment opposite Umm al-Rassas island at co-ordinates 251713, 252712 and 255711, 500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 75. At 1305 hours on 17 July 1989, an excavator and a Land Cruiser vehicle were observed constructing four personnel positions at co-ordinates 517825, 2 kilometres from our I Army Corps units.
- 76. At 0030 hours on 17 July 1989, the Iranian side fired four flares to a high altitude at co-ordinates 526683, 1.5 kilometres from our II Army Corps units.
- 77. At 1745 hours on 17 July 1989, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and two dump trucks was observed building a 1.5-kilometre-long embankment between co-ordinates 9974 and 0073.

Flooding operation

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

78. 11 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 79-140 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 5-110 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-80 centimetres;

79. 12 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 76-140 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 5-120 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-80 centimetres;

80. 13 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 75-140 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 5-115 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 75-140 centimetres;

81. 14 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 75-140 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 5-120 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-80 centimetres;

82. 15 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 72-140 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 3-115 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-70 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 20-80 centimetres;

83. 16 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 72-140 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, 15-80 centimetres;

84. 17 July 1989

Between co-ordinates 907022 and 913876, 70-140 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 913876 and 989731, 5-120 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 678327 and 912291, 15-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 912291 and 907022, 10-80 centimetres;

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

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