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Letter dated 21 November 1989 from the Permanent Representative
of Afghanistan to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you a message from H.E. Mr. Abdul Wakil,
Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Afghanistan, addressed to Your
Excellency (see annex).

I have further the honour to request that the present letter and its annex be
circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 72,
41 and 144, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Noor Ahmad NOOR
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Message from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan

On 16 November, a series of explosions occurred in one of the arms depots of the Afghan extremists in Garm Chishma area located in the north-west of Peshawar, killing more than 40 people and injuring several more. This depot is part of an extensive network of establishments which exist on the territory of Pakistan and in the tribal area in blatant violation by the Pakistani authorities of the Geneva Agreements.

Ever since the entry into force of the Geneva Agreements on 15 May 1988, the Government of the Republic of Afghanistan has drawn the attention of the United Nations Good Offices Mission in Afghanistan and Pakistan (UNGOMAP) to the existence of arms depots and the establishment of new ones on the territory of Pakistan. Furthermore, mention has been made of the fact that the facilities of the armed forces of Pakistan are also being used for stepping up intervention, interference and direct aggression against the Republic of Afghanistan.

To our regret, despite irrefutable evidence and our repeated complaints, partly because of the obstructionist policy of Pakistan, the UNGOMAP investigation teams have not been able to establish even a single instance of violation of the Geneva Agreements by Pakistan.

But evidence speaks for itself, and the explosion in Garm Chisma, one out of a large number of arms depots of the extremists, clearly proves that the repeated claims of Pakistan of the non-existence of arms depots on its territory are totally baseless. The existence of this extensive network of arms depots have enabled the Afghan extremists, the foreign mercenaries and the armed forces of Pakistan, to carry out terrorist attacks against the cities and other populated areas, and to launch armed assaults against frontier provinces of our country, particularly, Nangarhar, Khost and Kandahar.

The inability of UNGOMAP to investigate thoroughly the violations of the Geneva Agreements on the basis of the repeated complaints of Afghanistan, and on its own initiative, in accordance to paragraph B of article IV of the Memorandum of Understanding, have encouraged Pakistan to step up its interference, intervention and aggression against the Republic of Afghanistan.

I wish to request Your Excellency to undertake measures to ensure a thorough investigation of the Garm Chisma depot by UNGOMAP.
