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Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

Upon the instructions of my Government, I am transmitting for your attention the press release of the Ministry of Defence of the Nagorno Karabakh Republic, dated 1 February 2017, on the subversive infiltration attempt by the armed forces of Azerbaijan in the northern direction (Talish) of the line of contact between the armed forces of Nagorno Karabakh and Azerbaijan (see annex).

I kindly request that the present letter and its annex be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 31, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Zohrab **Mnatsakanyan**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative



Annex to the letter dated 3 February 2017 from the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

[1 February 2017]

On 1 February, at about 3 p.m., the Azerbaijani armed forces, taking advantage of the foggy weather conditions, made a subversive reconnaissance infiltration attempt in the northern direction (Talish) of the line of contact between the armed forces of Nagorno Karabakh and Azerbaijan. The Defence Army of the Nagorno Karabakh Republic vanguard units, promptly revealing the advance of the Azerbaijani special forces, took preventive action and threw them back, causing casualties. As a result of the organized counter-subversive operation, the NKR Defence Army vanguard units took captive a soldier of the Azerbaijani Army, Elnur Husseynzade, born in 1995 in Barda town. According to reliable data, at least one serviceman from the Azerbaijani side was wounded, a fact that was also affirmed by the Azerbaijani Defence Ministry's press release today.

The NKR Defence Army vanguard units continue to confidently carry out their military duties along the entire line of contact and are ready to neutralize any attack.
