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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 1530 hours on 19 February 1990, nine Iranians wearing civilian clothing were observed lining a canal with stones to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 240049, 4,000 metres from our IV Army Corps units, and, between 1040 and 1100 hours on 20 February 1990, three Iranian dump trucks carrying stones proceeded to unload their cargoes in the same area.
- 2. At 0910 hours on 20 February 1990, eight Iranians proceeded to build a new firing position of sand bags at co-ordinates 793241, 500 metres from our II Army Corps units.
- 3. At 1550 hours on 20 February 1990, three Iranian tanks were observed coming out from the third Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 954853 and taking up position, each of them protruding above the mound, at co-ordinates 943845, between 2,000 and 3,500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 4. At 1630 hours on 20 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to erect a new 10- to 15-metre-high metal tower at co-ordinates 929857, 1,300 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 5. At 1635 hours on 20 February 1990, about six groups of Iranians, each of them consisting of 10 persons armed with infantry weapons, were observed moving from place to place opposite our Commando Regiment, 35th Brigade, 19th Division, and, at 1700 hours, an Iranian concentration estimated at 140 persons, in a state of alert, wearing military uniforms and including a member of the clergy and two persons carrying wireless communications equipment, was observed on the first embankment at co-ordinates 929842, 2,400 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 6. At 1705 hours on 20 February 1990, seven Iranian buses with empty seats were observed behind the first embankment at co-ordinates 929844, 2,400 metres from our III Army Corps units.

- 7. At 1710 hours on 20 February 1990, two empty Iranian buses were observed proceeding from the Iranian rear and coming to a halt at co-ordinates 923866, 1,500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 8. At 0700 hours on 20 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to extend by 20 metres, to a total length of 135 metres, the communications trench to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 230039, 2,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 9. At 1700 hours on 20 February 1990, an Iranian vehicle was observed proceeding from Dehloran and coming to a halt in the area to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 229030, 2,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units. It unloaded 15 boxes of ammunition, and 15 Iranians proceeded to distribute the boxes along the length of the communications trench located in the area.
- 10. At 0710 hours on 20 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, three rollers and eight dump trucks was observed building an earth road at co-ordinates 566200 and 573193, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 11. At 0710 hours on 20 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 693143, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 12. At 1000 hours on 20 February 1990, 30 Iranians were observed digging a new 70- to 80-metre-long slit trench to the south of hill 2187 at co-ordinates 36507, 3,000 metres from our I Army Corps units.
- 13. At 0955 hours on 21 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to install a cabin on the tower that they had erected on 20 February at co-ordinates 929857 opposite our III Army Corps units.
- 14. On 21 February 1990, nine tanks were observed at co-ordinates 928840, 935855 and 936872 and two vehicles were seen carrying 24 persons who were put down behind the second Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 9487. These incidents took place between 700 and 3,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 15. At 0950 hours on 21 February 1990, four Iranians were observed building two decks of reeds at co-ordinates 649508 and 647510, 3,000 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 16. At 0815 hours on 21 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an exacavator, a bulldozer, two rollers and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 573146, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 17. At 1330 hours on 21 February 1990, six dump trucks were observed carrying earth for the construction of a road at co-ordinates 634166, 1,200 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 18. At 1350 hours on 21 February 1990, four Iranians were observed digging two infantry positions at co-ordinates 552213, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 19. At 1530 hours on 21 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, seven dump trucks and a mechanical shovel was observed building a road at co-ordinates 519423, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 20. At 0805 hours on 21 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed strengthening and modifying an embankment at co-ordinates 275997, 500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 21. At 1910 hours on 21 February 1990, eight dump trucks were observed strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 465486, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 22. At 1630 hours on 21 February 1990, a large truck was observed carrying 10 semi-circular concrete beams and unloading them at co-ordinates 579195, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 23. At 1200 hours on 22 February 1990, a group was observed improving an old 30-metre-long communications trench to the south of Jalizat at co-ordinates 407850, 2,000 metres from our IV Army Corps units.
- 24. At 0820 hours on 22 February 1990, four Iranians installed a medium machine-gun at co-ordinates 548245, 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 25. At 1330 hours on 22 February 1990, three Iranians proceeded to build a wall consisting of 16 large barrels full of earth, on top of which they placed sand bags, in front of the Iranian guard post at co-ordinates 549215, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 26. At 0805 hours on 22 February 1990, a large truck equipped with a hoist was observed unloading its cargo of 10 semi-circular concrete sections at co-ordinates 276695, 500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 27. At 1200 hours on 22 February 1990, six Iranians were observed building a 2-metre-long and 2-metre-wide monitoring post of blocks and cement at co-ordinates 431531, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 28. At 0820 hours on 22 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed transporting earth to the embankment and mending a road at co-ordinates 274697, 500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 29. At 0950 hours on 23 February 1990, seven Iranians were observed digging a 100-metre-long slit trench to the south of Yusuf Hayy at co-ordinates 856807, 1,500 metres from our I Army Corps units.
- 30. At 0920 hours on 23 February 1990, an excavator was observed operating on the spit extending into the flooded area at co-ordinates 920887, 1,500 metres from our III Army Corps units.

- 31. At 1045 hours on 23 February 1990, the Iranians placed a surveying device on the first embankment at co-ordinates 949780, 1,200 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 32. At 1100 hours on 23 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to build an observation post on top of the earth mound at co-ordinates 945813, 1,300 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 33. At 1100 hours on 23 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to erect a 3-metre-high metal tower in front of position 43 at co-ordinates 935328, 3,500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 34. At 0640 hours on 23 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to dig a 25-metre-long communications trench to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 246023, 2,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units, so that the total length of the trench was 190 metres.
- 35. At 0640 hours on 23 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to dig a 10-metre-long communications trench to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 230039, 2,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units, so that the total length of the trench in the area was 160 metres.
- 36. At 1130 hours on 23 February 1990, four Iranians proceeded to place a steel shelter on a raft at co-ordinates 669519, 4,800 metres from our VI Army Corps units, and then returned by boat to the Iranian rear.
- 37. At 1540 hours on 23 February 1990, three Iranian boats of the mashhuf type carrying seven Iranians were observed at co-ordinates 660517, 2,500 metres from our VI Army Corps units, one of them approaching co-ordinates 644507. At 1610 hours, the boats returned to their point of departure.
- 38. At 0800 hours on 23 February 1990, an Iranian was observed fishing in the Shatt al-Arab at co-ordinates 545251, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 39. At 1230 hours on 23 February 1990, the Iranians were observed installing a single-barrel machine-gun at co-ordinates 547226, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 40. At 1400 hours on 23 February 1990, seven Iranians were observed installing a metal bunker in the Iranian Curve area at co-ordinates 547239, 850 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 41. At 1020 hours on 23 February 1990, eight Iranians with a forklift were observed building two rest bunkers of bricks and cement at co-ordinates 341583, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 42. At 1315 hours on 23 February 1990, 10 Iranians were observed building an L-shaped shelter at co-ordinates 044015, 3,000 metres from our II Army Corps units and, at 1800 hours on 24 February 1990, five Iranians proceeded to cover the roof of the shelter with earth.

- 43. At 0920 hours on 24 February 1990, and for the second consecutive day, an excavator was observed operating on the spit extending into the flooded area at co-ordinates 920887, 1,500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 44. At 0835 hours on 24 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to raise by another 15 metres the metal tower that they had installed on 23 February 1990 at co-ordinates 935328, 3,500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 45. At 0600 hours on 24 February 1990, 15 Iranian dump trucks were observed transporting earth to the road at co-ordinates 692142, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 46. At 1400 hours on 24 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a grader and 15 dump trucks was observed building an embankment at co-ordinates 693145, 1,800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 47. At 1730 hours on 24 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, two rollers and 17 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 566200, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 48. At 1000 hours on 24 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a roller and eight dump trucks was observed modifying an earth rampart at co-ordinates 496453, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 49. At 1620 hours on 24 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to dig a new position to the north of Kuhinah at co-ordinates 558994, 1,100 metres from our II Army Corps units.
- 50. At 1440 hours on 25 February 1990, 12 Iranians proceeded to dig a firing position between the two enemy positions at co-ordinates 495075, between 300 and 400 metres from our II Army Corps units.
- 51. At 1100 hours on 25 February 1990, 10 Iranians proceeded to dig two combat positions to the left of the Nakhlastan monitoring post at co-ordinates 62882, 1,200 metres from our II Army Corps units.
- 52. At 1020 hours on 25 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to build three shelters at co-ordinates 935328, 3,500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 53. At 1500 hours on 25 February 1990, the Iranians were observed building a 20-metre-long communications trench parallel to the Iranian position on the east bank of the Doveirij river opposite the Doveirij bridge at co-ordinates 404855, 1,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units.
- 54. At 0700 hours on 25 February 1990, 10 dump trucks were observed transporting earth at co-ordinates 668154, 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 55. At 0700 hours on 25 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, two rollers and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 566200, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 56. At 1610 hours on 25 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, two rollers and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 566200, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 57. At 1500 hours on 25 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to dig a slit trench at co-ordinates 547257, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 58. At 1650 hours on 25 February 1990, an Iranian boat carrying two Iranians and a Dushka machine-gun was seen close to the confluence of the Jawz with the Shatt al-Arab at co-ordinates 686146, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 59. At 0830 hours on 25 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed transporting earth and modifying an embankment at co-ordinates 274699, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 60. At 0840 hours on 25 February 1990, a large Faun truck equipped with a hoist was observed unloading seven semi-circular concrete sections at co-ordinates 275696, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 61. At 1110 hours on 25 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a roller and four dump trucks was observed building an earth rampart at co-ordinates 304614, 500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 62. At 1030 hours on 26 February 1990, 10 Iranians were observed strengthening and then manning one of the old positions at hill 1550 at co-ordinates 954489, 2,000 metres from our I Army Corps units.
- 63. At 0800 hours on 26 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed operating on the spit extending into the flooded area at co-ordinates 924971, 1,700 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 64. At 0945 hours on 26 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to build a guard post on the Iranian rampart at co-ordinates 930996, 2,700 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 65. At 0930 hours on 26 February 1990, 30 Iranians were observed strengthening the shelters on the first Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 935328, 3,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 66. Between 1445 and 1740 hours on 26 February 1990, the Iranians were observed adding another 60 metres to the communications trench running parallel to the Iranian position to the north of Musiyan at cc-ordinates 246023, 2,000 metres from our IV Army Corps units, so that the total length of the trench was 250 metres.
- 67. Between 0640 and 1600 hours on 26 February 1990, the Iranians were observed adding another 50 metres to the communications trench running parallel to the Iranian position to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 230029, 2,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units, so that the total length of the trench was 210 metres.

- 68. At 0700 hours on 26 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two rollers, a bulldozer and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 566200, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 69. At 0830 hours on 26 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a roller and 10 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 493366, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 70. At 1610 hours on 26 February 1990, two Iranians were observed installing a single-barrel machine-gun in the Iranian position at co-ordinates 553212, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 71. At 1625 hours on 26 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two rollers and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 566200, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 72. At 0810 hours on 26 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and nine dump trucks was observed modifying the earth rampart at co-ordinates 454496, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 73. At 0830 hours on 26 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed transporting earth and modifying an embankment at co-ordinates 272699, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 74. At 0900 hours on 26 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a roller and five dump trucks was observed modifying the earth rampart at co-ordinates 308591, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 75. At 1700 hours on 27 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to build, but did not man, a firing position of sand bags and corrugated iron with an embrasure at the front at co-ordinates 560991, 1,200 metres from our II Army Corps units.
- 76. At 1100 hours on 27 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to lay a water drainage pipe at co-ordinates 990743, 700 metres from our III Army Corps Units.
- 77. At 0700 hours on 27 February 1990, the Iranians were observed adding another 25 metres to the communications trench to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 230029, 2,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units, so that the total length of the trench was 235 metres.
- 78. At 1630 hours on 27 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, nine dump trucks, two rollers and a bulldozer was observed building a road at co-ordinates 566200, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 79. At 1645 hours on 27 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed modifying an embankment at co-ordinates 666154, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 80. At 0700 hours on 27 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two rollers, a bulldozer, an excavator and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 566200, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 81. At 0800 hours on 27 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a roller and nine dump trucks was observed strengthening an earth rampart at co-ordinates 454496, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 82. At 0830 hours on 27 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of four dump trucks was observed strengthening an earth rampart at co-ordinates 308592, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 83. At 0845 hours on 27 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed strengthening an earth rampart at co-ordinates 304635, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 84. On 27 February 1990, the Iranian engineering unit continued to work on the spit extending into the flooded area at co-ordinates 920971, 1,600 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 85. At 0820 hours on 27 February 1990, three dump trucks were observed unloading earth on the spit extending into the flooded area at co-ordinates 923971, 2,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 86. At 0800 hours on 28 February 1990, the Iranians proceeded to make openings for the shelters they had built at co-ordinates 930320, 3,500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 87. At 0700 hours on 28 February 1990, the Iranians were observed adding unother 20 metres to the communications trench running parallel to the Iranian position to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 230029, 3,000 metres from our IV Army Corps units, so that the total length of trench completed was 255 metres.
- 88. At 0830 hours on 28 February 1990, eight Iranians were observed building a rest shelter of mud on the east bank of the Doveirij river to the north of Ayn Karzan at co-ordinates 256004, 1,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units.
- 89. At 0700 hours on 28 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, two rollers and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 566200, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 90. At 0700 hours on 28 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and 10 dump trucks was observed modifying an embankment at co-ordinates 666154, 800 metres from VII Army Corps units.
- 91. At 0800 hours on 28 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and five dump trucks was observed levelling an embankment at co-ordinates 271699, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 92. At 0830 hours on 28 February 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of nine dump trucks was observed transporting earth in order to modify an earth rampart at co-ordinates 454496, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 93. On 28 February 1990, the Iranian engineering unit continued its work on the spit extending into the flooded area at co-ordinates 920971, 2,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.

#### Flooding operation

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

## 94. 20 February 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 70-170 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-170 centimetres.

## 95. 21 February 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-170 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-175 centimetres.

## 96. 22 February 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-170 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-175 centimetres.

## 97. 23 February 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-170 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-180 centimetres.

## 98. 24 February 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;

Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-170 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-175 centimetres.

# 99. 25 February 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;

Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-170 centimetres;

Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-175 centimetres.

## 100. 26 February 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;

Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-170 centimetres;

Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-170 centimetres.

## 101. 27 February 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;

Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-170 centimetres;

Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-175 centimetres.

#### 102. 28 February 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;

Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-170 centimetres;

Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-175 centimetres.

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

(<u>Signed</u>) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI Ambassador Permanent Representative

