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Letter dated 12 March 1990 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.

I have further the honour to request that the message be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 72, 143 and 146 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Noor Ahmad NOOR
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Message dated 8 March 1990 from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan addressed to the Secretary-General

The Government of Pakistan, violating all its commitments and trampling underfoot all moral and political norms, has recently committed yet another monstrous crime in our country, by plotting and staging an abortive but bloody coup through its agent, Shanawas Tanai, and in collusion with Gulbuddin Hekmatyar. The Pakistani Government's participation and leading role in this connection is fully evident. The Government of the Republic of Afghanistan is in possession of undeniable documents and other evidences which prove this fact. After realizing that their plot had failed, the criminals flew to Pakistan in an aircraft belonging to the armed forces of the Republic of Afghanistan, carrying to the country a significant sum of State-owned money. We have solid information indicating that in case of failure the question of their eventual acceptance by the Government of Pakistan had been agreed upon in advance between the plotters and Pakistani authorities.

I would like to draw Your Excellency's attention to the fact that this criminal Pakistani conspiracy is carried out in our country at a time when real possibilities and favourable conditions for achieving a political solution for the problems relating to Afghanistan have emerged and hopes for bringing peace and tranquillity to our country is on the rise. This attempt by the Government of Pakistan is, in fact, the employment of its last military resource in our country, which ended in ignominious defeat, meeting the deep hatred and indignation of our people. As a result of this failed coup, our country suffered great human and material losses.

The Government of the Republic of Afghanistan considers this bloody attempt a blatant interference in our internal affairs and aggression against our country carried out in continuation of Pakistan's persistent policy of violating the Geneva Agreements and sabotaging the restoration of peace in our country. The Government of Afghanistan considers it to be its absolute right to demand from the Government of Pakistan, on the basis of accepted norms of international law, the return of the criminals to Afghanistan to face trial as well as of the State-owned money and property which they have taken with them.

The Government of the Republic of Afghanistan considers the Pakistani criminal plot to be in total contradiction to your efforts to seek a political solution for the problems of Afghanistan. We hope that Your Excellency, as a friend of the people of Afghanistan and a patron of peace in our country, would, on the basis of your mandate under the Geneva Agreements and the resolution of the General Assembly at its forty-fourth session, impress on the Government of Pakistan to immediately and categorically stop interference in our internal affairs and aggression against our country as well as to end sabotaging the achievement of accord among the Afghans.

We would like to assure you that with the repulsion of criminal Shahnawas Tanai the path to reconciliation and political solution has been further paved. The presence of this individual in the post of minister of defence and his collusion with extremist Gulbuddin constituted a significant obstacle to the achievement of political accord. The process of ensuring peace and democracy in Afghanistan is irreversible and the Government of the Republic of Afghanistan is determined to intensify its efforts towards the achievement of a political solution on the basis of national reconciliation, which enjoys the full support of the people of Afghanistan.