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OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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 1840 hours on 10 September 1988, an enemy bulldozer was observed in no man's land at a distance of 400 metres from our III Army Corps units and 115 metres from the enemy units.
2. At 1840 hours on 10 September 1988, a group of enemy personnel estimated at four or five in number proceeded to dig a slit-trench between enemy positions at a distance of 150 metres from the forward perimeter of our II Army Corps positions.
3. At 1920 hours on 10 September 1988, the enemy proceeded to erect a barrier to block the road leading to the enemy positions (Tulul Ibrahim area) opposite our II Army Corps units. The distance from the forward perimeter of our units to the site of the action was 1 kilometre, and the barrier was 9 metres long.
4. At 2010 hours on 10 September 1988, the enemy fired six regular rounds from forward positions in the village of Di Jawar in the direction of our I Army Corps forward units and at a distance from them of 1 kilometre.
5. A group of enemy personnel was observed erecting a metal tower 20 metres in height at a distance of 2 kilometres behind enemy defences and 7 kilometres from our IV Army Corps forward units. At 1310 hours on 10 September 1988, a large truck carrying a group of enemy personnel was observed on the left flank of the Musian area within the IV Army Corps.
6. Enemy engineering activities were noted at various locations opposite our units in the IV Army Corps sector.
7. At 1615 hours on 10 September 1988, enemy engineering activity was observed involving a roller and two dump trucks endeavouring to build a road opposite our VII Army Corps positions.
8. At 1715 hours, hostile engineering activity was observed involving three dump trucks, a roller and a bulldozer constructing an embankment in the direction of the west bank around Abadan.

9. At 1100 hours on 11 September 1988, the enemy proceeded to make three openings of 3 metres in width along the enemy road in the III Army Corps sector.
10. The enemy increased the height of the metal tower opposite our IV Army Corps sector by another 2 metres, so that it was of a total height of 21 metres.
11. An enemy infantry detachment was observed to the east of the Doveyrij River engaged in training activities at a distance of between 800 and 1,000 metres from the forward perimeter of our IV Army Corps units.
12. At 1045 hours on 11 September 1988, the enemy proceeded to install a machine-gun emplacement on the northern drainage barrage at Haql Majnun. A truck was observed carrying 20 enemy personnel who dismounted at the above-mentioned location.
13. At 1015 hours on 11 September 1988, the enemy placed four persons on the southern drainage barrage at a distance of 1,800 metres from the forward perimeter of our VI Army Corps units.
14. Between 0850 hours and 1015 hours, engineering activities were observed at numerous locations opposite our VII Army Corps units. The involved proceeded to demolish a building and improve the enemy embankment.
15. Between 0600 hours and 1010 hours on 11 September 1988, engineering activities were observed at numerous enemy positions in which the enemy proceeded to improve its embankment opposite our VII Army Corps units.
16. On 9 September 1988, the enemy was observed developing a separate communications trench within its former positions in the direction of our units in the II Army Corps sector.
17. At 1230 hours on 11 September 1988, five enemy personnel were observed on the summit of Mount Kufhah constructing a guard post inside Iranian territory at a distance of 2,300 metres from the forward perimeter of our units in the V Army Corps sector.
18. Between 1600 hours and 1630 hours on 11 September 1988, enemy engineering activities were observed for the construction of a road opposite our forward units in the VII Army Corps sector.
19. Between 1605 hours and 1730 hours on 11 September 1988, three engineering actions were observed in which the enemy proceeded to elevate and spread earth around the Iranian barrage constructed to the south of Hawz Abadan.
20. The enemy set up a medium machine-gun opposite our forward positions in the VII Army Corps sector.
21. At 1600 hours on 11 September 1988, a helicopter landed for a period of one minute in front of our units covering the distant villages opposite the village of Musian facing our IV Army Corps units.

22. The enemy installed an observation post to the east of the Doveyrij River.

23. At 1810 hours on 11 September 1988, three enemy personnel were observed cutting reeds at a distance of 150 metres in front of the enemy embankment within the III Army Corps sector.

24. At 1830 hours on 11 September 1988, the enemy fired three RPG7 grenades and a number of rounds from light weapons in the direction of our forward positions in the V Army Corps sector.

The competent Iraqi authorities have informed the United Nations Observer Group in Baghdad of these violations.

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

(Signed) Ismat KITTANI  
Permanent Representative

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