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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 0700 hours on 1 March 1990, the Iranians were seen to be adding another 20 metres to the communications trench opposite the Iranian position to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 230021, 2,000 metres from our IV Army Corps units, so that the total length of the trench completed was 275 metres.
2. At 0700 hours on 1 March 1990, 10 dump trucks were observed carrying earth to the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 666154, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
3. At 0725 hours on 1 March 1990, nine dump trucks were observed carrying earth for the construction of a road at co-ordinates 628163, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
4. At 1620 hours on 1 March 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 567198, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
5. At 0805 hours on 1 March 1990, a khaki-coloured Iranian helicopter was observed coming from the Iranian rear and landing at co-ordinates 3171, 4,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
6. At 0900 hours on 1 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed increasing the height of the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 266704, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
7. At 1615 hours on 1 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed increasing the height of the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 414554, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
8. At 1630 hours on 1 March 1990, a truck was observed unloading blocks at co-ordinates 403565, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

9. At 0900 hours on 2 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and eight dump trucks was observed strengthening a road at co-ordinates 493338, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
10. At 0920 hours on 2 March 1990, an Iranian forklift was observed moving four semicircular concrete sections behind the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 275696, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
11. At 1100 hours on 3 March 1990, four Iranians were observed building a new observation post of stones, 1.5 metres high and roofed with corrugated iron, on the Fir'awn summit at co-ordinates 325957, 2,000 metres from our V Army Corps units.
12. At 0710 hours on 3 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, two rollers and 10 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 566203, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
13. On 3 March 1990, the Iranian engineering unit continued to work on strengthening the spit extending into the flooded area at co-ordinates 923971, 2,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.
14. At 0950 hours on 4 March 1990, the Iranians proceeded to build a guard post on the Iranian rampart at co-ordinates 925885, 2,200 metres from our III Army Corps units.
15. At 0800 hours on 4 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and a dump truck was observed working on the spit extending into the flooded area at co-ordinates 923971, 2,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.
16. On 4 March 1990, the Iranians proceeded to build six shelters at co-ordinates 918341, 920339, 922333, 921330, 920337 and 920393, 2,500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
17. At 0700 hours on 4 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a grader and 10 dump trucks was observed mending a road at co-ordinates 666154, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
18. At 0730 hours on 4 March 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 566205, 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
19. At 0930 hours on 4 March 1990, four Iranians were observed erecting a wire antenna at co-ordinates 660157, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
20. At 1000 hours on 4 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of nine dump trucks was observed carrying earth from the Iranian rear to the road at co-ordinates 457497, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
21. At 1030 hours on 4 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and six dump trucks was observed increasing the height of an embankment at co-ordinates 404565, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

22. At 1630 hours on 5 March 1990, three new Iranian positions were observed at co-ordinates 722473, 1,200 metres from our II Army Corps units.
23. At 0830 hours on 5 March 1990, an Iranian excavator was observed strengthening the road leading to the Iranian ambush position in no man's land at co-ordinates 924887, 2,200 metres from our III Army Corps units.
24. At 0625 hours on 5 March 1990, the Iranians proceeded to build a firing position and a rest position of mud behind the east bank of the Doveirij river at co-ordinates 325953, 2,000 metres from our IV Army Corps units.
25. At 0925 hours on 5 March 1990, a mechanical shovel was observed improving the Iranian embankment running parallel to the front east of the Anbar river control post and north of Markash at co-ordinates 331967, 2,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units.
26. At 1600 hours on 5 March 1990, the Iranians proceeded to add another 15 metres to the communications trench between their positions to the east of the Doveirij river at co-ordinates 246023, 2,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units, so that the total length of the trench was 265 metres.
27. At 0800 hours on 5 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a roller, a grader and 16 dump trucks was observed widening the curve at co-ordinates 666154, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
28. Between 1600 and 1750 hours on 5 March 1990, four tractor-trailers and three forklifts were observed unloading concrete sections at co-ordinates 608173, 614167 and 627174, between 700 and 1,900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
29. At 1630 hours on 5 March 1990, 10 Iranians were observed rebuilding the single-barrel machine-gun position at co-ordinates 552212, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
30. At 0800 hours on 5 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed carrying earth to the opposite bank of the Shatt al-Arab and there levelling it at co-ordinates 239718, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
31. At 0830 hours on 5 March 1990, four trucks were observed carrying earth from the rear to the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 275696, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
32. At 0830 hours on 5 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and six dump trucks was observed increasing the height of an embankment at co-ordinates 401569, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
33. At 0920 hours on 5 March 1990, five Iranians were observed building a rest bunker of blocks and cement at co-ordinates 404565, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

34. At 1600 hours on 5 March 1990, the Iranians installed a BKC machine-gun and a quantity of ammunition in the Iranian monitoring post at co-ordinates 927837, 200 metres from our III Army Corps units.
35. At 1010 hours on 6 March 1990, 12 Iranians proceeded to build a rest bunker among their positions at co-ordinates 582498, 1,000 metres from our II Army Corps units.
36. At 0900 hours on 6 March 1990, the Iranians proceeded to build a guard post on the first Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 927891, 2,600 metres from our III Army Corps units.
37. At 0900 hours on 6 March 1990, an Iranian excavator was observed strengthening the road leading to the Iranian ambush position in no man's land at co-ordinates 924887, 2,200 metres from our III Army Corps units.
38. At 0715 hours on 6 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two bulldozers, a roller and 14 dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 569198, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
39. At 0835 hours on 6 March 1990, 10 dump trucks were observed carrying earth from the rear to the Iranian road at co-ordinates 492365, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
40. At 0900 hours on 6 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and a roller was observed building a road at co-ordinates 615168, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
41. At 1020 hours on 6 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators and eight dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 507372, 1,500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
42. At 1020 hours on 6 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a grader and seven dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 519405, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
43. At 1100 hours on 6 March 1990, three tractor-trailers and a forklift were observed unloading concrete sections at co-ordinates 603178, 1,300 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
44. At 1610 hours on 6 March 1990, six tractor-trailers and three forklifts were observed unloading concrete sections at co-ordinates 587184, 750 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
45. At 0830 hours on 6 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a grader and four dump trucks was observed modifying the earth rampart at co-ordinates 303622, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

46. At 0905 hours on 6 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed carrying earth from the Iranian rear to the forward embankment at co-ordinates 279694, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
47. At 0930 hours on 6 March 1990, eight Iranians were observed building a position of sandbags on the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 276695, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
48. At 1025 hours on 6 March 1990, the Iranians proceeded to build three positions of sandbags on the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 277695, 275697 and 274698, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
49. At 0650 hours on 6 March 1990, a Poclain excavator was observed digging a canal to the north of Musiyan at co-ordinates 241041, 4,000 metres from our IV Army Corps units.
50. At 0900 hours on 7 March 1990, an excavator was observed, together with a dump truck, strengthening the spit leading to the Iranian ambush position at co-ordinates 922887, 2,200 metres from our III Army Corps units.
51. At 0735 hours on 7 March 1990, the Iranians proceeded to add another 15 metres to the communications trench between their positions to the east of the Doveirij river at co-ordinates 246023, 2,500 metres from our IV Army Corps units, so that the total length of the trench was 280 metres.
52. At 0700 hours on 7 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and a dump truck was observed building a road at co-ordinates 517379, 1,600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
53. At 0800 hours on 7 March 1990, a dump truck was observed unloading steel shelters at co-ordinates 569198, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
54. At 1630 hours on 7 March 1990, a bulldozer was observed modifying the Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 278694, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
55. At 1615 hours on 7 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a tractor-trailer and a forklift was observed building concrete positions at co-ordinates 621174, 1,400 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
56. At 1700 hours on 7 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two tractor-trailers and two forklifts was observed unloading concrete positions at co-ordinates 615167, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
57. At 0815 hours on 8 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was observed working on the spit extending into the flooded area in no man's land at co-ordinates 926971, 2,300 metres from our III Army Corps units.

58. At 1100 hours on 8 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of six excavators, four bulldozers and a number of dump trucks was observed building a 50-metre-long spit in front of the rampart in the flooded area in no man's land at co-ordinates 929163, 2,400 metres from our III Army Corps units.

59. At 0630 hours on 8 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer and 10 dump trucks was observed carrying earth from the rear to strengthen a road at co-ordinates 521385, 1,500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

60. At 0750 hours on 8 March 1990, 12 sections for concrete shelters were seen being unloaded at co-ordinates 553211, 750 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

61. At 0750 hours on 8 March 1990, six dump trucks were observed building up an earth road and constructing a rampart at co-ordinates 569198, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

62. At 1100 hours on 8 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and six dump trucks was observed building up a road at co-ordinates 497372, 750 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

63. At 0815 hours on 8 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and eight dump trucks was observed strengthening a road at co-ordinates 453498, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

64. At 0850 hours on 8 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three dump trucks and an excavator was observed modifying the earth rampart at co-ordinates 354599, 1,000 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

65. At 1000 hours on 8 March 1990, the Iranians proceeded to dig a new guard post among their positions at co-ordinates 148806, 800 metres from our II Army Corps units.

66. At 0900 hours on 9 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer, a roller, a grader and four dump trucks was observed strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 305616, 500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

67. At 1930 hours on 9 March 1990, an Iranian excavator was observed levelling the embankment at co-ordinates 344586, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

68. At 0840 hours on 10 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and four dump trucks was observed working on the spit extending into the flooded area in no man's land at co-ordinates 926971, 2,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.

69. At 0700 hours on 10 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer, a roller, a grader and five dump trucks was observed building up a road at co-ordinates 535299, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

70. At 0800 hours on 10 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and nine dump trucks was observed building a road at co-ordinates 517379, 1,300 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

71. At 0800 hours on 10 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of eight dump trucks was observed building up an earth road at co-ordinates 563202, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

72. At 0845 hours on 10 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators and 12 dump trucks was observed mending a road at co-ordinates 694143, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

73. At 0840 hours on 10 March 1990, two Iranian trucks were observed carrying semicircular concrete sections and unloading them at co-ordinates 561209, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

74. At 1600 hours on 10 March 1990, an Iranian tractor-trailer loaded with semicircular concrete sections was observed being unloaded by a forklift at co-ordinates 627174 and 637178, 1,200 and 1,800 metres respectively from our VII Army Corps units.

75. At 1630 hours on 10 March 1990, two Iranians on a raft were observed entering the marsh near the pipeline overpass and tying a fishing net at co-ordinates 653157, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

76. At 1715 hours on 10 March 1990, two tractor-trailers carrying semicircular concrete sections were observed being unloaded by a forklift at co-ordinates 615167, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

77. At 0830 hours on 10 March 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of eight dump trucks was observed strengthening a road at co-ordinates 455499, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

78. At 1010 hours on 10 March 1990, four Iranian dump trucks were observed carrying earth to the forward embankment at co-ordinates 387584, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

79. Between 1200 and 1645 hours on 10 March 1990, 12 persons were observed adding another 20 metres to the communications trench between the Iranian positions behind the east bank of the Doveirij river and to the east of Musiyan at co-ordinates 247023, 2,500 metres from our VII Army Corps units, so that the total length of the trench was 300 metres.

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:

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80. 1 March 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.

81. 2 March 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.

82. 3 March 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, 0-165 centimetres.

83. 4 March 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.

84. 5 March 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.

85. 6 March 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.

86. 7 March 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-160 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-170 centimetres.

87. 8 March 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-150 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-170 centimetres.

88. 9 March 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-160 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-165 centimetres.

89. 10 March 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 65-165 centimetres;
Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 0-165 centimetres.

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

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