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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:

- 1. At 2150 hours on 20 April 1990, an Iranian column consisting of seven vehicles was observed advancing from the rear to the Iranian positions east of the Doveyrich river at co-ordinates 438829, 462801 and 484786, opposite Cham Hendi and Makhfar Baray and within the general area of the Iranian positions, 3-7 kilometres from our IV Army Corps units.
- 2. At 0630 hours on 21 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and 10 dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 668156, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 3. At 0700 hours on 21 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and seven dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 549349, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 4. At 0920 hours on 21 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a grader and 10 dump trucks was seen mending an embankment at co-ordinates 385585, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 5. At 0940 hours on 21 April 1990, five Iranian dump trucks were seen raising the level of an embankment at co-ordinates 373595, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 6. At 1100 hours on 21 April 1990, three Iranian dump trucks were seen carrying earth to the embankment at co-ordinates 283688, 500 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 7. At 2315 hours on 21 April 1990, the Iranians fired 10 shots from a medium-range machine-gun in the direction of the I Army Corps, 38th Brigade, sector from the hill 2231 area at co-ordinates 697628, 1,800 metres from the units of the above-mentioned Army Corps.

- 8. At 1230 hours on 22 April 1990, an Iranian bulldozer was seen building a mound south of hill 2039 within the Iranian positions at co-ordinates 733635, 1,300 metres from our I Army Corps units. The circumference of the mound is estimated at 15 metres and its height at 2 metres.
- 9. At 1000 hours on 22 April 1990, the Iranians dug three positions inside their positions south of the Kanjan dam at co-ordinates 139698, 2,000 metres from our II Army Corps units. The distance between each position and the next is 15 metres.
- 10. At 0700 hours on 22 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a grader and six dump trucks was seen strengthening the embankment at co-ordinates 548257, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 11. At 0900 hours on 22 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a bulldozer and three dump trucks was seen mending the embankment at co-ordinates 283688, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 12. At 0930 hours on 22 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and seven dump trucks was seen mending the embankment at co-ordinates 385587, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 13. At 1225 hours on 22 April 1990, a column consisting of six vehicles was observed coming from the Iranian rear and entering the Iranian embankment west of Shuja' at co-ordinates 505695, 3,000 metres from our IV Army Corps units.
- 14. At 1240 hours on 23 April 1990, the Iranians erected a 14-metre-long dual-strand barbed wire fence with seven uprights around the Iranian post at co-ordinates 635204, 250 metres from our II Army Corps units.
- 15. At 1600 hours on 23 April 1990, the Iranians continued, for the fifteenth successive day, the operations of the engineering unit consisting of eight dump trucks, two bulldozers, an excavator and a fork-lift on the improvement and rearrangement of its defensive position in the Curve area at co-ordinates 582721, 1,200 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 16. At 0650 hours on 23 April 1990, nine dump trucks were seen carrying earth to the embankment at co-ordinates 547251, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 17. At 0650 hours on 23 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and eight dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 669155, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 18. At 0850 hours on 23 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and five dump trucks was seen removing earth from the Shatt al-Arab at co-ordinates 358595, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 19. At 0900 hours on 23 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and three dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 281693, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 20. At 1000 hours on 23 April 1990, a fork-lift was seen positioning six semicircular concrete sections to the rear of the embankment on Hajj Salbukh island at co-ordinates 308594, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 21. At 0900 hours on 24 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit was seen operating on the spit extending from the Iranian rampart to the Iranian ambush position in no man's land at co-ordinates 920971, 1,900 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 22. At 1600 hours on 24 April 1990, the Iranians continued, for the sixteenth successive day, the operations of the engineering unit consisting of eight dump trucks and four excavators on the improvement and rearrangement of its defensive position at co-ordinates 582721, 1,200 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 23. At 0710 hours on 24 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a grader and six dump trucks was strengthening the embankment at co-ordinates 547251, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 24. At 0850 hours on 24 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and a dump truck was seen strengthening the embankment at co-ordinates 283689, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 25. At 1630 hours on 24 April 1990, the Iranians set up a camp at the Dukan garrison at co-ordinates 395885, 6,500 metres from our I Army Corps units. The camp comprises between 30 and 33 tents and flies the Iranian flag. Twenty-five Iranian armed forces personnel were seen levelling the ground over a distance of 30 metres at the crossroads in the garrison itself.
- 26. At 0725 hours on 24 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a Poclain excavator and two dump trucks was seen removing a portion of the earth spit at co-ordinates 945802, 500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 27. At 1910 hours on 24 April 1990, the Iranians built an unroofed firing position of sandbags on the first Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 984755, 1,000 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 28. At 0805 hours on 25 April 1990, the Iranians set up a 20-metre-long line of cork sections on the section of road that was stripped on 19 March 1990 at co-ordinates 943818, 500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 29. On 25 April 1990, conspicuous activity due to the movement of Iranian boats estimated to number 13 was observed in no man's land north of the Dasm dam in the restricted zone between co-ordinates 1562715 and 605684, 2,000 to 2,500 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 30. On 25 April 1990, the Iranians were still continuing the operations of the engineering unit consisting of eight dump trucks and four excavators in the Curve area at co-ordinates 582721 in the VI Army Corps zone.
- 31. At 0730 hours on 25 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of two excavators, a bulldozer and 10 dump trucks was seen mending an embankment at co-ordinates 547254, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 32. At 0915 hours on 25 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator, a bulldozer and six dump trucks was seen unloading earth into the southern Abadan channel at co-ordinates 357596, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 33. At 0925 hours on 25 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and five dump trucks was seen levelling earth on the embankment at co-ordinates 368595, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 34. At 1400 hours on 25 April 1990, a fork-lift was seen positioning three concrete pipes to the rear of the earth rampart on Hajj Salbukh island at co-ordinates 308594, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 35. At 1900 hours on 25 April 1990, the Iranians completed the ground link between the southern Abadan channel and Hajj Salbukh island at co-ordinates 357597, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 36. Between 15 and 25 April 1990, the Iranians dug a slit trench with a Poclain excavator north of Musian. The trench is 2,900 metres long and passes through co-ordinates 238058, 245053, 242050, 249044, 247044, 245046, 241048 and 239049, inside the Iranians' positions and 4,000 to 5,000 metres from our IV Army Corps units.
- 37. On 26 April 1990, conspicuous activity due to the movement of Iranian boats estimated to number eight was observed in no man's land south of the Dasm dam at co-ordinates 523747, 588706, 592736, 589724 and 585757, 1,000 to 2,000 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 38. On 26 April 1990, the Iranians continued the operations of the engineering unit consisting of eight dump trucks, three bulldozers and two excavators in the Curve area at co-ordinates 582721, 1,200 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 39. At 0700 hours on 26 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting cf an excavator and eight dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 674154, 1,300 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 40. At 0930 hours on 26 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and five dump trucks was seen carrying earth to the bridge linking the southern Abadan channel with Hajj Salbukh island at co-ordinates 357596, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 41. At 1820 hours on 26 April 1990, an Iranian excavator was seen raising the height of the earth embankment at co-ordinates 249717, 600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 42. At 1100 hours on 27 April 1990, an Iranian bulldozer was seen building a 10-metre-long embankment at the Iranian mound north of the village of Kaivard at co-ordinates 547728, 2,500 metres from our I Army Corps units.

- 43. On 27 April 1990, conspicuous activity due to the movement of nine Iranian boats was observed in no man's land north and south of the Dasm dam at co-ordinates 589718, 606713, 593741, 597755, 605743, 593782 and 604735 and in two cases at co-ordinates 598724, 1,000 to 2,000 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 44. On 27 April 1990, the Iranians were still continuing, for the nineteenth successive day, the operations of the engineering unit in the Curve area, at co-ordinates 582721, 1,200 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 45. At 0630 hours on 27 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an overburden excavator and five dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 681154, 1,400 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 46. At 0710 hours on 27 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 548247, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 47. At 1610 hours on 27 April 1990, four dump trucks were seen carrying earth from the rear to the embankment at co-ordinates 547235, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 48. At 1945 hours on 27 April 1990, an Iranian grader was seen levelling the forward embankment at co-ordinates 365595, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 49. At 0830 hours on 28 April 1990, a white-coloured Iranian helicopter was observed coming from the Saddamiyah area to Al-Asghar at an altitude of 200 to 300 metres and returning on the same flight to the Iranian rear, 10 to 12 kilometres from our IV Army Corps units.
- 50. On 28 April 1990, conspicuous activity due to the movement of nine Iranian boats was observed in no man's land north and south of the Dasm dam at co-ordinates 598747, 588759, 587767 and 589768 and in two instances at co-ordinates 594733 and 593758, 1,000 to 2,000 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 51. At 0630 hours on 28 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and six dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 669155, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 52. At 0745 hours on 28 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 548244, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 53. At 1630 hours on 28 April 1990, the Iranians built a one-square-metre guard post of sandbags at co-ordinates 517399, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 54. At 1630 hours on 28 April 1990, five Iranians were seen setting up a single-barrel machine-gun at co-ordinates 65561, 2,000 metres from our V Army Corps units.

- 55. At 1000 hours on 29 April 1990, the Iranians set up a single-barrel machine-qun at co-ordinates 64535, 2,000 metres from our V Army Corps units.
- 56. On 29 April 1990, conspicuous activity due to the movement of three Iranian boats was observed in no man's land north and south of the Dasm dam at co-ordinates 587738, 596718 and 603745, 1,000 to 2,000 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 57. At 0830 hours on 29 April 1990, the Iranians set up a single-barrel machine-gun near the Iranian observation post in the Curve area at co-ordinates 582721, 1,200 metres from our VI Army Corps units.
- 58. At 0630 hours on 29 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and five dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 669155, 1,100 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 59. At 0700 hours on 29 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and eight dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 548237, 900 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 60. At 0915 hours on 29 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of a grader, a roller and three dump trucks was seen carrying earth from the rear to the forward embankment and mending the road parallel to the Shatt al-Arab at co-ordinates 413552, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 61. At 0940 hours on 29 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and four dump trucks was seen carrying earth from the rear to the bridge connecting the southern Abadan channel with Hajj Salbukh island and raising the height of an earth rampart at co-ordinates 357596, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 62. At 0940 hours on 29 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of three graders, a roller and a bulldozer was seen levelling an embankment at co-ordinates 404565, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 63. At 1700 hours on 29 April 1990, three bulldozers were seen strengthening the road linking the first Iranian embankment with the Iranian monitoring sone at co-ordinates 920971, 1,600 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 64. At 0840 hours on 30 April 1990, the Iranians built a guard post of sandbags on the spit extending in front of the first Iranian embankment at co-ordinates 943811, 300 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 65. At 0645 hours on 30 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and six dump trucks was seen strengthening an embankment at co-ordinates 547235, 800 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 66. At 0715 hours on 30 April 1990, five Iranians were seen improving and fortifying a guard post of sandbags at co-ordinates 563202, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.

- 67. At 0940 hours on 30 April 1990, an Iranian engineering unit consisting of an excavator and three dump trucks was seen carrying earth from the rear to the southern Abadan channel bridge at co-ordinates 357596, 700 metres from our VII Army Corps units.
- 68. At 1930 hours on 30 April 1990, the Iranians pitched a tent north of hill 1756 at co-ordinates 706646, 1,500 metres from our I Army Corps units.
- 69. At 1825 hours on 30 April 1990, the Iranians built a guard post of blocks at co-ordinates 927846, 500 metres from our III Army Corps units.
- 70. At 1835 hours on 30 April 1990, a group of Iranians estimated to number 20, with pick-up trucks, a motor cycle and a motor boat carrying a single-barrel machine-gun, was seen loading the trucks with block sections from the old Iranian positions and carrying them towards the rear in the direction of the Iranian observation post. The Iranian flag was also raised. The above took place at co-ordinates 581599, 1,330 metres from our VI 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:

# 71. 21 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 35-160 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 8-140 centimetres.

# 72. 22 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 30-160 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 8-140 centimetres.

# 73. 23 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 30-160 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 5-135 centimetres.

#### 74. 24 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 30-160 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 5-135 centimetres.

# 75. 25 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 25-157 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 5-135 centimetres.

# 76. 26 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 25-157 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 5-130 centimetres.

# 77. 27 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 30-155 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 5-130 centimetres.

# 78. 28 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 30-155 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 3-130 centimetres.

# 79. 29 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-80 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 30-155 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 3-130 centimetres.

# 80. 30 April 1990

Between co-ordinates 678327 and 902203, 0-85 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902203 and 902904, 30-150 centimetres; Between co-ordinates 902904 and 989731, 30-130 centimetres.

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

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