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NOTE VERBALE DATED 3 JANUARY 1994 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL*

The Secretary-General presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by UNPROFOR regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 21 December 1993 and 2 January 1994, there appear to have been 65 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are attached as annex I to the present note verbale. Additionally, there appear to have been 10 flights on 18 December 1993 not previously reported. Details as to the itinerary of these flights are given in annex II.

Please note that the total number of flights assessed is now 1,164. It should be noted that in the report dated 22 December 1993 (S/24900/Add.103), the total number of flights as apparent violations should have read 1,089.

^{*} Previous information received by UNPROFOR regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina is contained in documents S/24900 and Add.1-103.

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

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Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
1122	20 Dec	0843	0853	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter with a blue stripe and red cross 12 kilometres south-east of Vitez heading south. The helicopter landed at a prepared site 22 kilometres south of Vitez. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South Slow Low
1123	20 Dec	1019	1019	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a black helicopter landing 33 kilometres north-east of Banja Luka. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Landing Stow Low
1124	21 Dec	1105	1515	This flight began as an approved Medevac from Pale to Zvornik and return but became a violation because United Nations Military Observers were denied access to the landing site at Zvornik to inspect the flight. The unauthorized flight of this helicopter occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North-east Slow Low
1125	21 Dec	1156	1200	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a white helicopter landing at a sportsfield 5 kilometres south-east of Zenica. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-west Low Unknown
1126	21 Dec	1602	1603	The United Nations Military Observers team at Zenica observed a helicopter with a red cross flying in the area of Zenica. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Unknown Unknown Unknown
1127	22 Dec	1558	1602	AWACS made radar contact 20 kilometres north-west of Posusje heading north-east. Radar contact was lost 10 kilometres south-west of Gorni Vakuf. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east Slow Low
1128	22 Dec	1655	1700	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres north-east of Posusje. NATO fighter aircraft were sent to investigate and made visual contact with a helicopter. The fighter aircraft shadowed the helicopter to a point 20 kilometres north-west of Posusje. The unauthorized flight of this helicopter occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-west 120 knots 5,000 feet
1129	22 Dec	2303	2346	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres north of Gorni Vakuf heading south. Radar contact was lost in the vicinity of Posusje. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South 85 knots 6,000 feet

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Remarks	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres south of Posusje heading north. The contact continued north and orbited at a position 10 kilometres south of Gorni Vakuf. A few minutes later the contact headed south to its original position. The contact then turned north and was lost 5 kilometres north of Posusje. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	United Nations Military Observers observed a Gazelle flying over Pale heading north. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	United Nations Military Observers observed a MI-8 helicopter with a red cross flying over Zenica heading south-west. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Merzegovina.	United Nations Military Observers observed a MI-8 helicopter with a red cross flying north-east and landing at Zenica. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	United Nations Military Observers observed a MI-8 helicopter with a red cross flying over Zenica heading south-west. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	United Nations Military Observers observed a MI-8 helicopter with a red cross flying north-east and landing at Zenica. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	United Nations Military Observers observed a MI-8 helicopter with a red cross, registration number T9-HAG, landing at the Zenica hospital. Seven wounded soldiers were taken off the helicopter and taken to the hospital. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	United Nations Military Observers observed a MI-8 helicopter with a red cross, registration number T9-MAG, taking off from Zenica hospital heading south-west. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	United Nations Military Observers, while manning an observation post, and with the aid of night vision devices, observed four helicopters flying south from Brcko. The unauthorized flights of these helicopters occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.
E G	0058	0803	0841	9760	1336	1356	1434	1441	2130
Start	0012	0802	0840	0945	1335	1355	1433	1440	1700
Date	23 Dec	23 Dec	23 Dec	23 Dec	23 Dec	23 Dec	23 Dec	23 Dec	23 Dec
Serial No.	1130	1131	1132	1133	1134	1135	1136	1137	1138 1139 1140 1141

Heading, speed, altitude	North-east Slow Low	Unknown Unknown Unknown	South-west Slow Low	South 125 knots Low	Unknown Slow Low	Unknown Unknown Low	South Slow 500 feet	North Slow Low	South-east Slow Low
Remarks	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter with a red cross taking off from Zenica. United Nations Military Observers also observed the helicopter taking off from Zenica. NATO fighter aircraft tracked the helicopter to Tuzla, where it landed. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	United Nations Military Observers personnel observed a white MI-8 helicopter take off from Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Merzegovina.	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter taking off from Tuzla. NATO fighter aircraft tracked the helicopter to Zenica, where it landed. United Nations Military Observers also observed the same helicopter landing at Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	AWACS made radar contact with a track 10 kilometres south of Bijeljina. The track faded and contact was lost at Banja Kovilacja. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a green helicopter flying near Zvornik. Contact was lost temporarily owing to poor visibility. A short time later, NATO fighter aircraft reacquired the helicopter as it was landing at Zvornik. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a helicopter 20 kilometres south of Zvornik. Contact was lost owing to poor visibility. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	United Nations Military Observers personnel observed a white MI-8 helicopter with a red cross flying south of Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	United Nations Military Observers personnel observed a white MI-8 helicopter with a red cross land at Zenica hospital. A short time later, the helicopter departed. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	
End	1000	9760	1106	1111	1255	1421	1012	1131	1335
Start	0908	0945	1040	1106	1248	1420	1011	1130	1305
Date	24 Dec	24 Dec	24 Dec	24 Dec	24 Dec	24 Dec	25 Dec	25 Dec	25 Dec
Serial No.	1142	1143	1144	1145	1146	1147	1148	1149	1150

Heading, speed, altitude	South 101 knots 2,900 feet	Unknown Stow Low	Vest Unknown Unknown	South 140 knots 1,000 feet	North then south 112 knots 3,000 feet	North then south 115 knots 1,500 feet	Worth then south 90 knots 4,500 feet	South 80-130 knots Low	North then south 125 knots 1,000 feet	Various 110 knots 8,000 feet
Remarks	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres north of Posusje. NATO fighter aircraft were sent to investigate and made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter landing at Posusje. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	United Nations Military Observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with a red cross taking off from Zenica. The same HIP landed at Zenica a short time later. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Muslims.	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact on a helicopter with a red cross taking off from Posusje. The helicopter headed west exiting the no-fly-zone into Croatia. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	AMACS made radar contact 35 kilometres north of Posusje. NATO fighters were sent to investigate and made visual contact on a NI-8/HIP landing at Posusje. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres south-west of Vitez. Radar contact was lost at Posusje. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	AWACS made radar contact 13 kilometres north of Posusje. The contact proceeded north to a point 11 kilometres west of Vitez. The track turned south and radar contact was lost 18 kilometres north of Posusje. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	AWACS made radar contact 10 kilometres north of Posusje. The contact proceeded north and orbited at a point 5 kilometres south-west of Vitez. The contact then turned south and radar contact was lost in the vicinity of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	AWACS made radar contact 32 kilometres north of Zvornik. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a helicopter. Visual contact was lost in the vicinity of Pale. United Nations Military Observers personnel observed the same helicopter landing at Pale. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	AWACS made radar contact north of Posusje. The contact proceeded north and orbited in the vicinity of Vitez. The contact turned south and radar contact was lost in the vicinity of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	
End	1505	1500	1510	2105	0103	0120	0334	1600	2305	0047
Start	1449	1450	1508	2036	0005	0023	0223	1523	2207	0001
Date	28 Dec	28 Dec	28 Dec	28 Dec	39 Dec	29 Dec	29 Dec	29 Dec	29 Dec	30 Dec
Serial No.	1160	1161	1162	1163	1164	1165	1166	1167	1168	1169

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
1170	30 Dec	1120	1121	UNPROFOR personnel (NORBAT) observed a camouflage single-engine fixed-wing aircraft flying near Dubrave airfield (10 kilometres south-east of Tuzla). The aircraft is assessed to be an UTVA-75. The UTVA-75 is a small, single-engine, propeller-driven, fixed-wing trainer aircraft. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Various Slow 300 feet
1171	30 Dec	1527	1528	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a dark-coloured helicopter landing at Pale. United Nations Military Observers personnel at Pale also observed the same helicopter flying. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South-west Slow Low
1172	30 Dec	2238	2258	AWACS made radar contact with a track 20 kilometres south of Vitez heading south. Contact was lost at Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South 83 knots 8,900 feet
5111 5711	31 Dec	0925	1000	United Nations Military Observers at Banja Luka observed a MI-8 helicopter flying between Zaluzani (a heliport 5 kilometres north of Banja Luka) and Mahovljani (the airport 15 kilometres north of Banja Luka). The helicopter proceeded north for a short period of time and then returned, landing at Zaluzani. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	Various Slow Low
1174	31 Dec	1107	1112	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a grey-green MI-8 helicopter taking off from Posusje. NATO fighter aircraft maintained contact until the helicopter landed at Listica (25 kilometres east of Posusje). The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Various 120 knots 2,000 feet
1175	31 Dec	1157	1159	NATO fighter aircraft made radar contact on a track heading north-west from Listica. Contact was lost 8 kilometres north-west of Listica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-west 120 knots 2,000 feet
1176	31 Dec	1231	1232	United Nations Military Observers personnel observed a white MI-8 helicopter with a red cross flying in the vicinity of Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Unknown Slow Low
1177	31 Dec	1244	1248	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter flying northwest from the area of the Tuzla airfield. NATO fighter aircraft tracked the helicopter to Tuzla and then departed owing to operational reasons. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-west 130 knots 2,000 feet
1178	31 Dec	1304	1305	a	Landing Slow Low

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
1179	31 Dec	1413	1414	United Nations Military Observers personnel observed a white MI-8 helicopter with a led cross flying in the vicinity of Zenica. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Unknown Slow Low
1180	31 Dec	1425	1426	United Nations Military Observers personnel observed a camouflaged MI-8 helicopter land at the sports field in Pale. The United Nations Military Observers tried to investigate but were denied access to the landing site. They observed three civilians (1 man, 1 women and 1 child) disembark from the helicopter. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	South Slow 500 feet
1181	31 Dec	1528	1529	United Nations Military Observers personnel observed a MI-8 helicopter take off from Pale (with the same civilians as in 1180) heading north. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North Slow 500 feet
1182	31 Dec	2045	2119	AWACS made radar contact on a track 10 kilometres west of Jablanica. NATO fighter aircraft were sent to investigate and made visual contact with a pale-coloured helicopter with dark stripes. NATO fighter aircraft maintained contact with the helicopter to a point 5 kilometres east of Posusje and then departed owing to operational reasons. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South-west 110 knots Low
				[1 January 1994: no violations reported]	
1183	2 Jan	0800	6080	AWACS made radar contact with a track 8 kilometres north-west of Posusje heading south. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made radar contact with a helicopter landing 2 kilometres south of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Worth-east then south 129 knots Very low
1184	2 Jan	1058	1114	NATO fighter aircraft made visual contact with a MI-8 helicopter 25 kilometres south-west of Gorni Vakuf. The helicopter landed 17 kilometres south-west of Gorni Vakuf. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east Slow 300 feet
1185	2 Jan	1155	1210	AWACS made radar contact 20 kilometres south of Gorni Vakuf heading west. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a green MI-8 helicopter which departed the no-fly-zone near Klamensko. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South-west 100 knots 1,000 feet
1186	2 Jan	1300	1301	UNPROFOR personnel observed a helicopter landing at Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Landing Unknown Unknown

Annex 11

Additional information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

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End		Remarks altitude
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1847 Unit 30 k and of n	ed Nations Mil ilometres nort south. The he	United Nations Military Observers observed numerous helicopters flying at night 30 kilometres north-east of Tuzla in the area of the Sapna Thumb heading north 30 kilometres north-east of Tuzla in the area of the Sapna Thumb heading north 31 kilometres north-east of Tuzla in the area observed by navigation lights and with the aid 4 contact the same of the same and the same and the same and the same and the same area of night vision devices. Specific incidents are as follows:
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The u	mauthorized f	The unauthorized flights occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.