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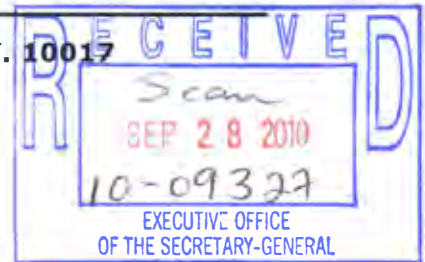
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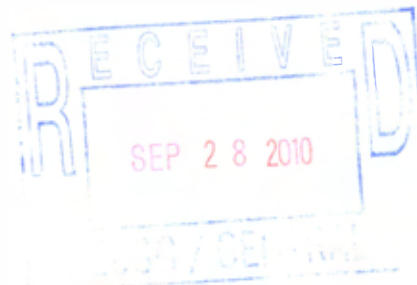
The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to inform the following.

It has been revealed and documented that the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the United Nations has installed two flags on its premises located at 119 East 36<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, N.Y. 10016, namely, the national flag of the Republic of Armenia and a piece of colored stuff or rag claiming to be a flag of the ethnically constructed subordinate separatist entity – the so-called “Nagorno-Karabakh Republic” – illegally established by the Republic of Armenia in the occupied territory of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

It is essential to recall in this regard that the illegality of the separatist entity and its structures has been repeatedly stated at the international level in the most unambiguous manner. Thus, the United Nations Security Council has consistently reaffirmed both the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic Azerbaijan and the inadmissibility of the use of force for the acquisition of territory. The Council has also recognized that the Nagorno-Karabakh region is part of Azerbaijan and called on a number of occasions for immediate, full and unconditional withdrawal of the occupying forces from all the occupied territories of Azerbaijan. The United Nations General Assembly and other international organizations have adopted a similar position. No state in the international community has recognized the separatist entity as independent, not even Armenia, though it exercises the effective control over the occupied territories and the separatist regime established there and provides indispensable economic, political and military sustenance without which that entity could not exist.

Furthermore, the attention should be drawn to article 20 of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, to which the Republic of Armenia is a party, providing that “[t]he mission and its head shall have the right to use the flag and emblem [only] of the sending State on the premises of the mission, including the residence of the head of the mission, and on his means of transport”.

The Secretary-General  
of the United Nations  
New York



The Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan strongly protests against an attempt to promote the illegal separatist entity and considers such action of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the United Nations as inconsistent with the Charter of the United Nations, fundamental principles of international law and its status of a diplomatic mission.

It is the view of the Republic of Azerbaijan that such disgraceful act has become possible only because of ambiguous position of some powerful members of the international community, which turn a blind eye to illegal activities of the Republic of Armenia, give preference to the approach based on equalizing the aggressor and its victim and, moreover, tolerate within their own national territories the actions directed against the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

In this regard, the Permanent Mission has been instructed by the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan to request the urgent interference of the Secretary-General of the United Nations with the view of ensuring the removal without delay of the "flag" associated with the illegal separatist entity from the premises of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the United Nations. Moreover, the Government of the Republic of Armenia must offer appropriate assurances and guarantees of non-repetition of such actions in the future.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.



New York, 29 September 2010