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**Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their
implications for international peace, security
and development**

The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan

Letter dated 14 April 2020 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to convey herewith the records of cease fire violations by the Republic of Armenia in March 2020 (see annex).*

During the reporting period, the armed forces of Armenia committed 779 ceasefire violations, continuing to use large-calibre guns and heavy weaponry from their positions in the occupied territories of the Republic of Azerbaijan and from the territory of the Republic of Armenia.

As a result, one serviceman of the armed forces of the Republic of Azerbaijan was killed and one serviceman was wounded.

The military occupation of the territory of Azerbaijan by the armed forces of Armenia is a result of the explicitly annexationist agenda of Armenia and a major obstacle to achieving peace, security, stability and socioeconomic development in the region.

The continuing status quo, where a substantial part of the internationally recognized territory of Azerbaijan remains under Armenia's occupation, does not represent a solution and will never produce a political outcome desired by Armenia. The sooner Armenia withdraws its armed forces from the Nagorno-Karabakh region and other occupied territories of Azerbaijan, the earlier the conflict will be resolved and both countries and their people will benefit from the prospects of cooperation and economic development.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 32 and 37, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Yashar Aliyev
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

* Circulated in the language of submission only.



Annex to the letter dated 14 April 2020 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Violations of the ceasefire by the armed forces of the Republic of Armenia for March 2020*

<i>Dates</i>	<i>Direction (locality)</i>	<i>Weapons used</i>	<i>Number of ceasefire violations</i>	<i>Casualties and damage</i>
1–31 March	Aghdam district, Azerbaijan			
	Ayag Garvand village	AKM	1	
	Chiragly village	AK/AKM	7	
	Novruzlu village	AK	1	
	Yusifjanly village	AK	3	
	Mammadbaghirly village	AK/AKM/SVD	9	
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM	8	
	Agjabadi district, Azerbaijan			
	Minakhorlu village	AK/AKM/SVD	11	
	Gyamaddynly village	AKM	2	
	Agstafa district, Azerbaijan			
	Kohnegishlag village	AK/PKM	4	
	Dashkasan district, Azerbaijan			
	Alkhanchally village	AKM/PK	4	
	Fuzuli district, Azerbaijan			
	Ashaghi Abdurrahmanli village	AK/SVD	8	
	Ashagi Veiselli village	AK	2	
	Shukurbayli village	AK	11	
	Garakhanbayli village	AK/AKM	8	
	Ahmadalilar village	AK/AKM/SVD	10	
	Horadiz village	AK/AKM	12	
	Garvand village	AK	2	
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM/PKM	32	
	Gazakh district, Azerbaijan			
	Gyzylhajily village	AK/AKM/PK/SVD/DShK	36	
	Abbasbeyli village	AKM	1	
	Ashagi Askipara village	AK/AKM/PK PKM/SVD	23	
	Mezem village	PKM	2	
	Ikinji Shikhly village	AK/SVD	3	
	Farahly village	AKM/PK/PKM/SVD	6	
	Khanliglar village	AK/DShK/SVD	5	
	Bala Jafarly village	AK/AKM/DShK/SVD	11	
	Gushchu Ayrim village	AK/AKM/PKM/PK/SVD	25	1 serviceman of the armed forces of Azerbaijan was killed

* Settlements of the Republic of Azerbaijan included in this information are under occupation by the Republic of Armenia or situated close to the fire point areas.

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	Dash Salakhli village	AKM	2	1 serviceman of the armed forces of Azerbaijan was wounded
	Gaymagli village	AK	1	
	Kamarli village	AK/AKM/PK	2	
	Jafarly village	AK/PK/SVD	17	
	Gadabay district, Azerbaijan			
	Ayrivang village	PK	1	
	Novoivanovka village	AK/PK/NSVP PKM/RPK/SVD	14	
	Goyalli village	AK/DShK/PK PKM//RPK	12	
	Zamanly village	AK/AKM/PK PKM/OSV-96	16	
	Mutudara village	AKM/PKM	2	
	Daryurd village	PK	2	
	Dordlar village	AK/AKM/PK	10	
	Garavalar village	AKM/PK	7	
	Ayridara village	AKM	8	
	Goygol district, Azerbaijan			
	Kurdalilar village	AK/AKM/NSVP OSV-96/PKM	7	
	Pirvardilar village	NSVP	2	
	Goranboy district, Azerbaijan			
	Tapgaragoyunlu village	AK/AKM/PKM PK/SVD	168	
	Gulustan village	AK/AKM/DShK PK/PKM/NSVP	25	
	Bashgishlak village	AK/DShK OSV-96/NSVP	7	
	Murov heights	PK/PKM	4	
	Unnamed heights	AKM/PK	5	
	Yenikand village	AKM/DShK	3	
	Garajler village	DShK	1	
	Zeyve village	AK/PK	4	
	Opposite positions	AK/NSVP	4	
	Jabrayil district, Azerbaijan			
	Lala Ilahy heights	AK	2	
	Opposite positions	AK	2	
	Khojavand district, Azerbaijan			
	Nargiztapa valley	AK	2	
	Unnamed heights	AK/AKM/DShK	7	
	Map mark 252.5	AK/PKM	3	
	Opposite positions	AK/OSV-96	10	
	Tartar district, Azerbaijan			
	Hasangaya village	AK/AKM/OSV-96/PK	28	

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	Borsunlu village	AK/AKM/PK PKM/RPK	40	
	Gapanly village	AK/RPK	18	
	Jamilli village	AK/AKM/PKM	21	
	Chayly village	AK/AKM/OSV-96/PK	21	
	Gaynag village	AK	1	
	Karmiravan village	AK/AKM	8	
	Opposite positions	AK/AKM/PK	18	
	Tovuz district, Azerbaijan			
	Alkhanli village	AK/AKM	11	
	Aghbulag village	AK/AKM/PK/PKM	6	
	Alibayli village	AKM	1	
	Kokhanabi village	AK/AKM	3	
	Qaralar village	DShK	2	
	Munjuglu village	AKM/PKM	8	

Abbreviations: AK, Kalashnikov assault rifle; AKM, modernized Kalashnikov assault rifle; DShK, heavy machine gun; NSVP, 12.7-mm-calibre heavy machine gun; OSV, semi-automatic sniper rifle; PK/PKM, Kalashnikov machine gun; RPK, Kalashnikov handheld machine gun; SVD, Dragunov sniper rifle.