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The Secretary General
N.A.T.O.
Director of the Secretary General's Office,
Mr. James Cunningham.

May 1st 1989.

Ref. - Exercise Sharp Spear. Autumn/89

Dear Mr. Cunningham,

With reference to the above exercise - as it will involve large numbers of naval warships and submarines operating in and around the British Isles, could we enquire,

- a) Will appropriate warning of areas to be used be issued to Mariners, and will this warning be specific where dived submarine operations are to be carried out?
- b) Will the participants be operating in the Irish and Celtic Seas, and if so, given the comparatively congested nature of these seas (viz a viz commercial traffic), do you think this is wise?
- c) Will the participants be operating near to the territorial waters of any non N.A.T.O. country, and what steps have been taken to avoid incursions into such states' territories?
- d) Notwithstanding comment in your ultimate paragraph (letter 6th April from your office to the League), will you be advising States involved in the exercise to respect I.M.O. Resolution A599(15)?

Trusting you will respond to these queries in line with your recent assurance that N.A.T.O. exercises are conducted in the safest manner possible.

Yours Faithfully,

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