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GENERAL STAFF OF THE YUGOSLAV ARMY

Sector for Operations and Staff Affairs

First Administration

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To: Commander, personally

Request for written statement

To: Commander of the 3rd Army

Regarding the incidents at the Košare border post and the massacre in the sector of Gornje Obrinje village and the use of forbidden critical ammunition, submit a written statement:

1. On the incident of 30 September 1998 in the sector of the Košare border post:

- the place, time, what was the task the attacked group was carrying out and on whose orders?
- which forces attacked the border patrol and from where?
- were all combat security measures taken bearing in mind the conditions in which the task was being carried out?
- who is responsible for the death of the five soldiers and what measures have you taken regarding the incident and the prevention of such incidents in the future?

2. On the alleged "massacre" in the village of Gornje Obrinje

According to your reports, on 26 and 27 September 1998 a part of the PrK /Priština Corps/ units provided support to the MUP /Ministry of the Interior/ forces in their combat operation aimed at routing the DTS /sabotage and terrorist forces/ in the sectors of the villages of Gornje Obrinje and Donje Obrinje, Banjica village and Basiljeno /as printed/ village. Foreign media and some humanitarian organisations, even some state representatives of a number of countries reported on an alleged massacre against the civilian population of Gornje Obrinje village.

- Have you any information on the commission of a massacre against the civilian population of Gornje Obrinje village?

- If a massacre was committed, who committed it?

3. On the use of forbidden critical ammunition

In my Order, strictly confidential number 02/10-47 dated 6 July 1998, and strictly confidential number 02/10-91 dated 17 August 1998, I prohibited the use of critical ammunition (100 mm for T-12 /towed anti-tank gun/, 9M14M missiles – *Malyutka*, 125 mm shells for the M-84 tank and 122 mm shells). In spite of this, certain types of ammunition were used.

- What kind and how much of the forbidden critical ammunition was used?
- Who is responsible and what measures have you undertaken for the non-compliance with my orders?

Submit a written statement to me by 1300 hours of 8 October 1998.

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CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF
OF THE YUGOSLAV ARMY
Colonel General
Momčilo PERIŠIĆ

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