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The Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to his note No. LA/COD/4 of 9 April 2010 concerning violations of the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives, in which the Secretary-General asks the Czech Republic to provide the information requested by the General Assembly resolution 63/126 of 11 December 2008, has the honour to convey the following:

Regarding the violations of the protection, security and safety of the Czech diplomatic and consular missions and representatives, the Embassy of the Czech Republic in Iraq has reported on the recent successful attacks on certain diplomatic missions in Iraq and the non-standard treatment frequently experienced by diplomatic staff in Iraq, including the Czech diplomats, in particular at the check points and in connection with access to the Baghdad International Airport. The Czech Republic welcomes, however, the efforts of the Iraqi Government to facilitate the work and movement of diplomats in the country and calls for further deepening of cooperation in the area of the security and safety of diplomatic missions and diplomatic staff.

The violations recorded in the Czech Republic since 2009 include breaking and entering into the premises of the Macedonian Embassy and the Swedish Embassy, breaking and entering into an apartment of a member of the diplomatic staff of the Austrian Embassy, and a fire in the garden of the Greek Embassy which, according to available information, was intentionally set. The above-stated crimes are currently being investigated by the Police of the Czech Republic. Furthermore, the embassies concerned, in cooperation with the Police, have responded by reinforcing and upgrading their security measures.

The Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic 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, May 12, 2010

His Excellency
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