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**Letter dated 2 June 2023 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council**

Further to our letter dated 3 May 2023 ([S/2023/317](#)), I am writing in response to the letter dated 30 May 2023 from the representative of the Israeli regime addressed to the President of the Security Council ([S/2023/390](#)), in which the representative of the Israeli regime claimed that Iran's recent missile launch on 25 May 2023 was a violation of Security Council resolution [2231 \(2015\)](#).

I categorically reject this unfounded claim. The Islamic Republic of Iran has unequivocally emphasized that all activities related to its missile and space programmes fully comply with its legitimate rights under international law. Thus, the recent missile launch by Iran was a lawful activity well within its legitimate rights. Furthermore, Iran has consistently asserted that its missile and space programmes fall outside of the purview and competence of Security Council resolution [2231 \(2015\)](#) and its annexes.

Neither was Iran ever involved in any activity that violated resolution [2231 \(2015\)](#) or that endangered regional peace and security. The Israeli regime, in contrast, has a long history of significant instability, involvement in nefarious activities in the region, and a dark record of flagrantly flouting international law and violating General Assembly and Security Council resolutions. Nonetheless, this regime hypocritically accuses Iran of violating Security Council resolution [2231 \(2015\)](#) and feigns concern over its implementation.

I should be grateful if you would circulate the present letter as a document of the Security Council.

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