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**Letter dated 27 October 2005 from the Permanent
Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed
to the President of the Security Council**

I have the honour to convey to you the attached statement on Iran issued today by the United Kingdom Presidency on behalf of European Union leaders meeting in Hampton Court, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (see annex).

I would be most grateful if you could circulate the present letter and the attached statement as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Emyr **Jones Parry**

**Annex to the letter dated 27 October 2005 from the
Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom
of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United
Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council**

**Iran: statement by the Presidency on behalf of
European Union leaders meeting at Hampton Court,
27 October 2005**

European Union leaders meeting at Hampton Court today condemned in the strongest terms the comments in respect of the State of Israel attributed to President Ahmadinejad of Iran. Calls for violence, and for the destruction of any State, are manifestly inconsistent with any claim to be a mature and responsible member of the international community.

Such comments will cause concern about Iran's role in the region, and its future intentions. The fact that these comments were made on the same day as a horrific attack on Israeli civilians should reinforce the lesson that incitement to violence, and the terrorism that it breeds, are despicable and unacceptable acts. For its part, the European Union remains committed to a solution to the Arab-Israel dispute based on the principle of two States living side-by-side in peace and security. It urges all parties in the region to do their utmost to bring that vision to fulfilment.
