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**Letter dated 26 October 2005 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**

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit two notes verbales, dated 9 August 2005 and 13 September 2005, from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran addressed to the Embassy of Switzerland (United States Interests Section) in Tehran on the violation of the territory and airspace of Iran by two American unmanned aircrafts (see annexes).

It would be highly appreciated if the present letter and its annexes were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mehdi **Danesh-Yazdi**
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**Annex I to the letter dated 26 October 2005 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**

9 August 2005

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran presents its compliments to the Embassy of Switzerland (United States Interests Section) in Tehran and informs the latter that:

According to information received from relevant authorities of the Islamic Republic of Iran, at sunset on 4 July 2005 an alien unmanned aerial vehicle crashed 60 kilometres inside Iranian territory (in Ilam Province).

As investigations on the wreckage of the aforementioned unmanned aerial vehicle indicate, this is an American Shadow-200 (RQ-7) aircraft.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran strongly protests against such unlawful acts and emphasizes the necessity to observe the principles of international law concerning the sanctity of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of States, and calls for an end to such unlawful acts.

It is evident that the Government of the United States of America will be responsible for the consequences of any recurrence of its unlawful acts.

It would be highly appreciated if the present note were transmitted to the relevant authorities of the United States Government and if this Ministry were informed of its explicit response.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran avails itself of this opportunity to renew its highest consideration.

**Annex II to the letter dated 26 October 2005 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**

13 September 2005

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran presents its compliments to the Embassy of Switzerland (United States Interests Section) in Tehran and informs the latter that:

According to information received from relevant authorities of the Islamic Republic of Iran, on 25 August 2005 an alien unmanned aerial vehicle crashed 200 kilometres inside Iranian territory (in the Khoram Abad area).

As investigations on the wreckage of the aforementioned unmanned aerial vehicle indicate, this is an American Hermes aircraft.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran strongly protests against such unlawful acts and emphasizes the necessity to observe the principles of international law concerning the sanctity of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of States, and calls for an end to such unlawful acts.

It is evident that the Government of the United States of America will be responsible for the consequences of any recurrence of its unlawful acts.

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