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Letter dated 3 January 1986 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government and pursuant to my letter of 2 January 1986 (A/40/1072-5/17712), in which I alerted the international body to the Iraqi excuse-seeking policy in order to start its war of cities, I have the honour to inform you of yet another savage Iraqi aerial attack on Piranshahr on 2 January 1986. This criminal attack against civilians devastated the village of Kalkin in Piranshahr and left 20 casualties behind.

The Iraqi attack of 31 December 1985 on Piranshahr and Mehran has left behind 30 severely injured people.

This situation demands your immediate and undivided attention in order to bridle the Iraqi policy of violating rules of international humanitarian law; for if such Iraqi attacks on civilians are not brought to an immediate end, I am afraid that a strong and decisive reciprocal measure in defence of our civilians will become unavoidable, even though it is against the genuine desire of the Government and the people of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter were circulated as a document of the fortieth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 46, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Said RAJAIE-KHORASSANI Ambassador Permanent Representative