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LETTER DATED 8 AUGUST 1986 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF  
IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government and further to my previous letters concerning the continued shelling of civilian targets by the Iranian régime, the most recent of which is that contained in document S/18263, I have the honour to inform you that this morning, 8 August 1986, Iranian aircraft and artillery bombarded residential areas in the provinces of Diyala, Maysan and Basra, killing 11 citizens, wounding 50 others, including women and children, and destroying many dwelling-houses and civilian buildings.

This crime is yet another in the series of crimes perpetrated by the Iranian leaders against unarmed civilians, and it testifies to their unrelenting contempt for humanitarian values and international custom, and reflects the hatred fostered by this clique against our people and its inability to achieve its dark designs on the field of battle against our Iraqi heroes.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the text of this letter and its annex - communiqué No. 2318 of the General Command of the Iraqi Armed Forces, dated 8 August 1986 - to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ismat KITTANI  
Permanent Representative

Annex

COMMUNIQUE OF THE GENERAL COMMAND OF THE IRAQI ARMED FORCES

This morning at 6.39 a.m., an enemy aeroplane crossed our international frontier in Diyala province, having as its target residential areas in the towns of Sa'diyah and Miqdadiyah. The incident left 6 civilians dead and 31 wounded, destroyed three dwelling-houses, and damaged 11 civilian vehicles.

Also today, at 3.16 p.m., two enemy aeroplanes crossed our international frontiers in Maysan province, having as their target civilian areas in the city of Amarah; the incident left five civilians dead (including three children), and four others wounded; four dwelling-houses were destroyed and six others damaged, and a hospital, two schools (one secondary and one primary) and two civilian vehicles were also destroyed.

The criminal clique's forces also shelled the city of Basra; the enemy's attack left two civilians dead and five others wounded; two dwelling-houses were destroyed, and one commercial building and one civilian vehicle were damaged.

Having demonstrated by our brave deeds our ability to inflict severe punishment on the infamous criminals, dealing them painful blows, we state once again that what lies in store for the Iranian leaders as punishment for these abominable acts will have the most terrible consequences for them and will cause them greater pain than ever before, and the charlatans will feel it directly.

The General Command of the Armed Forces  
8 August 1986

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