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LETTER DATED 16 DECEMBER 1986 FROM THE CHARGE 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 inform that at 15.00 hours Tuesday, 15 December 1986, the Iraqi warplanes bombarded four residential areas in Dorood (Lorestan Province). The casualties of this latest criminal act of the Iraqi régime have so far been reported as 22 civilian martyrs and 48 wounded, mostly women and children. Fifteen houses were also destroyed in this cowardly attack against civilian areas.

The recent escalation of Iraqi criminal policies against the civilian population - now publicly known to have been implemented with the encouragement of the intelligence agency of one of the Permanent Members of the Security Council - present a grave danger to the innocent civilian populations of both countries. Therefore, it is expected that appropriate organs of the United Nations take necessary and effective measures to put an end to such flagrant disregards for the most universally accepted norms of international law governing the conduct of hostilities.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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