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LETTER DATED 23 JANUARY 1987 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, and with reference to our numerous letters concerning the continuation by the Iranian régime of the savage bombardment of purely residential areas in Iraqi territory (the latest of which was issued under the symbol S/18625), I have the honour to inform you that the Iranian régime is continuing its artillery and aerial bombardments of purely residential areas of Iraqi towns. Today, 23 January 1987, these attacks resulted in the death of 14 civilians and injuries to 102 others, as follows:

- 1. Basra: the Iranian long-range artillery bombardment of residential areas of this town caused the death of two civilians and injuries to 13 more, including three children.
- 2. Sulaymaniyah: a similar bombardment of residential areas of this town caused the death of four civilians, including two children, and injuries to 28 others.
- 3. Ranya: two Iranian fighter aircraft attacked residential areas of this town, causing the death of seven civilians, including three women, and injuring 77, including 27 children and 17 women.
- 4. Khanaqin: an artillery bombardment of the suburbs of this town caused the death of one civilian and injuries to four others.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Ismat KITTANI
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