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LETTER DATED 2 MARCH 1987 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that the criminal Iranian régime launched a fresh attack against the sector controlled by the Third Army Corps on 3 February and the morning of 1 March 1987, thus adding one more to the series of violations by that régime of Iraq's initiative to refrain from the bombardment of cities.

This violation once again releases Iraq from the commitment it made with regard to halting the bombardment of cities for a period of two weeks from 19 February 1987, in accordance with the conditions set forth in the statement issued by the political leadership on 18 February 1987 (document S/18704). The Iranian régime alone thus bears the full responsibility for the consequences of its continued aggression against Iraq and for the stern and effective retaliation which it will incur as a result of its determination to attack Iraq's territory and cities.

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

(Signed) Ismat KITTANI  
Permanent Representative

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