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Letter dated 23 July 1987 from the Permanent Representative 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 transmit to you herewith a letter from four Iraqi pilot prisoners of war, dated 21 June 1987, addressed to Your Excellency. The letter clearly reveals the Iraqi scheme of deploying chemical weapons against civilians in the face of the international body's acquiescence to repeated Iraqi use of chemical weapons against Iranian troops.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 62 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Said RAJAIE-KHORASSANI  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Letter dated 21 June 1987 from four Iraqi pilot prisoners of war  
to the Secretary-General

We wish to appreciate your humanitarian and serious measure of having an inspection carried out about the use of chemical weapons in the Iran-Iraq war, as the result of which the Iraqi régime's extensive use of chemical weapons in the course of the imposed war was proved. This fact and the Security Council's statement were conspicuously reflected in mass media and international circles.

Since, we, Iraqi pilots, have frequently been threatened and coerced by the unpopular régime of Iraq to carry out chemical bombardment on Iranian troops, hereby announce that the Iraqi régime, despite implicit international warning and repeated Iranian protests, resorts to various pretexts to heedlessly use chemical weapons. Therefore, we Iraqi pilots declare that the Iraqi régime, through pressure and terror, wants to violate all international protocols. If international authorities do not pay adequate attention to this fact, we believe that the Iraqi régime will in the future embark on extensive use of chemical weapons against the civilian population in cities.

Therefore serious measures to exert pressure on Iraq by you and other international and legal authorities are called for. And Iraqi pilots (that we know them well) do not want to use chemical weapons; measures should be taken to put an end to suppressive acts in the Iraqi army.

On the other hand, we Iraqi pilots, who are the guests of the Islamic Republic of Iran, are ready to meet international officials to provide explanations about the use of chemical weapons.

(Signed) Flight Captain Bassel Yahya Soleiman

Flight Captain Zahir Mohammad Said

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Flight Ist Lieutenant Abdol Al Mohammad Fahd

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