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Letter dated 29 April 1980 from the Permanent Representative of
Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter addressed to you by the
Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Iraq, Dr. Sadoun Hammadi.

I would kindly request that this letter be circulated as an official document
of the General Assembly, under item 106 of the preliminary list, and of the Security
Council.

(Signed) Salah Omar AL-ALI
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Letter dated 2 April 1980 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs
of Iraq to the Secretary-General

I would like to refer to the statement made by Abul Hassan Bani Sadr, President of the Republic of Iran, to the periodical al-Nahar al-Arabi wa al-Dawli published by the periodical in its number (151) dated 24 March 1980, to the effect that Iran would not forgo or restore the three Arab islands and that the Arab States (Abu Dhabi, Qatar, Oman, Dubai, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia) are not independent States as far as Iran is concerned.

The above statement confirms Iran's policy aimed at perpetuating its illegitimate occupation of the three Arab islands (Greater Tumb, Lesser Tumb and Abu Musa), the issue of direct threats, and flagrant interference in the internal affairs of a group of States Members of the United Nations, as well as slighting the independence of those States. Such statement is bound to create an atmosphere of tension, stir up conflicts and disturb world security and peace in the region, in contravention of the objectives of the United Nations Charter aimed at preserving world security and peace.

The Government of the Republic of Iraq would like to emphasize its non-recognition of Iran's illegal occupation of the three Arab islands (Greater Tumb, Lesser Tumb and Abu Musa) and the consequences that may ensue from such occupation, and demands the immediate withdrawal of Iran from those islands, and its desistance from the pursuit of expansionist and aggressive policies, the issue of threats, and interference in the internal affairs of the States of the Arab Gulf region, as well as respect for their independence and sovereignty in conformity with the United Nations Charter and its aims and in order to preserve security and peace in the region.

I shall be grateful if you will kindly publish this letter as an official document of the General Assembly and of the Security Council.

Mr. Sadoon HAMMADI
Minister for Foreign
Affairs of the Republic
of Iraq
