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LETTER DATED 15 MARCH 1988 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF  
SPAIN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL.

I have the honour to transmit to you a communiqué issued on 15 March 1988 by the Diplomatic Information Office of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding the conflict between Iran and Iraq (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a Security Council document.

(Signed) Francisco VILLAR

Annex

Communiqué issued on 15 March 1988 by the Diplomatic Information Office of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

"The Spanish Government wishes to reiterate its deep concern at the continuing hostilities between Iran and Iraq, which took a turn for the worse on 27 February with the indiscriminate bombings carried out by both countries, the result being a substantial number of deaths and injuries among civilians.

In the light of the failure by both belligerents to respect the de facto truce established on 11 March, and the resulting resumption of attacks, the Spanish Government urges the Iranian and Iraqi authorities to cease the indiscriminate bombing of cities, which by its very nature and because of its results only engenders further violence and hatred.

Lastly, the Spanish Government reiterates its conviction that both countries must urgently comply with all the provisions of United Nations Security Council resolution 598 (1987) and co-operate actively with the Secretary-General in promptly applying those provisions."

