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LETTER DATED 8 OCTOBER 1995 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Today at 11.45 local time, the Pale Serb terrorists launched Orkan rockets and anti-tank missiles on the improvised Oskova refugee camp in the town of Zivinice, which is within the borders of the Tuzla safe area. In the course of this attack, four children and two women were killed, and 25 persons wounded, most of them children. At 14.30 local time, the aggressor continued this attack, launching mortar shells at the city centre of Zivinice. One civilian was killed and four others were heavily wounded. Substantial material damage was also reported.

Shortly after the attack on Zivinice, Pale Serb terrorists carried out an air attack in the area of Tesanj. According to the first reports available, two children have been killed and more than 50 civilians wounded, the majority of whom are children.

These latest criminal attacks against populated areas are even more monstrous in the light of the fact that the targets were makeshift refugee camps housing those who were expelled from the United Nations "safe areas" of Srebrenica and Zepa by the same Pale Serb terrorists.

The perpetrators of this latest crime and their leaders will have to be held accountable for those crimes before the International war crimes Tribunal in The Hague.

This latest attack against civilians also presents a blatant violation of the status of safe areas designated by Security Council resolutions 824 and 836, and demands urgent and vigorous action by the United Nations and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), consistent with relevant Security Council resolutions and NATO decisions.

The Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina expects the Security Council to act in accordance with its commitments and authorizations and, in this context, draws attention to the fact that such terrorist acts

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present a deliberate undermining of the international community's efforts towards the restoration of a cease-fire and directly endanger the continuation of the peace process.

 $\,$ May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Ivan Z. MISIC Chargé d'affaires a.i.
