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LETTER DATED 8 JUNE 1981 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES OF THE
PERMANENT MISSION OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED
TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter addressed to you from the
Foreign Minister of the Republic of Iraq.

(Signed) Saib BAFI
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Annex

I have the honour to request an immediate meeting of the Security Council to deal with a grave act of aggression committed by Israel against Iraq with far-reaching consequences for international peace and security. At 18:37 hours on Sunday, 7 June 1981, Israeli warplanes raided Baghdad. Their objective was to destroy the Iraq nuclear reactor installations. Israel has already admitted the commission of this premeditated act of aggression.

The attention of the members of the Security Council is drawn to the fact that Israel has consistently refused to sign and ratify the Non-Proliferation Treaty. The international community has repeatedly expressed through the General Assembly its concern about Israeli acquisition and development of nuclear weapons. Resolution 34/89, entitled "Israeli Nuclear Armament", is particularly pertinent in this regard. Iraq, the victim of this barbarous act, is party to the N.P.T. Not a single violation by Iraq of the safeguards agreement has ever been registered by the International Atomic Energy Agency. The international community cannot remain silent regarding this extremely serious escalation of Israeli aggression. The Security Council is called upon to convene without delay to consider the situation and take effective measures to deal with it.

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