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Upon instruction from my Government, I have the honour to draw your attention to the serious deterioration of the situation concerning the conflict between Iraq and Iran.

The Iranian forces launched an attack at 2200 hours, Tuesday, 13 July 1982, in the Basrah sector on a front 10 km wide and 10 km in depth, in an attempt to cross Iraqi national borders. Iranian shelling of the city of Basrah, the seaport of Fao and Abu Al-Khassib township on the Shatt Al-Arab waterway has caused some damages and losses.

In view of the fact that the attack is a flagrant violation by Iran of Security Council resolution 514 (1982) of 12 July 1982, the Government of Iraq calls upon the Council to condemn the Iranian violation of the Council's resolution and to take the appropriate measures to put an end to this new act of aggression committed by Iran.

I request you kindly to arrange to have the text of this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Salah Omar AL-ALI
Permanent Representative