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LETTER DATED 4 MAY 1988 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF
THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO
THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government, and further to our letter dated 26 April 1988 circulated as document S/19841, regarding the transmission of a note of protest to Kuwaiti officials for their complicity with Iraqi aggression, and also referring to the ensuing letter dated 28 April 1988 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait circulated as document S/19849, I have the honour to inform that the note of protest of the Islamic Republic of Iran dated 10 March 1988, was transmitted to the Foreign Ministry of Kuwait on 26 March 1988, through the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Kuwait.

Kuwait's total disregard for the rules of neutrality and its actual logistical and other assistance to Iraq, willingly or as some Kuwaiti officials have claimed under coercion by Iraqi criminals, are common knowledge and a matter of international record which cannot be white-washed by citing technicalities in the letter of Kuwait circulated as document S/19849.

It may be noted that the technicalities of the venue of transmission of a note by a State to another, in itself, would not qualify as "responsible" or "irresponsible", the conduct of international relations by that State. Rather it is the demagogic logic of the kind employed in the letter of Kuwait circulated as document S/19849 on substantive issues which may determine that a State is not able to conduct itself - on that specific issue - in a responsible manner. In view of Kuwait's abetting financial, logistical and other support for Iraq, i.e. a belligerent nation, this is exactly how the Government of Kuwait - to the detriment of regional peace and security - has long conducted itself. Needless to point out that the Government of Kuwait will naturally bear the fruits of its deeds.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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