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Letter dated 13 June 2019 from the Permanent Representative of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instructions from my Government, I am writing to inform your Excellency that on 12 June 2019 a hostile projectile fired by the Iranian-backed Houthi militia hit the arrivals hall at Abha International Airport in Asir province in southwestern Saudi Arabia, through which thousands of civilian passengers of different nationalities pass daily. A total of 26 civilian passengers of different nationalities were injured by the projectile, including three women (Yemeni, Indian and Saudi) and two Saudi children.

The terrorist Iran-backed Houthi militia claimed through its media full responsibility for this terrorist attack, saying it used a cruise missile. Authorities in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia are working to determine the type of projectile used in this terrorist attack, which proves this terrorist militia's acquisition of new special weapons, the continuation of the Iranian regime's support and practice of cross-border terrorism and the continued violation of relevant United Nations Security Council resolutions, including resolutions [2140 \(2014\)](#), [2216 \(2015\)](#), [2231 \(2015\)](#), [2451 \(2018\)](#) and [2452 \(2019\)](#).

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Arab Coalition to Support Legitimacy in Yemen will take urgent and timely measures to deter such intolerable terrorist attacks and to ensure the protection of civilians and civilian objects. In addition, terrorist operatives responsible for the planning and execution of this terrorist attack will be held accountable, in accordance with international humanitarian law and its customary rules.

Finally, my delegation requests that the present letter be circulated as a document of the Security Council and states that a copy of this letter will be forwarded to the Secretary-General.

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Permanent Representative

