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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN PURSUANCE OF SECURITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTIONS 514 (1982) and 522 (1982)

1. The present report is being submitted in pursuance of paragraph 6 of Security Council resolution 514 (1982), of 12 July 1982, and of paragraph 7 of resolution 522 (1982), of 4 October 1982, by which the Council requested the Secretary-General to report on the implementation of those resolutions within three months and within 72 hours, respectively.
2. The report requested of the Secretary-General in paragraph 3 of resolution 514 (1982) was issued on 15 July 1982 as a document of the Council (S/15293).
3. Following the adoption of resolution 522 (1982), I stated, with reference to its paragraph 4, in which the Council affirmed the necessity of implementing without further delay its decision to dispatch United Nations observers to supervise the cease-fire and withdrawal, that the effective deployment of United Nations observers was naturally contingent on the concurrence and co-operation of the parties concerned and on the existence of a cease-fire (S/PV.2399).
4. The text of resolution 522 (1982) was immediately transmitted to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran and to the Government of the Republic of Iraq, with a request, in particular, for comments in respect of paragraph 4.
5. On 4 October 1982, after resolution 522 (1982) had been adopted, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Iraq called on me and informed me that his Government supported efforts to facilitate a peaceful solution of the conflict. On 5 October 1982, I received a letter of the same date from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Iraq, indicating that the Government of Iraq "shall co-operate in good faith with the Council" in the implementation of resolution 522 (1982).
6. On 5 October 1982, I met with the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran, who informed me that his Government desired peace and that it had consistently indicated the steps it considered necessary to reach a settlement of the present conflict. He also handed me a statement dated 4 October 1982 (S/15448, annex), in which his Government indicated that the region in which the recent military operations had taken place "was well inside the territories of the Islamic Republic of Iran", and that those operations were "aimed at liberating Iranian

territories occupied by Iraqi forces at the beginning of the war". The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran further stated that, for the reasons indicated in the statement, it considered Security Council resolutions relating to the situation between Iran and Iraq to be "non-binding on the Islamic Republic of Iran".

7. I have been engaged in intensive efforts, begun by my predecessor soon after the outbreak of hostilities in September 1980, to facilitate the achievement of a comprehensive, just and honourable settlement of the underlying issues of the conflict between the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Republic of Iraq. My Special Representative, His Excellency Mr. Olof Palme, has visited the area five times since November 1980 to pursue those efforts. Although, regrettably, no substantive progress has as yet been made, I have reiterated to both parties that I remain ready to assist them in any manner acceptable to them in order to facilitate a peaceful solution.

8. In this connexion, I am pleased to inform the Council that His Excellency Mr. Palme has acceded to my request to continue his role as my Special Representative on this matter despite the heavy responsibilities he will assume shortly.

9. I take this opportunity to reaffirm once again that I shall continue to make every effort to facilitate a just and lasting settlement of the issues underlying the conflict so that the fighting which has cost countless lives on both sides may be brought to an end.
