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Letter dated 11 February 2025 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instruction from my Government, I am writing to draw the Security Council's attention to deeply alarming and irresponsible remarks made by the President of the United States, in which he openly threatened the use of force against the Islamic Republic of Iran. According to *The New York Post*, he stated: "I would like a deal done with Iran on non-nuclear. I would prefer that to bombing the hell out of it. They don't want to die. Nobody wants to die."¹ In yet another belligerent statement, during an interview with *Fox News* on Monday, 10 February 2025, the United States President reiterated the same language of war, declaring: "... I would like to make a deal without bombing them...". He went on to say "...There are two ways to stop Tehran from developing a nuclear weapon: With bombs or with a written piece of paper". These reckless and inflammatory statements flagrantly violate international law and the Charter of the United Nations, particularly Article 2 (4), which prohibits threats or use of force against sovereign states.

Such provocation is further compounded by the so-called "maximum pressure" policy, outlined in the National Security Presidential Memorandum of 4 February 2025. This policy reinforces unlawful, unilateral coercive measures and escalates hostility against Iran, blatantly violating fundamental principles and norms of international law.

The Islamic Republic of Iran firmly rejects and condemns this reckless threat. The Security Council must not remain silent in the face of such brazen rhetoric, as normalizing the threat to use force sets a dangerous precedent and must be unequivocally condemned.

The Islamic Republic of Iran warns that any act of aggression will have severe consequences, for which the United States will bear full responsibility. As a responsible member of the United Nations, committed to upholding peace, security and international cooperation, Iran will resolutely defend its sovereignty, territorial integrity and national interests against any hostile action.

¹ See <https://nypost.com/2025/02/08/us-news/trump-and-putin-in-talks-to-end-the-russia-ukraine-war/>.



I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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