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LETTER DATED 19 JULY 1988 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF ALGERIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE  
SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a statement made on 18 July 1988 by the spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria following the announcement that Iran had officially accepted Security Council resolution 598 (1987).

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

(Signed) Hocine DJOUDI  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Statement made on 18 July 1988 by the spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs following the announcement that Iran had officially accepted Security Council resolution 598 (1987)

"Algeria has greeted with satisfaction and hope the announcement by the Islamic Republic of Iran that it has officially accepted resolution 598, adopted by the United Nations Security Council on 20 July 1987.

"This constructive development comes just at the right time - in the wake of the reaffirmation by the President of the Republic of Iraq of its willingness to restore peace - and is conducive to the creation of a climate of harmony, good-neighbourliness and co-operation between Iraq and Iran, and the advent of an era of security and stability for the Gulf region as a whole.

"Algeria welcomes the opportunity thus created for the urgent implementation of resolution 598 (1987), which includes all the elements for the just and honourable peace towards which Algeria has not ceased to work since the outbreak of the fratricidal conflict between Iraq and Iran.

"Algeria is delighted at the prospect of a prompt end to the pointless bloodshed that has sorely tested the fraternal Iraqi and Iranian peoples and, through them, the Muslim community and the developing world. It calls for a greater mobilization of international efforts and calls on the two parties to the conflict to co-operate in earnest with the United Nations Secretary-General in realizing this promise of peace as soon as possible."

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