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Letter dated 13 February 1984 from the Permanent Representative  
of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the statement dated 12 February 1984 of the Iraqi military spokesman concerning the new abominable crime perpetrated by the Iranian régime in its shelling of Iraqi cities and towns.

I request you to have this letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the thirty-eighth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 138, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Riyadh M. S. AL-QAYSI  
Permanent Representative

Annex

Statement dated 12 February 1984 of the Iraqi military spokesman

The criminal enemy has this morning committed a new crime in shelling the city of Basrah and the towns of Mandali and Khanagin, in spite of our repeated warnings that we will accord such an act the response that it deserves. On the basis of our declared policy of responding to aggression, in such a manner as to deter such aggression, we shall use a part of the means of deterrence at our disposal in order to accord the criminal aggression the response that it deserves. The infamous enemy, the ally of Zionism, should know that, as long as he does not desist from his rash policy and cease his aggression against Iraq, Iraq will, with the help of God, pursue him and bring him into the depths of the abyss. The peoples of Iran are called upon to exert pressure on their rulers to consent to the conclusion of an agreement concerning non-aggression against cities and towns, failing which many vast calamities will come about because of the policy of their insane and infamous Government.

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