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LETTER DATED 5 FEBRUARY 1984 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF
THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN ADDRESSED
TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of the message of the
Governors of the provinces of Khuzistan, Bakhtaran and Ilam of the Islamic Republic
of Iran.

It will be highly appreciated if this letter could be circulated as a document
of the Security Council.

(Signed) Fereidoun D. KAMALI
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

Annex

Text of the message of the Governors of the provinces of
Khuzistan, Bakhtaran and Ilam

Ever since the aggression of the Iraqi forces against the Islamic Republic of Iran, Iranian civilian areas, in particular, in the provinces of Khuzistan, Bakhtaran and Ilam, have been the target of continuous Iraqi attacks. A large number of cities in these provinces, including Khorramshahr, Hoveizeh, Mussian, Sumar and Qasr-e-shirin, have been totally ruined by the enemy; cities such as Dezful, Andimeshk, Masjid-Soleiman, Mehran, Dehloran, Gilan-e-Gharb and Sarpol-e-Zahab have been severely damaged; and about 1300 villages in these three provinces have been totally destroyed. As a result of the enemy's aerial and missile attacks and artillery fire, so far, thousands of the civilian residents of Iranian towns have been either martyred or wounded, and a large number of educational and health centers - in contravention of international norms and laws - have been destroyed. Now, after 40 months of the war that the Iraqi rulers imposed on the Muslim people of Iran, the Iraqi régime, unable to face the Islamic combatants on the battlefields, has extended its adventurism and aggression to the point that under the false pretext of Iranian attacks on some Iraqi townships and villages, it has officially announced that it will mount missile attacks and aerial bombardments against 11 Iranian cities. Notwithstanding the fictitious Iraqi claim, it is a fact, confirmed by the representatives of international organizations who have visited both countries (S/15834), that the Islamic Republic of Iran has never attacked Iraqi civilian areas.

Hereby, the undersigned request the United Nations to condemn such a savage threat and thereby fulfil its responsibility in preventing this criminal act, which is against all humanitarian international laws and norms.

(Signed) Mohammad FOROOZANDEH
Governor of Khuzistan

(Signed) Norooz KAHRZAD
Governor of Bakhtaran

(Signed) Hashem ZAAL
Governor of Ilam
