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LETTER DATED 13 JUNE 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 inform you that the Iranian régime's heavy artillery continued to shell the towns indicated below between 0040 hours and 0400 hours local time:

- Basra: 22 shells fell on the town, wounding three civilians;
- Khanaqin: 40 shells fell on the town, wounding one civilian, destroying four dwellings and damaging six others;
- Mandali: 350 shells fell on the town, causing damage to dwellings and civilian installations.

I must point out in this connection that on 11 June 1984 Agence France Presse carried reports of statements made on Iranian television by Rafsanjani, Khomeini's representative on the Supreme Defence Council, at the conclusion of that body's meeting, to the effect that Iran would continue to strike back until the last moment before the entry into force of the agreement to cease shelling towns and that Iranian artillery had been ordered in recent days to fire a thousand rockets daily on the town of Basra in southern Iraq.

You can see from this how important it is to take effective measures to monitor compliance by the two sides with the undertaking envisaged in your proposal concerning the cessation of attacks against civilian targets.

I should be grateful if you would kindly arrange for the text of this letter to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Riyadh AL-QAYSI Permanent Representative