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LETTER DATED 11 JUNE 1984 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ  
TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of official Iraqi military communiqués issued between 7 and 10 June 1984 concerning the shelling, by the Iranian forces of aggression, of civilian targets in Iraqi territory, as a result of which numerous Iraqis were killed and others wounded, and extensive damage was caused to civilian installations and residential centres.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the text of this letter and its annex to be issued as a document of the Security Council.

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

ANNEX

Official Iraqi military communiqués

Communiqué issued on 7 June 1984: Last evening and this morning the Iranian régime directed heavy artillery fire against the towns of Basra, Khanaqin, Mandali and Zurbatiyah. The loss of human life and damage to property caused by the savage shelling by the enemy are as follows:

Basra: 27 dead and 81 wounded, three dwellings and one school destroyed, 41 dwellings, 14 civilian vehicles and eight business premises damaged.

Zurbatiyah: two dwellings destroyed.

Mandali and Khanaqin: civilian installations and property damaged.

In addition, today at 1324 hours, four enemy fighter planes attacked residential neighbourhoods in the towns of Jalula and Kufra in the district of Diali. Our anti-aircraft defences repulsed the fighters and succeeded in hitting one of the aircraft, which was seen to crash in flames in Iranian territory.

In the course of the enemy attack, eight civilians died and four others were wounded, 11 dwellings were destroyed, 32 others damaged, and eight civilian vehicles at Jalula and civilian installations at Kufra were damaged.

Communiqué issued on 8 June 1984: Last evening and today, heavy artillery of the Iranian régime continued to shell the towns of Basra, Khanaqin, Mandali and Zurbatiyah. The loss of human life and damage to property caused by the shelling are as follows:

Basra: 10 dead and 52 wounded, two dwellings destroyed, 25 other dwellings, one hotel, 12 civilian vehicles and civilian installations and property damaged.

Khanaqin: one wounded, six dwellings destroyed, 30 other dwellings and the town hospital damaged, two schools destroyed, one primary and the other secondary, the public library, six vehicles and other civilian property damaged.

Mandali and Zurbatiyah: Parks set on fire and civilian installations damaged.

Communiqué issued on 9 June 1984: Heavy artillery of the Iranian régime continued yesterday evening and today to shell the towns of Basra, Khanaqin, Mandali, Zurbatiyah, Dirbandjan, Sayyid Sadiq, Chandari and their environs. The loss of human life and damage to property caused by the savage shelling by the enemy are as follows:

Basra: eight dead, 23 wounded, two dwellings, two commercial premises, one school and one hotel destroyed, 33 dwellings, a mosque, a hospital and other civilian installations damaged.

Zurbatiyah: five dwellings destroyed.

The enemy shelling damaged civilian installations in the towns of Khanaqin, Mandali, Dirbandjan, Sayyid Sadiq and Chandari.

In addition, today at 1756 hours, two enemy fighter planes attempted to attack residential neighbourhoods in the town of Ali Gharbi. Our anti-aircraft defences forced the fighter planes to turn back after jettisoning their fuel outside the town. In the course of the attack, four civilians were wounded.

Communiqué issued on 10 June 1984: Heavy artillery of the Iranian régime continued yesterday evening and today to shell the towns of Basra, Mandali, Khanaqin, Zurbatiyah, Dirbandjan and their environs. The loss of human life and the damage to property caused by the savage shelling are as follows:

Basra: five dead, 23 wounded, including one child, three dwellings destroyed, 18 other dwellings, five civilian vehicles, three commercial premises, one of the town's mosques and civilian property damaged.

Mandali: two dwellings and one shop damaged.

Khanaqin: two dwellings destroyed, another dwelling and three shops damaged.

Zurbatiyah: three dwellings destroyed.

Dirbandjan: one wounded and nine dwellings destroyed.

Halbaja: civilian installations damaged.

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