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### CONSEQUENCES OF THE PROLONGATION OF THE ARMED CONFLICT BETWEEN IRAN AND IRAQ

Letter dated 12 March 1985 from the Permanent Representative of  
the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to  
the Secretary-General\*

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to write to you about the miry record of madness and insanity in which the murderous Iraqi régime has so despicably drowned itself since 5 March and until 11 March 1985.

As you are aware, the Iraqi régime, in spite of the warning of the Islamic Republic of Iran, attacked Ahwaz on 4 March 1985. In retaliation for Iraqi continuous violations of the 12 June Agreement, the Islamic Republic of Iran took a restrained action, on a limited basis, against Basra only after a 24 hour warning whereby the inhabitants had the chance to evacuate the target area. Even in retaliatory measures by the forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the humanitarian concerns have been fully taken into account and, as a result, only three people were injured in Basra, according to testimony of the Iraqi régime itself.

The Iraqi régime, on the contrary, has continued its violation of the 12 June Agreement and has tremendously intensified its indiscriminate and deliberate attacks on the population centres of the Islamic Republic of Iran since 5 March 1985.

The atrocities of this hopeless régime since then are unequivocally the landmark of flagrant violations of not only international law, Geneva Conventions or the conduct of war but also its own undertaking on 12 June 1984, and certainly a

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path that no responsible and principled régime should follow - for it is the climax of sanguinariness against innocent civilians.

Seven hundred and seventy-three people were martyred and 2,747 injured between 5 March 1985 and 11 March 1985 by the Iraqi criminal régime and the search for more bodies still continues.

Enclosed please find a tentative list of Iraqi attacks on purely civilian population centres.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter were circulated as a document of the thirty-ninth session of the General Assembly under agenda item 44.

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Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

| No | CITIES            | DATE                    | NATURE OF ATTACK            | CASUALTIES & DAMAGES      |
|----|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1  | Gilan-e-Gharb     | 9 March 1985            |                             | 4 Martyrs                 |
| 2  | Bakhtaran         | 8 March 1985            |                             | 80 Martyrs - 650 Injured  |
| 3  | Khorramabad       | 9 March 1985            | 4 Ground to ground missiles | 120 Martyrs - 500 Injured |
| 4  | Dezful            | 7, 9 March 1985         | 12 Missiles                 | 19 Martyrs - 175 Injured  |
| 5  | Dehloran          | 9 March 1985            | Aerial attack               | Not reported              |
| 6  | Oroumiyeh         |                         | Air space Violation         |                           |
| 7  | Abadan            | 7, 8, 9, 10 March, 1985 | 8 Aerial attacks            | 30 Martyrs - 150 Injured  |
| 8  | Bandar-e-Khomeini |                         | Aerial attack               | Not reported              |
| 9  | Boroujerd         |                         | Aerial attack               | Not reported              |
| 10 | Sanandaj          |                         | Aerial attack               | 111 Martyrs - 111 Injured |
| 11 | Masjid-e-Soleiman | 8 March 1985            | Missile attack              | Not reported              |
| 12 | Andimeshk         | 10 March 1985           | Missile attack              | Not reported              |
| 13 | Marivan           | 10 March 1985           | Aerial attack               | 80 Martyrs                |
| 14 | Baneh             | 10 March 1985           | Aerial attack               | 40 Martyrs - 60 Injured   |

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|    | Kharg & Bushehr   | 10 March 1985     | Air Space Violation              |  |
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| 15 |                   |                   |                                  |  |
| 16 | Ramhormoz         |                   | Missile attack                   | 13 martyrs - 100 Injured<br>50 Houses destroyed & 300 Houses damaged |
| 17 | Nehavand          | 10 March 1985     | 3 missiles dropped by Aeroplanes | 18 Martyrs - 120 Injured<br>12 in critical condition                 |
| 18 | Salehabadan       | 10 March 1985     | Aerial attack                    | 40 Martyrs - 130 Injured   |
| 19 | Isfahan           | 10 March 1985     | Aerial attack                    | 2 Martyr - 19 Injured  |
| 20 | Piranshahr        | 9 March 1985      | Aerial attack                    | 60 Martyrs more than 300 Injured                                     |
| 21 | Tabriz            | 10 March 1985     | Aerial attack                    | 34 Martyrs - 209 Injured   |
| 22 | Susanerd          | 8,9 March 1985    | Aerial attack (Cluster bombs)    | 48 Martyrs - 200 Injured   |
| 23 | Pasveh            | 9 March 1985      | Aerial attack                    | 40 Martyrs   |
| 24 | Sar-e-Pol-e-Zahab | 7,8,9 March, 1985 | Aerial attack                    | 34 Martyrs - 23 Injured  |