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Letter dated 16 July 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 draw your attention to the following.

The criminal Iraqi régime, in continuation of its chemical warfare against the forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran, has shelled the north-east of Basra with chemical cannon balls on 7 May 1985, as a result of which several people have been injured.

The Iraqi Ba'athists continued their chemical warfare until the following day and on 8 May 1985 the Kenareh region lying across the south-west of Sardasht was targeted by chemical cannon balls.

Despite the fact that the criminal Iraqi régime has been repeatedly condemned for its use of chemical weapons against the forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran and despite the international political pressure exerted thereby, the ruling gang of Iraq has not yet abandoned its gross violations of the 1925 Geneva Protocol prohibiting the use of chemical agents in war. Therefore, Your Excellency is hereby called upon to take further necessary action to put an end to the Iraqi use of chemical weapons, thus terminating the probability of unwanted retaliatory actions. This step by Your Excellency may revive the desperately needed credibility and authority of the international instrument at stake.

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It would be highly appreciated if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 63 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Said RAJAIE-KHORASSANI
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