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TELEX MESSAGE TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE ATOMIC ENERGY ORGANIZATION OF IRAN

The attached text of a telex message to the Director General from Mr. R. Amrollahi, Deputy Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Iran and President of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran, is being circulated to all Member States at the request of the Iranian Permanent Mission. The Director General's reply is also attached.

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ATTACHMENT 1 TELEX KHS/19948 OF 19 JULY 1988

Your Excellency,

In view of the latest developments in the Iran-Iraq war, it is imperative to bring the following to your attention:

- As you are aware, the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran announced the acceptance of the terms of United Nations resolution 598 on 18 July 1988 and informed the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Perez de Cuellar, accordingly.
- 2. Regrettably, according to information which we have just received, at 0840 hrs on 19 July 1988 Bushehr Nuclear Power Plant was subjected to a severe air raid by Iraqi fighter-bombers. This military attack took place just one day after the above-mentioned announcement and is clearly a treacherous act directed against the spirit of United Nations resolution 598. Furthermore, it was the seventh Iraqi military attack on the Bushehr Nuclear Power Pant during the past four years, in the course of which extensive damage has been inflicted.
- 3. This latest hostile act of the Iraqi régime despite the positive and constructive diplomatic initatives of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, culminating in the official acceptance of United Nations resolution 598, which we are certain also has your full support, is clear evidence that the said régime does not have the slightest interest in peace. Owing to inadequate and ineffective reactions on the part of the international organizations to the previous military attacks

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> by the Iraqi régime on Iranian nuclear installation, all of which have been brought to the attention of the Agency in detail through numerous letters and telexes, in particular our telex of 15 february 1988, the Iraqi régime persists in warmongering and destructive military attacks.

4. Considering the above and also your personal initiatives, in particular on 24 February 1988, during the 687th meeting of the IAEA's Board of Governors, it is imperative that the Agency adopt an urgent and effective stand against this latest Iraqi atrocity and, besides condemning this hostile act of violence, adopt all necessary measures to prevent further military attacks on peaceful Iranian nuclear installations, whether in operation or under construction (I refer in this connection to your telex of 27 November 1987^{*/}). Effective measures by the Agency in this respect would prevent further violations of United Nations resolution 598 and IAEA General Conference resolutions 409 and 444 (I refer in this connection to IAEA documents GOV/INF/471, 473 and 480).

^{*/} See INFCIRC/346/Add.3, Attachment 2.

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ATTACHMENT 2

TEXT OF A TELEX FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE ATOMIC ENERGY ORGANIZATION OF IRAN

29 July 1988

Dear Mr. Amrollahi,

I refer to your telex message to me of 19 July and to recent exchanges about the Agency's preparations for sending a technical mission to the Bushehr Nuclear Power Plant to review the status of the plant from the point of view of safety.

I regret that the dispatch of the mission has been delayed and that further damage to the Bushehr plant seems to have been inflicted through an attack reported to have occurred shortly after Iran's acceptance of United Nations resolution 598. I hope that this welcome acceptance will lead to a speedy end to active hostilities and that the mission can be sent, as presently planned, towards the end of August.