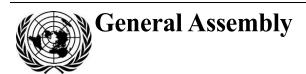
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## Letter dated 26 September 2022 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith the response by the Islamic Republic of Iran (see annex) to the address made by Alberto Fernández, President of the Argentine Republic, on 20 September 2022 during the general debate of the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly, as well as the considerations annexed to the note verbale dated 24 January 2022 from the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/76/664).

I would be grateful if you could have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 8.

(Signed) Amir Saeid Iravani Ambassador Permanent Representative





## Annex to the letter dated 26 September 2022 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

## Remarks in response to the President of the Argentine Republic during the general debate at the seventy-seventh session of the General Assembly

The President of the Republic of Argentina, during his address to the General Assembly on 20 September 2022, made a request to the Islamic Republic of Iran for cooperation with the Argentine judicial authorities to advance the investigation into the attack on the AMIA in Argentina. In this regard, we would like to highlight the following:

The Islamic Republic of Iran condemns and rejects the acts, methods and practices of terrorism wherever, by whomever, against whomsoever committed. We do believe that there is a need for a comprehensive plan as well as close cooperation and coordination between relevant stakeholders to eradicate terrorism. As a target of terrorism in the past and today, the Islamic Republic of Iran has always been and will always remain committed to actively engaging in the fight against terrorism.

Tehran has repeatedly condemned the AMIA bombing since its occurrence and has expressed sympathy with the families of its victims. Iran accepted Argentina's call in the General Assembly tribune in 2012 for talks as a gesture of goodwill for fact-finding and rule of justice. In this regard, Tehran and Buenos Aires signed a memorandum of understanding on the issue in January 2013, but regretfully the Argentine Government is not willing to implement the agreement that it has undertaken itself.

Once again, the Islamic Republic of Iran emphasizes its preparedness for constructive cooperation with Argentine authorities. In this regard and as another gesture of helpfulness, we have proposed a new initiative for a meeting between the two countries' judicial officials with a view to removing the shortcomings, deficiencies and ambiguities that exist in the Argentine requests. This proposal has not received an appropriate response from the Argentine officials.

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