



In the name of God, the most Compassionate, the most Merciful

No. 2538690

24 June 2025

Excellency,

Upon instructions from my Government, and pursuant to our letter dated 21 June 2025 (S/2025/404) concerning the United States' unlawful and unprovoked aerial strikes against the Islamic Republic of Iran's safeguarded peaceful nuclear facilities at Fordow, Natanz, and Isfahan on 21 June 2025, for which the President of the United States immediately and publicly has taken responsibility, I wish to inform you and the members of the Security Council of the following:

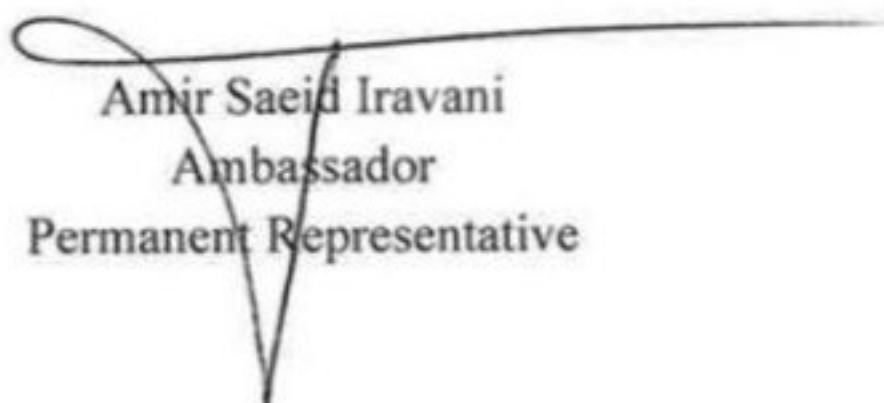
Exercising its inherent right of self-defense under Article 51 of the United Nations Charter, and responding to the United States' aggressive attack on Iran's sovereignty and territorial integrity—an armed attack that was followed by inaction and silence from the UN Security Council despite Iran's repeated calls for decisive measures—on 23 June 2025, the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran took a lawful and proportionate defensive response, in line with international law and international humanitarian law, through striking the U.S. forces' airbase at Al Udeid, State of Qatar.

Iran's action fully complies with international law and international humanitarian law. The targeted base lies at a significant distance from any urban or residential areas, ensuring there is no collateral damage.

The Islamic Republic of Iran emphasizes that this defensive and lawful action poses no threat to the friendly and brotherly nation of the State of Qatar or its esteemed people. Iran remains committed to preserving the longstanding and cordial relations between our two nations.

I would be grateful if the present letter could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.


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