



In the Name of God, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

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Excellency,

Upon instructions from my Government, and further to our previous letters regarding the ongoing acts of aggression and the unprovoked war carried out by the United States and the Israeli regime against the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic Republic of Iran, I write to you with the utmost urgency to bring to the attention of the Secretary-General and the members of the Security Council yet another criminal and terrorist attack targeting Iran's civilian energy infrastructure, a development of grave concern that poses a serious threat to international peace and security.

At the early hours of today, 18 March 2026, civilian gas facilities in the southern region of the Islamic Republic of Iran, including installations associated with the South Pars gas field and Asaluyeh, were deliberately targeted by military attacks carried out by the United States and the Israeli regime. The extent of the damage inflicted on Iran's gas facilities in the South Pars region is currently being assessed. Based on preliminary evaluations, several phases of the South Pars gas field have been rendered inoperative and temporarily taken offline as a result of this criminal attack. These facilities constitute critical civilian infrastructure essential to the provision of energy, economic stability, and the welfare of millions of civilians.

These criminal and terrorist attacks constitute a grave and flagrant violation of international law, including the core principles of international humanitarian law. The deliberate targeting of civilian objects, including critical energy infrastructure, is strictly prohibited under the law of armed conflict and amounts to a war crime. Moreover, such unlawful actions carry a high risk of severe environmental damage and catastrophic humanitarian consequences, including disruptions to essential services, economic hardship, and threats to civilian life.

The United States and the Israeli regime bear full international responsibility for these heinous crimes, as well as for violations of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Islamic



Republic of Iran, and for the resulting loss of civilian life and the extensive destruction of civilian infrastructure across the country.

In response to these deliberate and unlawful attacks on Iran's civilian infrastructure, the Islamic Republic of Iran reserves its inherent right of self-defence under Article 51 of the Charter of the United Nations and will take all necessary and proportionate measures to fully safeguard its sovereignty, territorial integrity, and vital national interests.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

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

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