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Dear Mr. President,

I am writing in accordance with Article 51 of the Charter of the United Nations to report to the Security Council that the Kingdom of Denmark, as called for by the Security Council in its resolution 2249 (2015) and in response to the request by the Government of Iraq, is taking necessary and proportionate measures against the so-called Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL, also known as Da'esh) in Syria in exercise of the inherent right of collective self-defence as part of international efforts led by the United States of America.

The Security Council recognised in its resolution 2249 (2015) that ISIL constitutes a global and unprecedented threat to international peace and security. In this respect the Security Council noted the letters dated 25 June 2014 and 20 September 2014 from the Government of Iraq stating that ISIL has established a safe haven outside of Iraq's borders that is a direct threat to the security of the Iraqi people and territory. Furthermore, the Security Council condemned the horrifying terrorist attacks perpetrated by ISIL including in Sousse, Ankara, Beirut and Paris and over Sinai, and noted that ISIL has the capability and intention to carry out further attacks.

The Security Council called upon Member States to prevent and suppress terrorist acts committed by ISIL and to eradicate the safe haven ISIL has established over significant parts of Iraq and Syria. In accordance with Article 51 of the Charter of the United Nations the Kingdom of Denmark is taking measures against ISIL in support of this call.

I request that you circulate this letter as a document of the Security Council.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ib Petersen', is written over a horizontal line.

Ib Petersen

Permanent Representative of Denmark to the United Nations