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THE DEPORTATION OF FAYLEE KURDS (SHIAA KURD) ALSO KNOWN AS PHAILY, FAILY OR FAILI KURDS FROM IRAQ TO IRAN IN 1980

Relevant extract of a teletype from Baghdad to FCO London.

Subject: Iraq/Iran. Dated: 16 June 1980

‘We have heard indirectly from the Iranian Chargé D’Affaires that, after a three-week lull, deportations to Iran have started again though on a reduced scale. He thought that some 500 had been expelled last week.’

Relevant extract from a letter from the Chargé D’Affaires A.I of the Permanent Mission of Iran to the United Nations Addressed to the Secretary General.

Subject: Letter of President of Iran addressed to the Secretary-General. Dated 1 October 1980.

‘The expulsion of more than 40,000 Iraqi of Iranian origin or Shiite persuasion from Iraq and their abandonment on our soil last April and March was another indication of Iraqi hostility towards the Islamic republic of Iran. This violation of human rights was reported to your office but unfortunately no condemnation of this massive inhumanity was issued by any organ of the United Nations.’