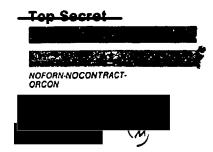


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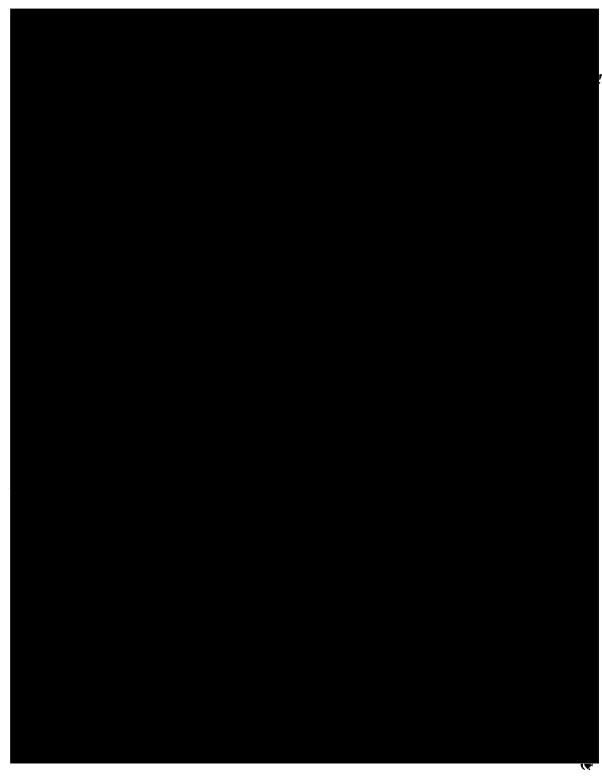
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IRAQ-IRAN: Iraqi Missile Attack on Tehran

traq used ballistic missiles yesterday and today for the first time in the war. As many as nine missiles were fired from near Al 'Amarah in southeastern Iraq at the Iranian capital—a distance of about 580 kilometers. At least three missiles hit the vicinity of Tehran. Baghdad threatened to fire more missiles at the Iranian capital in retaliation for Iranian artillery and missile attacks on Iraqi cities last weekend.

Comment: Iraq's unprecedented missile strikes on Tehran suggest Baghdad's resolve to respond strongly to Iran's recent attacks even at the risk of starting a new war of the cities. Iraq's leaders will use the attacks to boost Iraqi morale by claiming that further Iranian Scud missile attacks on Baghdad will be met with more Iraqi missile attacks on Tehran. Iraq's claims last August that it had manufactured and tested a missile with a range of more than 600 kilometers are unconfirmed. Baghdad has been interested in acquiring longer range missiles from the Soviets or missiles and related technology from Argentina and Egypt



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