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The Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary General of the United Nations and has the honour to inform that the convoy of His Excellency Mr. Bashir Wali Mohammad, High Commissioner of Pakistan to Sri Lanka, was attacked on 14 August 2006 in Colombo.

The High Commission, along with his family, was on his way to attend a farewell lunch at a local hotel in Colombo. When his car reached Liberty Plaza, Colombo, a powerful remote control bomb placed in a three wheeler Auto parked nearby exploded. The High Commissioner's life along with his family was saved. However, there were casualties, which included seven dead and nine injured; all Sri Lankan nationals. The dead included four Sri Lankan Security Guards provided by the Government of Sri Lanka for protection of the High Commissioner and three passers by. The nine injured included three Security Guards and six passers by.

The information may be circulated according to the established practice.

The Permanent Mission of Pakistan avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary General the assurances of its highest consideration.

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