Secretary-General Calls Upon Iran to Act with Moderation, Caution, Good Sense, following Launch of Ballistic Missile

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The following statement was issued today by the Spokesman for UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon:

With the achievement of Implementation Day pursuant to the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action and Security Council resolution 2231 (2015), Security Council sanctions previously imposed on Iran have been terminated.

In that resolution, the Secretary-General notes, the Council called upon Iran not to undertake any activity related to ballistic missiles designed to be capable of delivering nuclear weapons, including launches using such ballistic missile technology.

The Secretary-General also notes that it is for the Security Council to examine information regarding resolution 2231 (2015).

At the same time, the Secretary-General urges all concerned to act with restraint.  In the current political atmosphere in the Middle East region, and so soon after the positive news of the lifting of sanctions against Iran, the Secretary-General calls on the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to act with moderation, caution and the good sense not to increase tensions through any hasty actions.