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THE SITUATION IN KAMPUCHEA

Letter dated 8 May 1980 from the Permanent Representative of Viet Nam
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

At the request of His Excellency Mr. Hun Sen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Kampuchea, I have the honour to forward herewith to Your Excellency the statement dated 5 May 1980 by the Foreign Ministry of the People's Republic of Kampuchea on the adoption by the Economic and Social Council of the ASEAN-sponsored resolution for the convocation of an international conference on urgent humanitarian aid to Kampuchea, and kindly request Your Excellency to have this letter and its enclosure circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 22 of the preliminary list.

(Signed) HA VAN LAU
Permanent Representative of
the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
to the United Nations

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ANNEX

S T A T E M E N T

by the Foreign Ministry of the People's Republic
of Kampuchea on the adoption by ECOSOC of the ASEAN-
sponsored resolution for the convocation of an international
conference on urgent humanitarian aid to Kampuchea

The People's Revolutionary Council of Kampuchea, in its April 26th, 1980 message to the U.N. General Secretary and the ECOSOC President, stressed that the reception and distribution of humanitarian aid granted by socialist countries and the international community have been conducted normally and have recorded encouraging results.

Consequently, the People's Revolutionary Council of Kampuchea deems it unnecessary to convene such an international conference as proposed by the ASEAN countries to discuss urgent aid to the Kampuchean people.

The People's Revolutionary Council of Kampuchea has no objection to an international conference which, in a truly humanitarian spirit, aims to mobilize the resources of the international community to aid the Kampuchean people, victims of the genocidal Pol Pot - Ieng Sary regime for four years, who still need much more international aid.

However, the People's Revolutionary Council of Kampuchea severely condemns all manoeuvres to interfere, under the pretext of humanitarian aid, in the internal affairs of the People's Republic of Kampuchea, and serve political ends of the Beijing expansionists, the U.S. imperialists and other international reactionary forces.

The People's Revolutionary Council of Kampuchea considers the resolution of the ASEAN countries which has been adopted by the U.N. ECOSOC to be a grave violation of the sovereignty of the People's Republic of Kampuchea and a brazen intervention in its internal affairs, and rejects that resolution as null and void.

Phnom Penh, May 5, 1980
