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Letter dated 7 September 1983 from the Permanent Representative of
China to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose herewith the text of a statement by Mr. Zhang Dewei, Deputy Director of the Asian Department of the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, during his meeting with Ho Hanh, Counsellor of the Vietnamese Embassy at Beijing, on 30 August 1983, in reply to a note dated 19 August from the Vietnamese Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs. I should be grateful if you would be kind enough to arrange for its circulation as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 11 and 23 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) LING Qing
Permanent Representative of
the People's Republic of China to
the United Nations

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Zhang Dewei, Deputy Director of the Asian Department of the Chinese Foreign Ministry, made the following statement during his meeting with Ho Hanh, Counsellor of the Vietnamese Embassy in Beijing, on 30 August 1983 in reply to a note of 19 August from the Vietnamese Foreign Ministry to the Chinese Foreign Ministry:

In recent years the Vietnamese side has customarily proposed a "cease-fire" on the occasions of National Day celebrations and Spring Festivals. The Chinese side has repeatedly indicated that the Vietnamese side should stop using "cease-fire" offers for deceptive propaganda.

What the Chinese Government and people are hoping is that there will be a lasting peaceful, quiet and stable environment at the Sino-Vietnamese border, not merely a short period of calm during the Spring Festival (TET) or National Day celebrations.

Provided that the Vietnamese side does not make military provocations in the border regions and incursions into Chinese territory, there will be tranquility at the Sino-Vietnamese border and the residents of both countries there will be able to celebrate their Spring Festivals and National Days in peace and tranquility, live and work in peace and contentment for long. Only this really conforms to the interests of both the Chinese and Vietnamese peoples.

It is now a matter of urgency that Vietnam should immediately stop its aggression against Kampuchea and unconditionally pull out all its aggressor troops from that country. This is the strong desire not only of the Chinese and Vietnamese peoples but also of the people of the Southeast Asian countries.
