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LETTER DATED 17 OCTOBER 1966 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CAMBODIA
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to bring to the notice of the members of the Security Council the following statement of the Royal Government of Cambodia dated 6 October 1966:

"On 18 September 1966, about 9 a.m., Khmer troops from Kauk Romiet, consisting of soldiers and members of the national defence force, while patrolling the frontier, set off a mine laid in Khmer territory by armed Thai elements at a point situated approximately 15 km from the frontier and about 13 km south-west of the town of Tamar Puok, in the Province of Battambang.

"The explosion killed on the spot one member of the national defence force and wounded four others, one of them seriously.

"The Royal Government of Cambodia protests with the greatest indignation against this latest Thai crime which has been added to an already long list of acts of terrorism, provocation, aggression and sabotage perpetrated almost daily by Thai warmongers against neutral and peaceful Cambodia. The victims of this continuous aggression on the part of Thailand along the Khmer-Thai frontier are in most cases peaceful, defenceless peasants, among them women and children.

"Finally, the Royal Government draws the attention of all countries which love peace and justice to the extremely serious situation created on the Khmer-Thai frontier by the war-like and expansionist policy of Thailand, which constitutes a threat to peace in this region of South-East Asia."

I should be obliged if you would have the text of this communication circulated as a document of the Security Council.

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) Huot SAMBATH