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LETTER DATED 4 JANUARY 1980 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO  
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, for your information, the statement by the spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Democratic Kampuchea dated 30 December 1979 condemning the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

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

(Signed) THIOUNN Prasith  
Permanent Representative of  
Democratic Kampuchea

Annex

Statement dated 30 December 1979 by the spokesman of the Ministry  
of Foreign Affairs of Democratic Kampuchea condemning the Soviet  
intervention in Afghanistan

Recently, the Soviet Union has sent several tens of thousands of troops to invade Afghanistan.

This military intervention is a brutal interference in the internal affairs of Afghanistan and has flagrantly infringed upon Afghanistan's sovereignty and territorial integrity and violated international law, the Charter of the United Nations and the principles of non-alignment. The Soviet military intervention has not only brought indescribable suffering to the Afghan people and made Afghanistan lose its independence, but it has also seriously threatened peace, security and stability in south Asia and other regions of the world.

The Government of Democratic Kampuchea vigorously condemns this brutal military intervention of the Soviet Union and demands that the Soviet Government immediately withdraw all its troops from Afghanistan and let the Afghan people decide their own destiny by themselves.

The Soviet international expansionists and their lackeys, the Le Duan clique as well, have always put forward various pretexts to cover up their acts of aggression and expansion.

At a time when it had sent more than 100,000 troops to invade Kampuchea, the Le Duan clique declared that it had complied with the appeal from the puppet front it had set up beforehand. In fact, it expected to take possession of Kampuchea at once and integrate it in its "Indo-China Federation" and extend its expansion in South-East Asia so as to control the maritime route of South China Sea and the Strait of Malacca and to put South-East Asia under its control and that of the Soviet expansionist big Power.

In Afghanistan, the Soviet Union is implementing its plan aimed at controlling the maritime route of the Indian Ocean and South Asia subcontinent in the framework of its attempts to rig up its "System of Collective Security in Asia" and world domination.

The Le Duan clique's war of aggression, expansion, annexation and racial extermination in Kampuchea and the Soviet brutal military intervention in Afghanistan, as well as the Cuban armed intervention in Africa and the Middle East, are all component parts of a sole and same plan, that of the Soviet international expansionist big Power and its lackeys throughout the world.

The Government of Democratic Kampuchea is convinced that all independence- and justice-loving countries and peoples the world over and, more particularly, the non-aligned countries will heighten their vigilance by opposing the deceitful manoeuvres of the Soviet Union and uniting more closely within the international front against the international expansionists.

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The people of Kampuchea, the National Army and the Government of Democratic Kampuchea will continue to overcome all obstacles and difficulties, to consent to all sacrifices and to fight until they totally wipe out all the Le Duan clique's troops from Kampuchea. In so doing, they have only one goal: that is to preserve the Kampuchean race and ensure the perennality of Kampuchea as a nation with its own entity and as an independent country. At the same time, they are bringing their contribution to the common cause of the peoples and countries which cherish independence, peace and justice and which are struggling against the international expansionists and their lackeys.

The Government of Democratic Kampuchea is convinced that these peoples and countries will redouble their activities in order to compel the Le Duan clique to withdraw immediately and unconditionally all its troops from Kampuchea so as to let the Kampuchean people decide by themselves their own destiny, in accordance with the resolution of the United Nations General Assembly at its thirty-fourth session.

It is the same for the Afghan issue. It is only by compelling the Soviet troops to withdraw from Afghanistan that the Afghan people will be able to decide by themselves their own destiny and that peace and security in the South Asia subcontinent can be ensured.

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