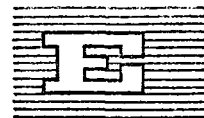


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QUESTION OF THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS  
IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO COLONIAL  
AND OTHER DEPENDENT COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

Letter dated 10 December 1979 from the Deputy Permanent  
Representative of Democratic Kampuchea addressed to the  
Director of the Division of Human Rights

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for your information, the following texts:

1. Statement dated 10 August 1979 issued by the Press and Information Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Democratic Kampuchea; 1/
2. Denial dated 13 November 1979 issued by the spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Democratic Kampuchea;
3. Press release dated 14 November 1979 issued by the Ministry of Information of Democratic Kampuchea; 2/
4. Statement of the Government of Democratic Kampuchea dated 24 November 1979; 3/
5. Statement of the Government of Democratic Kampuchea dated 2 December 1979. 4/

I should be grateful if you would have these texts circulated as official documents of the Commission of Human Rights under item 12 of the agenda for its forthcoming thirty-sixth session.

(Signed) TE SUN HOA  
Counsellor  
Deputy Permanent Representative

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DENIAL

by the spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
of Democratic Kampuchea

Democratic Kampuchea, 13 November 1979

The Le Duan clique recently ordered its running dogs at Phnom Penh to invent a story to the effect that the Government of Democratic Kampuchea arrested and executed six American nationals and two Australian nationals in 1978.

This is not the first time the Le Duan clique has concocted such crude inventions. On the occasion of the Summit Conference of Non-aligned Countries and also just prior to the current session of the United Nations General Assembly, the Le Duan clique fabricated stories of American nationals arrested and killed in Kampuchea. The manoeuvre is being repeated just as the United Nations General Assembly is discussing the situation in Kampuchea. This is an attempt to prevent the General Assembly from adopting a resolution demanding the withdrawal of Vietnamese troupes from Kampuchea.

The spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Democratic Kampuchea categorically refutes these vile slanders put out by the Le Duan clique. The Government of Democratic Kampuchea has never arrested any American or Australian citizen. It is in fact the Le Duan clique which has sent more than 220,000 soldiers to attack and invade Kampuchea and which is at present preventing entry into Kampuchea so as to be able at its leisure to proceed with the extermination of the Kampuchean people and race. It is this clique which, to this end, does not shrink from inventing all kinds of stories to deceive and mislead world opinion which everywhere denounces and condemns it. Its vile and deceitful manoeuvre is certain to fail.

The Government of Democratic Kampuchea is satisfied that this new invention by the Le Duan clique, sinister as it is, will in no way be able to hamper the activities being carried out and the efforts being made by the world and by all mankind to shatter the clique's plan aimed at extermination of the Kampuchean race, and to counter the danger of Vietnamese regional expansionism in south-east Asia and the Pacific. The United Nations, which is at present debating this problem, will no doubt adopt a resolution calling for the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of all Vietnamese troupes and forces of aggression from Kampuchea so as to leave the Kampuchean people free to determine its own destiny without any outside interference.

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