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Letter dated 26 January 1987 from the Permanent Representative
of Democratic Kampuchea to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for your information, a statement of clarification dated 22 January 1987 by the spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea.

I should be most grateful if you would have the text of the statement distributed as an official document of the General Assembly, under the item entitled "The situation in Kampuchea", and of the Security Council.

(Signed) THIOUNN Prasith
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Statement of clarification dated 22 January 1987 by the spokesman
of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Coalition Government of
Democratic Kampuchea

Recently the mass media around the world have reported on the proposal made by the Hanoi authorities through President Nicolae Ceausescu of the Socialist Republic of Romania calling upon the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea (CGDK) to negotiate with the Vietnamese puppet in Phnom Penh.

The spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the CGDK would like to point out, as a clarification, that H.R.H. Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, President of Democratic Kampuchea, has already informed President Ceausescu that the CGDK could not accept such a proposal.

The world community is aware that this proposal is yet another attempt by Viet Nam to mislead world public opinion into believing that the war in Kampuchea is a civil war and to bury the basic problem, Viet Nam's invasion and continued occupation of Kampuchea.

If the CGDK were to accept this Vietnamese proposal, it would commit suicide by abandoning its status as the sole legal and legitimate Government of Kampuchea and by recognizing the legality of the Vietnamese puppet; this would also be tantamount to allowing Viet Nam to occupy Kampuchea for ever.

The world community has been aware of the goodwill of the CGDK to seek a political solution to the Kampuchean problem through its 8-point peace plan of 17 March 1986.
