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Letter dated 2 June 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, a news release by the Ministry of Information of Democratic Kampuchea concerning the popular war of national resistance against the war of aggression and racial extermination being waged by the Vietnamese expansionists.

I should be grateful if you would have this text circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 22 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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Annex

NEWS RELEASE CONCERNING THE POPULAR WAR OF NATIONAL RESISTANCE
AGAINST THE WAR OF AGGRESSION AND RACIAL EXTERMINATION BEING
WAGED BY THE VIETNAMESE EXPANSIONISTS

Provisional report of losses inflicted on the Vietnamese troops during April 1980:

I. North-western front:

1. Samlaut sector: 1,353 killed and wounded; a lorry, seven military cantonments and an ammunition depot destroyed.
2. Pailin sector: 1,075 killed and wounded.
3. Bavel sector: 890 killed and wounded; a camp seized.
4. Sector south of Highway No. 5: 1,078 killed and wounded, including two majors; 15 prisoners taken, including a lieutenant; 14 surrendered; two tanks and four guns destroyed.
5. Thmâr Puok sector: 749 killed and wounded, including a lieutenant and a major; three lorries and two trenches destroyed.

II. Northern front:

(Comprising the provinces of Oddar Meanchey, Siemreap and Preah Vihear):
1,564 killed and wounded, including a divisional commander and a major;
11 lorries, six vehicles and a boat destroyed.

III. North-eastern front:

(Comprising the provinces of Stung Trêng, Rattanakiri, Mondulkiri and Kratié):
1,200 killed and wounded; six camps and command posts destroyed.

IV. Eastern front:

(Provinces of Svay Rieng, Prey Vêng and East Kampong Cham): 325 killed and wounded.

V. Central front:

(Provinces of West Kampong Cham and Kampong Thom): 902 killed and wounded;
four lorries destroyed.

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VI. South-western front:

1. Koh Kong-Kampong Som area: 1,931 killed and wounded; five lorries destroyed and five villages liberated.
2. Western Leach area: 1,702 killed and wounded, including a major; six lorries and four camps destroyed, 10 posts captured.
3. Takeo, Kampot and South Kampong Speu provinces: 618 killed and wounded; five lorries and a boat destroyed.

VII. Western front:

(Provinces of Kampong Chhnang and North Kampong Speu): 708 killed and wounded; three lorries destroyed.

Three search-and-destroy operations crushed:

According to dispatches from the front dated 20 and 29 May, the guerrillas and the National Army of Democratic Kampuchea checkmated three search-and-destroy operations launched by the Vietnamese troops on 9, 15 and 22 May against the districts of Mongkolborei, Bavel and Sisophon (north-western Battambang province). The enemy forces committed were one division, supported by four tanks, in the first operation and 300 men, in three columns, in the second operation. In the third operation, the Vietnamese troops sent out a battallion, supported by three tanks and three 105-mm guns, in an attempt to retake the village of Takong.

The guerrillas organized the counter-offensive, with small groups attacking from all sides and driving the enemy into the minefields. In this way, all three operations were crushed within 24 hours of being launched. The enemy losses were 250 killed and wounded.

(New release by the Ministry of Information of Democratic Kampuchea)
