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Letter dated 24 June 1980 from the Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Further to my note dated 21 February 1980 (A/35/11h-S/13818), I have the honour, upon the instructions of my Government, to bring to your attention the following:

1. On 23 June 1980, from 5 a.m. to 3 p.m., after attacking the concentration of Kampuchean civilians along the Thai-Kampuchean border, more than two companies of Vietnamese-Heng Samrin forces intruded deep inside Thai territory and attacked Ban Non Makmoon Village in Ta Praya District, Prachinburi Province. These intruders burned down houses, and killed or injured a number of Thai civilians. These forces then occupied the village and later engaged in serious fighting with Thai military forces dispatched to repulse them from Thai territory. This armed engagement resulted in casualties on both sides.

2. At the same time, a unit of Vietnamese-Heng Samrin forces intruded into Thai territory at Ban Non Sao E, south of Ban Non Makmoon, Aranyapratet District, Prachinburi Province, and clashed with Thai military forces.

3. These incursions constitute further blatant violations of Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity causing loss of lives and property of the Thai people and aggravating the already tense situation along the Thai-Kampuchean border.

4. Thailand, therefore, strongly protests these acts of aggression and reserves the right to take necessary and legitimate measures to safeguard for sovereignty and territorial integrity and to protect the lives and property of her citizens, and to bring the matter before the Security Council for appropriate action as the situation demands.

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I have the honour to request that the text of this letter be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 22 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Pracha GUNA-KASEM Ambassador Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations

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