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Letter dated 26 June 1980 from the Permanent Representative of
China to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of a statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China on 26 June 1980 condemning Vietnamese aggression against Thailand. I request that this statement be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 22 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) CHEN Chu
Permanent Representative of the
People's Republic of China
to the United Nations

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STATEMENT

issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
of the People's Republic of China

June 26, 1980

On the morning of June 23, 1980, Vietnamese occupation troops in Kampuchea flagrantly intruded into Thailand to raid Thai villages along the border, causing heavy losses in life and property to the people in that locality. This act of aggression by the Vietnamese authorities, which is a gross violation of Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity and a breach of the norms of international relations, poses a serious threat to the peace and security of Thailand and of the region as a whole. The Chinese Government strongly denounces this armed Vietnamese invasion of Thailand and is watching developments closely.

The Vietnamese authorities, backed by the Soviet Union, stubbornly refuse to withdraw their aggressor troops from Kampuchea in disregard of the resolution of the U.N. General Assembly adopted at its 34th Session. Continuing to intensify their war of aggression in Kampuchea, they have at the same time massed troops along the Thai-Kampuchean border to constantly threaten and launch armed provocations against Thailand. Of late, they have tried by various means to legalize their aggression in Kampuchea and extricate themselves from their predicament. However, this latest act of theirs has given the lie to their assurances about not invading Thailand and helped people to see more clearly their wild ambition of dominating Indochina in pursuit of regional hegemonism.

The Thai Government has solemnly declared its determination to defend Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity. The Chinese Government and people firmly support this just stand of the Thai Government and will resolutely support the Government and people of Thailand in their struggle against aggression. The Chinese Government forcefully calls on the Vietnamese authorities to stop their aggression in Thailand at once and to withdraw all their aggressor troops from Kampuchea. We hereby call the attention of the Vietnamese authorities to the grave danger involved if they persist in military adventures in disregard of the just demands of the international community.
