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LETTER DATED 8 MARCH 1979 FROM MR. THIOUNM PRASITH, AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA, ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to send you herewith an editorial of "The Voice of Democratic Kampuchea" broadcast on 4 March 1979 and entitled "Stopping the aggression by Viet Nam corresponds to the direct and vital interests of the countries of South-East Asia".

I should be grateful if you would have this editorial distributed as a document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Thiounn PRASITH Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Democratic Kampuchea

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Annex

Editorial of "The Voice of Democratic Kampuchea" of 4 March 1979 entitled

"Stopping the aggression by Viet Nam corresponds to the direct and vital interests of the countries of South-East Asia"

It is the ambition of the Soviet expansionists to dominate the whole world. It is the ambition of the Vietnamese expansionists to dominate Kampuchea, Laos and South-East Asia. In order to achieve its ambition, the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique sent an army of more than 100,000 men to attack and invade Democratic Eampuchea in the most savage manner at the end of 1978.

The aggression by Viet Nam against Democratic Kampuchea created an extremely tense situation in South-East Asia, Asia, the Pacific and the entire world, and this tension has continued to increase during the past two months.

Faced with the Vietnamese aggression against and invasion of Democratic Kampuchea and the ambition of the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique to dominate South-East Asia, all the countries and peoples of South-East Asia see clearly that stopping and checking all the manoeuvres and aggressive and expansionist activities of Viet Nam corresponds to the direct and vital interests of all the countries and peoples of South-East Asia. It is for that reason that they have united and fought in order to demand that Viet Nam withdraw all its invasion forces from Democratic Kampuchea. This concrete action constitutes support for the just struggle of the people and revolutionary army of Kampuchea, who are fighting to expel all the Vietnamese invaders from the territory of Kampuchea. Moreover, this action corresponds to the obvious interests of all the countries and peoples of South-East Asia that care for peace, independence, neutrality and justice and wish to live in peace and security and to decide for themselves the future of their nation, as masters in their own country. It is for that reason that the combat movement to demand the withdrawal of the Vietnamese invasion forces from Kampuchea is daily becoming more powerful.

As a result of this powerful movement, the more threats and manoeuvres the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique engages in, the more certain it is to receive an increasing number of blows from all the countries and peoples of South-East Asia and the world.
