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Letter dated 22 January 1981 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, the statement dated 8 January 1981 by the spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Democratic Kampuchea on the aggression committed by the Le Duan clique against Thailand.

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

(Signed) THIOUNN PRASITH  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative  
of Democratic Kampuchea

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STATEMENT BY THE SPOKESMAN  
OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA

ON THE AGGRESSION COMMITTED  
BY THE LE DUAN CLIQUE AGAINST THAILAND

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On 3 and 5 January 1981, the Le Duan clique sent once again its soldiers to intrude into Thailand.

The Vietnamese soldiers first intruded into the village of Sra Nge at 800m of the border. On 5 January 1981, they fired several 105mm mortar shells landing at Thai villages of Boeung Kak and Saban causing 5 serious wounded among the Thai population. They were met with a vigorous riposte by the Royal Thai Army which inflicted on them a worthy punishment.

This criminal act was committed at a time when the Le Duan clique is more and more bogged down in all fields in Kampuchea. More especially in the diplomatic field, it comes under strong pressure exerted by the international community which demands the withdrawal of all its troops of aggression from Kampuchea in accordance with United Nations resolutions 34/22 and 35/6. Being driven into a total impasse and facing inextricable difficulties, the Le Duan clique persists in resorting to brute force to threaten the ASEAN countries.

These two recent aggressions constitute a flagrant and arrogant violation of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Kingdom of Thailand by the Le Duan clique, increasing therefore the tension in South-East Asia.

This criminal act once again shows to the international community how far the Hanoi clique is adept of the law of the jungle.

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The Government of Democratic Kampuchea strongly condemns this new crime committed by the Le Duan clique. It assures the friendly Royal Thai Government and Thai people of its entire solidarity and supports all measures taken by the Royal Thai Government and Army to oppose the Le Duan clique's aggression.

As far as they are concerned, the National Army and guerrillas of Democratic Kampuchea are determined to continue to wipe out more and more living forces of the Vietnamese army of aggression, thus bringing their actual contribution to the defence of peace, stability and security in South-East Asia.

Democratic Kampuchea,  
8 January 1981

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