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Letter dated 29 May 1981 from the Permanent Representative of
the Lao People's Democratic Republic to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

At the request of Mr. Hun Sen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Kampuchea, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of a telegram (annex I) and the text of the statement concerning the result of the general elections held in Kampuchea on 1 May 1981 (annex II).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter and the annexes thereto circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 34 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Vithaya SOURINHO
Ambassador, Permanent Representative

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ANNEX I

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM

To: H.E. Mr. Kurt WALDHEIM
Secretary-General of the United Nations
New York

I have the honour to present our compliments and to inform you of the result of the general elections held in my country on 1 May 1981.

I should be grateful if you would have the attached statement circulated as an official document of the General Assembly and of the Security Council of the United Nations.

Highest consideration

HUN SEN
Minister for Foreign Affairs of the
People's Republic of Kampuchea

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ANNEX II

STATEMENT

Elections to select the members of the National Assembly of the People's Republic of Kampuchea were held on 1 May 1981.

On 8 May 1981, the Electoral Council, headed by its President, Mr. SAY PHOU THAN, met in plenary session to examine the results of those elections, which were held in all parts of the country.

Having examined the situation with regard to the elections in the various localities, the general reports, and the reports by all the Electoral Committees recording the results of the elections, the Electoral Council unanimously reached the following conclusions: the elections to select the members of the National Assembly of the People's Republic of Kampuchea were held in a serious and enthusiastic atmosphere and in an orderly manner, in the presence of some 100 eminent foreigners and foreign journalists; the voting by universal suffrage, which was a complete success, confirmed the will of all the people of Kampuchea and showed that they are firmly determined to build an independent, peace-loving, free and genuinely happy Kampuchea; the voting by universal suffrage implemented the right to true democracy, in accordance with the provisions of the Decree-Law on Elections of the People's Republic of Kampuchea. The right to democracy of all the people of Kampuchea and the rights and freedoms of the various ethnic groups, as well as the principles of equal and direct universal suffrage and secret balloting were respected. The electoral registers in the various localities were prepared in the prescribed manner. The voters were completely free to choose those who were to represent them in the supreme organ of the State and participated enthusiastically in the elections.

All the Electoral Committees and Electoral Commissions applied the Decree-Law on Elections strictly and performed their functions properly.

The percentage of those voting in each electoral district was very high: in the Phnom Penh district, votes were cast by 99.17 per cent of the registered voters.

The percentage of those voting was likewise high in a number of provinces near the border between Kampuchea and Thailand and in the mountain regions, for example:

Koh Kong: 99.98 per cent
Preah Vihear: 99 per cent
Rattanakiri: 97.74 per cent
Battambang: 96.74 per cent
Mundolkiri: 96.70 per cent
Siemreap: 94.84 per cent

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Taking the country as a whole, votes were cast by 97.82 per cent of registered voters and in many sroks, khums and polling stations, the percentage was 100 per cent.

All the electoral districts successfully elected representatives to the National Assembly and the number of such representatives is equal to that set beforehand.

The leaders of the Party, of the Front d'Union nationale pour le Salut du Kampuchea and of the Conseil Populaire Révolutionnaire du Kampuchea were all elected by an overwhelming majority. No electoral district was obliged to hold a second election or a supplementary election.

The Electoral Council proclaimed the results of the elections to select the members of the National Assembly of the People's Republic of Kampuchea as follows:

Number of electoral districts: 20
Number of members of the National Assembly to be elected: 117
Number of candidates: 148
Number of persons actually voting as percentage of registered voters:
97.82 per cent
Valid ballots as percentage of number of voters: 99.59 per cent
Invalid ballots as percentage of number of voters: 0.40 per cent
Number of candidates elected to the National Assembly of the People's Republic
of Kampuchea: 117

Among the 117 candidates elected to the National Assembly of the People's Republic of Kampuchea, there are:

- 53 Representatives of the Party, of the Front d'Union nationale pour le Salut du Kampuchea and of the cadres of the various State institutions, including Mr. HENG SAMRIN, Mr. PENH SOVAN, Mr. CHEA SIM, Mr. SAY PHOU THAN, Mr. HUN SEN, Mr. BOU THANG, Mr. CHEA SOTH ...
- 1 Representative of religion, the Venerable TEP VONG.
- 20 Representatives of the intellectuals, including Princess SISOWATH SOVETHIVONG MONIVONG, Mr. HOR NAM HONG, Mr. YIT KIM SENG, Mr. VANDY DAON, Mr. MYMY SAMEDY, Mr. KHIEU KAMGHARITH, Mr. CHEM SGUON ...
- 6 Representatives of those working in the fields of health, education and culture, including Mr. KEO CHENDA, Mr. CHAN VEN, Miss PHLEK PHIRUN, Mrs. CHEA SAMY NQ., Art Instructor, and Mrs. LAK AUN, Director of Education and Instruction of the Province of Rattanakiri.
- 13 Representatives of the People's Revolutionary Forces of Kampuchea, including Mr. CHAN SY, Mr. KHAING SARIN, Mr. TEA BAN, Mr. LIM NAY ...

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- 3 Representatives of industry and handicrafts
- 4 Representatives of agriculture and fisheries
- 7 Representatives of finance, banks and trade
- 10 Representatives of the Association de la Jeunesse pour le Salut du Kampuchea.

Ninety-six men and 21 women were elected and 17 of those elected belong to national minorities.

Phnom Penh, 24 May 1981
