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Letter dated 19 June 1981 from the Permanent Representative
of Democratic Kampuchea to the United Nations addressed to
the Secretary-General

I have the honour to send you herewith, for your information, the text of the statement made on 15 June 1981 by the spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Democratic Kampuchea.

I should be grateful if you would have this text circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 22 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) THIOUNN Prasith
Ambassador
Permanent Representative
of Democratic Kampuchea

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ANNEX

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

As they have been driven into a stalemate in Kampuchea in the military, political and diplomatic fields, and condemned by the international public opinion which demands that they totally and unconditionally withdraw their troops from Kampuchea in conformity with the relevant U.N. resolutions, the Hanoi authorities have tried to extricate themselves from this total isolation and feverishly carried out a new trickery by summoning their puppets from Vientiane and the Vietnamese administration installed in Phnom Penh to a so-called "conference" in Phnom Penh on last June 13 and 14.

The so-called "Phnom Penh proposals" which they have referred to has nothing new and deserves no attention at all. It is nothing but a gross manoeuvre in an attempt to divert the ASEAN countries and other countries from the International Conference on Kampuchea scheduled for next July, and to legalize the Vietnamese administration installed in Phnom Penh.

The Government of Democratic Kampuchea strongly rejects and condemns this new trickery of the Hanoi authorities.

The maintaining of peace, security and stability in South-East Asia only depends on the good will of the Hanoi authorities, on their disposition to implement or not the U.N. resolution 35/6, to participate or not in the International Conference on Kampuchea to be held on next July 13 in New York to set a specific time-frame for the withdrawal of all Vietnamese troops from Kampuchea so as to restore to the Kampuchean people their right to choose their own Government through general and free elections by direct and secret ballot under the supervision of the U.N. Secretary-General.

But the facts show that the Hanoi authorities have no desire for peace. At present, they are massing their troops at Poipet near the Kampuchea-Thailand border with a view to invading Thailand once again. At the same time, they are carrying out mopping up and massacre operations against the civilian population of Kampuchea in the regions of Thmar Puok and Svay Chek (Battambang) as well as in other regions, particularly on National Highway No 6, at Choam Ksan and Koh Kong. But these operations have been checked by the people, the National Army and guerrillas of Democratic Kampuchea.

The Government of Democratic Kampuchea wishes to express on this occasion its deep thanks to the ASEAN countries and other peace- and justice-loving countries which have quite been aware of and have denounced this new manoeuvre of the Hanoi authorities. As far as they are concerned, the people and the Government of Democratic Kampuchea are determined to carry on their just struggle until the withdrawal of all Vietnamese aggressive troops from Kampuchea so as to build up an independent, united, neutral and non-aligned Kampuchea, answerable for lasting peace, security and stability in South-East Asia, Asia, the Pacific and the world.

Democratic Kampuchea,
June 15, 1981
