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Letter dated 14 January 1982 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of
the Permanent Mission of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to
the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour, at the request of His Excellency Mr. Hun Sen, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Kampuchea, to transmit to you herewith the text of a statement made on 2 January 1982 by the spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Kampuchea.

I should be grateful if you would circulate the text of this letter, together with the enclosure, as an official document of the General Assembly, under the items entitled "The situation in Kampuchea" and "Question of peace, stability and co-operation in South-East Asia", and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Statement by the spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
of the People's Republic of Kampuchea

On 28 December 1981, at approximately 1700 hours, three ships belonging to the Thai Navy deliberately entered the territorial waters of the People's Republic of Kampuchea, penetrating 15 kilometres into Kohkong Province, and fired at a Kampuchean boat from the regular patrol. The patrol boat was sunk by the Thai assailants, who forcibly took back with them to Thailand five members of the crew and the boat.

The Government of the People's Republic of Kampuchea strongly condemns this premeditated act of aggression by the Thai Navy and demands that the Thai Government release forthwith the members of the crew and the boat and that it put an end once and for all to the daily violations and acts of aggression committed by its armed forces against the People's Republic of Kampuchea.

Phnom Penh, 2 January 1982
