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Letter dated 16 August 1982 from the Permanent Representative of
Thailand to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Further to my letter of 30 April 1982 (A/37/216-S/15035), I have the honour to bring to your attention, upon the instructions of my Government, the following incidents of violation of Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity by Vietnamese forces from Kampuchea during May-June 1982:

1. Vietnamese forces crossed into Thailand from the Kampuchean side of the border more than 30 times, and only retreated, in many cases, after having clashed with Thai forces assigned to defend Thailand's territorial integrity and its people from foreign armed intruders.

2. In 20 incidents, several hundreds of artillery shells fired by Vietnamese forces from inside Kampuchea landed inside Thai territory, resulting in losses of life and property of Thai civilians along the Thai-Kampuchean border.

3. On three occasions, Vietnamese aircraft from Kampuchea violated Thai air space in the vicinity of Chantaburi Province, Ubon Rajatani Province and Trad Province. In the case of the Ubon Rajatani incident, one Vietnamese helicopter from Kampuchea landed in Na Chaluay District to deliver supplies to communist saboteurs.

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4. Armed Vietnamese fishing trawlers violated Thai territorial waters more than three times. In one such incident, armed Vietnamese trawlers captured three Thai fishing boats and took them to Kampuchea. Subsequently, the crew members were allowed to return to Thailand but the boats were confiscated.

These incidents constitute further evidence of blatant and premeditated violations of Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity despite the repeated Vietnamese statements that Thailand's border would be respected. The Royal Thai Government also views these incidents as being part of the attempt to drag Thailand into the armed conflict which, as it has reiterated on many occasions, Thailand is not a party to and in which it does not wish to become involved. The Royal Thai Government strongly condemns these unprovoked and deliberate acts of hostility committed by the Vietnamese occupation force in Kampuchea and reaffirms its legitimate right to undertake all measures necessary to safeguard Thai sovereignty and territorial integrity.

I have the honour to request that this letter be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 20 and 35 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

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