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Letter dated 5 October 1982 from the Permanent Representative of  
Thailand to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Further to my letter dated 7 September 1982 (A/37/429-S/15388) and upon the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to bring to your attention the latest incidents in blatant violation of Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity committed by Vietnamese occupation forces in Kampuchea during the first half of September 1982 as follows:

1. On 1 September 1982, at 5.30 p.m., Vietnamese forces fired 122-mm rockets into Thai territory at Ban Mai, Aranyaprathet District, Prachinburi Province.
2. On 6 September 1982, at 3.00 p.m., thirty 107-mm rockets fired by Vietnamese forces landed in Thai territory at Ban Mai Pak Hong, Aranyaprathet District, Prachinburi Province.
3. On 7 September 1982, at 10.00 a.m., Vietnamese forces fired 107-mm rockets from Thamophuak District, Battambang Province in Kampuchea to the area west of the 32nd border post, Ta Phraya District, Prachinburi Province.
4. On 7 September 1982, at 11.00 a.m. Vietnamese forces again fired 107-mm rockets from Thamophuak District, Battambang Province in Kampuchea to the area south of Ban Sa-Ngae, Ta Phraya District, Prachinburi Province.
5. On 10 September 1982, at 4.00 p.m., 107-mm rockets fired from Vietnamese forces landed in Thai territory in the area west of the 32nd border post, Ta Phraya District, Prachinburi Province.

6. On 11 September 1982, at 8.00 a.m., more than 30 Vietnamese soldiers crossed into Thai territory, through Plod Tang Pass, at Ban Bu, Kab Choeng District, Surin Province and were headed towards Ban Ta Kow, Kab Choeng District, Surin Province, before they were repulsed by Thai authorities.

7. On 11 September 1982, at 5.35 p.m., about five artillery shells fired by Vietnamese forces landed in Thai territory at Ban Kok Tahan, in the vicinity of a Thai military camp at Ta Phraya District, Prachinburi Province.

8. On 12 September 1982, at 3.15 p.m., more than 20 105-mm artillery shells fired by Vietnamese forces landed in Thai territory at Kab Choeng District, Surin Province, opposite to Kampuchea's Chong Chom.

These incidents have demonstrated yet again that Thailand's eastern border area is far from safe and secure for the Thai citizens living there. The root cause of the lack of safety and security is the ongoing conflict in Kampuchea, resulting from the continued occupation of that country by 200,000 Vietnamese troops in blatant violation of the United Nations Charter and international law, and in callous opposition to world opinion.

The Royal Thai Government demands that the Vietnamese authorities in Kampuchea cease these deliberate acts of violation of Thai sovereignty and territorial integrity forthwith. Furthermore, Thailand hereby reaffirms her legitimate right to employ all necessary measures in order to defend herself and to safeguard her own sovereignty and territorial integrity. Thailand also renews her call, supported by the United Nations, that all Vietnamese troops be completely withdrawn from Kampuchea so that the Kampucheans will be enabled to exercise their right to self-determination free from coercion and outside interference.

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

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