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Letter dated 7 May 1979 from the Permanent Representative of
Democratic Kampuchea to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, for your information, a commentary by La Voix du Kampuchea démocratique (The Voice of Democratic Kampuchea) entitled "Why are the Vietnamese and the Soviets making such efforts to boost the puppet régime in Phnom Penh?".

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this text to be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 46 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Commentary by La Voix du Kampuchea démocratique entitled
"Why are the Vietnamese and the Soviets making such
efforts to boost the puppet régime in Phnom Penh?"

Ever since the puppet régime of the Vietnamese was installed in Phnom Penh by the force of Soviet-Vietnamese guns, tanks and aircraft and more than 100,000 men of the Vietnamese army of aggression, the Vietnamese and their Soviet masters have waged a loud propaganda campaign in its favour throughout the world. They have used every kind of deceit and falsehood to mislead world public opinion. They have used every kind of enticement and exerted every kind of pressure to force countries throughout the world to recognize the lackeys of the Vietnamese in Phnom Penh. But so far, apart from the Soviet Union, Viet Nam and a small handful of Soviet satellites, no country has recognized the Vietnamese lackeys in Phnom Penh. It is for this reason that the Vietnamese and the Soviets are doing their utmost to make even more noise to boost their puppet régime in Phnom Penh.

1. The Vietnamese and the Soviets have sent fresh reinforcements to Kampuchea to intensify their war of aggression, their repression and their barbarous massacre of the innocent population of Kampuchea. Following which, they claim that it is a "great victory" for their puppet régime in Phnom Penh. However, everyone knows that it represents a further escalation of the war of aggression by the Vietnamese and the Soviets in Kampuchea.

2. The Vietnamese and the Soviets claim that their lackeys in Phnom Penh are in full control of Kampuchea. But the questions everyone asks them are these: How is it then that the guerrilla war of the people of Kampuchea is continuing to develop ever more powerfully throughout the country and that actions to annihilate the Vietnamese enemy aggressor are multiplying and intensifying everywhere? How is it that the Vietnamese and the Soviets are carrying out all diplomatic activities instead of their puppet régime in Phnom Penh? Why are the Vietnamese making such efforts to invite foreigners, including journalists, to visit Kampuchea, which is not their country? Why are the Vietnamese managing all administrative and political affairs instead of the puppets in Phnom Penh? Why are the Vietnamese and the Soviets making such a stir at international conferences on behalf of their puppet régime in Phnom Penh? To all these questions, the Vietnamese and the Soviets can find no valid answer since the facts have already answered for themselves. The reality is as clear as daylight: the régime of the Vietnamese lackeys in Phnom Penh has no roots in the people of Kampuchea. It is in fact only a small group of marionettes set in place by the Vietnamese which the Soviets are helping to boost. But the marionettes only gesticulate if their strings are pulled. They cannot act by themselves. For that reason the Vietnamese must do everything in their place, both in the field of domestic policy and in that of diplomacy in the international arena.

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Because this puppet régime has no national soul, no personality and no roots in the people and the nation of Kampuchea, the Vietnamese and the Soviets are obliged to boost it throughout the world. In fact, there is no problem of so-called recognition of the puppet régime. There is only the problem of the barbarous invasion and occupation of the territory of Kampuchea by the Vietnamese and the Soviets.

The efforts made by the Vietnamese and the Soviets in their campaign of deception and falsehood and in their enticements and their pressure to gain recognition of their puppet régime in Phnom Penh are designed to camouflage their aggression and their invasion of the territory of Kampuchea and to legalize the permanent occupation of Kampuchea by the Vietnamese. When this first objective has been attained, they will continue their expansion and will extend their war of aggression to Thailand and to all the countries of South-East Asia. By this means, the Soviets will also extend their influence and their power to the whole of Asia, first of all, then to the Pacific region and so on until they have achieved their ambition of world domination.

That is the real reason for the noisy campaign being waged feverishly by the Vietnamese and the Soviets to boost the puppet régime in Phnom Penh. Accordingly, to recognize the lackeys of the Vietnamese in Phnom Penh would be to approve the strategy of aggression and expansion being pursued by the Vietnamese in Kampuchea and in South-East Asia, in the Pacific and throughout the world.
