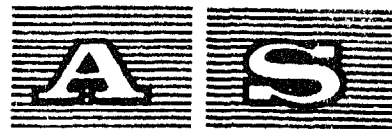


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Letter dated 25 May 1979 from the Permanent Representative of
Democratic Kampuchea to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, for your information, a commentary by La Voix du Kampuchea démocratique entitled "The Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique is an arch-criminal clique".

I shall be grateful if you will circulate this text 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 "The
Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique is an arch-criminal clique"

The Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique has now acquired throughout the world the sinister reputation of being an attacker of neighbouring countries, a Fascist murderer of innocent populations, the Cuba of Asia, a lackey of the Soviet expansionists, falsely revolutionary and falsely non-aligned.

This clique metes out cruel and barbarous treatment not only to neighbouring peoples and countries but also to the Vietnamese people. Since it seized power and gained control of the whole of Viet Nam, the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique has been oppressing and repressing all the people of Viet Nam, regardless of ethnic origin, in an extremely cruel and barbarous manner.

(a) It exploits, pillages, represses, arrests and kills the population by every means (legal, overt, secret or by corruption), causing immense suffering to the Vietnamese people.

(b) It is starving the Vietnamese people, for it takes no account of their living conditions and, what is worse, the Vietnamese administration steals all that the Vietnamese people produce by their labours. Moreover, all the international humanitarian assistance destined for the Vietnamese people is seized by the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique to meet the needs of its war of aggression in Kampuchea. It is for this reason that many members of the starving Vietnamese population die each day.

(c) In order to obtain gold, money and other property from the Vietnamese population, the Vietnamese administration at all levels is organizing the forced exodus of the population, many of whom have died at sea.

(d) In addition, the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique has declared martial law and general mobilization in order to force the Vietnamese population and Vietnamese youth to enlist and come to attack Kampuchea, where many of them die daily.

To sum up, during the four years since the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique seized power throughout Viet Nam, it has killed many members of the population and many Vietnamese young people through its direct repression and its criminal policy. The Vietnamese people find all its crimes revolting; they have risen everywhere to combat the clique in every possible way and are dealing it severe blows. In particular, the Vietnamese people are opposed to the martial law which forces sons and husbands to become aggressive soldiers and to die in Kampuchea for the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique. The Vietnamese people are opposed to the war of aggression against Kampuchea and are clamouring for the immediate return of their sons and husbands.

The Vietnamese soldiers who have come to attack Kampuchea under the martial law decreed by the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique are suffering daily losses as a result of our blows and are exploited, oppressed and despised like animals by their leaders who have come from Hanoi. For example, during the fighting, the latter give the order that no one must retreat, even when faced with deadly obstacles or dangers. Any soldier who dares to retreat is killed immediately. A second example: when a post is on the point of falling into our hands, the Vietnamese leaders do not evacuate with their wounded but kill all of them. A third example: the soldiers using machine-guns and canons, from the 12.7 machine-gun up, are chained to their weapons by their leaders, so that they cannot escape. Furthermore, insults, blows and withholding of rations from soldiers are a current practice in the Vietnamese army of aggression. All these facts anger the Vietnamese soldiers and they are becoming increasingly disgusted with the war of aggression in Kampuchea. They see clearly how miserable the life of a soldier participating in such aggression can be. Moreover, they realize that they are caught in an impasse, for they have come to attack the Kampuchean nation and people, who have taken a position of resolute struggle in defence of their territory and their country, possess a rich store of experience in the people's war and have rid themselves successively of all enemy aggressors. If the Vietnamese continue to act as soldiers participating in aggression and invasion, serving the expansionist policy of the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique and those holding power in Hanoi, they will surely die in Kampuchea. That death will be a miserable one, for they will perish as aggressors. Thus the only way in which they can escape the clutches of the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong criminal gang is to desert, as many Vietnamese officers and soldiers have already done. The Government of Democratic Kampuchea pursues a clearly humanitarian policy with regard to Vietnamese deserters. The Kampuchean people and the Kampuchean revolutionary army punish only the Vietnamese soldiers who have committed crimes and brought ruin and devastation to the Kampuchean nation and people. As regards those who were forced by the Le Duan-Pham Van Dong clique to come to attack Kampuchea and who refuse to obey orders by deserting, the Government of Democratic Kampuchea, the Kampuchean people and the Kampuchean revolutionary army will apply a humanitarian and considerate policy by receiving and helping all of them. If they wish to go and live in other countries, we shall help them to do so.