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Letter dated 1 June 1979 from the Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission 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 pays lip service to peace and wages war".

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 pays lip service to peace and wages war

In recent times the Hanoi leaders have been loudly proclaiming that "Viet Nam is peace-loving and very concerned about peace and stability in the region of South-East Asia".

This is really the height of cynicism and effrontery.

The Hanoi leaders' words immediately aroused laughter in the entire world, especially among the countries and peoples of South-East Asia. They likewise caused deep indignation, because the very same Hanoi leaders sparked off the war which is currently ravaging "Indo-China" and is seriously threatening the peace and stability of South-East Asia. And now they dare to pose as apostles of peace!

How is Viet Nam peace-loving and how is it concerned about the peace and stability of South-East Asia? In order to give a precise reply to these questions, we have only to recall some events in order to illustrate the activities in which Viet Nam has been engaged in recent times and those that it is currently carrying out.

- 1. Since 18 July 1977 Viet Nam has occupied Laos "legally" under the "treaty of friendship and co-operation" which it forced Laos to sign. To date, it has dispatched more than 50,000 troops to be stationed permanently in Laos to control, exploit and repress the Lao people.
- 2. On 25 December 1978 Viet Nam dispatched more than 100,000 troops to attack and invade Kampuchea, thus flouting with extreme arrogance the most basic international laws, the Charter of the United Nations and all the principles of non-alignment. More than 150,000 Vietnamese troops are currently continuing their aggression against and occupation of Kampuchea. They have sown immense devastation and have committed countless crimes against the innocent Kampuchean nation and people, and are continuing to do so. They have sparked off their war of aggression, which is ravaging our entire country and threatens perilously to spread next to Thailand and to other countries of South-East Asia.
- 3. Because of the danger that the war would spread to the whole of South-East Asia, the peoples and countries of this region united to demand the withdrawal from Kampuchea of all the Vietnamese forces which had attacked Kampuchea and the immediate and unconditional cessation of the Vietnamese war of aggression in Kampuchea. However, not only did Viet Nam scorn all their just demands, but it was seized with mad rage and began to hurl insults against the countries of South-East Asia, accusing them of opposing peace. In addition, it threatened them, telling them not to repeat "the

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same errors. It is currently making violent threats against Thailand. It has hurled and is hurling provocation and slander of every kind against Thailand, and it is causing frequent border incidents. Thus Viet Nam has created an extremely tense situation in the whole of South-East Asia - a situation that is ready to explode into a regional war.

These few recent incidents are evidence enough that the words of "peace" uttered by Viet Nam really mean the war of aggression. As for its "concern" about peace and stability in South-East Asia, its true concern is to carry out as soon as possible its plan for aggression and expansion throughout South-East Asia. This is the long-term strategy of Viet Nam.

All this is prompting the world and mankind as a whole, and in particular the countries and peoples throughout South-East Asia, which is situated in the sphere of the expansionist strategy of Viet Nam, to redouble their vigilance regarding the honeyed words of the Hanoi leaders, which in fact cover up poison of the most virulent kind. This is because their past experiences have clearly taught them that every time Viet Nam smiles at or embraces them, it is certain to be hatching some black intrigue against them. When Viet Nam speaks of peace, it means that it is preparing the war of aggression. When Viet Nam proposes a "treaty of friendship and co-cperation" to a country, it means that it is seeking to swallow up the territory of that country and to wipe out the nation. This truth Viet Nam itself has revealed to the world by its successive actions, especially those committed since the barbarous aggression against Democratic Kampuchea. That is why the countries and peoples of South-East Asia are continuing to strengthen even further their solidarity, to fight for the total and unconditional withdrawal from Kampuchea of the Vietnamese troops of aggression and to combat resolutely the Vietnamese regional expansionists and the Soviet international expansionists, who are currently carrying out activities of aggression in South-East Asia, Asia and the Pacific.