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Letter dated 25 July 1988 from the Permanent Representative
of Viet Nam to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of a statement issued on 22 July 1988 by the spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam voicing full support for the 20 July statement of the spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of Kampuchea.

I would be grateful if you could have this letter and its enclosure circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 23, 42, 72, 130 and 137 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) TRINH XUAN LANG
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Statement issued on 22 July 1988 by the spokesman of the
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam

On 20 July 1988 a spokesman of the Foreign Ministry of the People's Republic of Kampuchea issued a statement condemning Thailand's new serious violations of Kampuchea's border areas, especially Pailin and Poipet, and the attacks on and occupation of Hill 310 inside the territory of the People's Republic of Kampuchea by Thai armed forces.

It is noteworthy that since early July 1988 Thai armed forces have fired thousands of mortars and artillery rounds on areas where Vietnamese army volunteers had pulled out. Alongside these above-mentioned acts, the United States and Thailand conducted the joint military exercise code-named "Cobra Gold-88" close to the Thai-Kampuchean border, causing new tension along the common border.

The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam fully supports the 20 July 1988 statement of the spokesman of the Foreign Ministry of the People's Republic of Kampuchea and demands that the Thai authorities respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Kampuchea and put an end to all their hostile acts against the People's Republic of Kampuchea, and that the Thai side respond positively to the proposal of the People's Republic of Kampuchea to build a peaceful and friendly border between Kampuchea and Thailand, thus contributing to the growing trend towards dialogue in the region.
