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Letter dated 17 March 1983 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, the statement dated 15 March 1983 of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea on Nguyen Co Thach's conjuring trick in New Delhi.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the statement circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 23 and 37 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) THIOUNN Prasith
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ANNEX



S T A T E M E N T OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE COALITION GOVERNMENT OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA

ON NGUYEN CO THACH'S CONJURING TRICK IN NEW DELHI

Of late in New Delhi, Vietnamese Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach carried out a new conjuring trick aimed at selling once more the Hanoi authorities' rotten merchandise of "regional conference".

It is nothing new but the same "regional conference" put forward on several occasions by the Vietnamese aggressors but always rejected so far. The Vietnamese aggressors' aim remains unchanged: to escape from the obligation of implementing the UN resolutions on Kampuchea so as to perpetuate their occupation of Kampuchea and carry on their strategy of aggression and expansion.

All peace and justice loving countries the world over have already clearly been aware of the Vietnamese aggressors' conjuring trick and fallacious manoeuvre.

The Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea is convinced that all these countries would reject this fallacious manoeuvre. If the Hanoi authorities wish really to solve the Kampuchean problem, they need only to respect the UN resolutions, which have, for four successive times already, demanded the withdrawal of all Vietnamese troops from Kampuchea, enabling the Kampuchean people to decide themselves their own destiny free from outside interference.

On this occasion, the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea solemnly declares once again that Democratic Kampuchea is a member State of the United Nations, whose credentials have been accepted by an overwhelming majority vote at the General

Assembly for four years already since the Vietnamese aggression.

The Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea is the one and only legal and legitimate Government of Kampuchea. As for the solution of the Kampuchean problem created by the Vietnamese aggression, the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea firmly abides by the UN resolutions demanding that the Hanoi authorities withdraw all their aggression troops from Kampuchea, thus enabling the Kampuchean people to decide themselves their own destiny free from outside interference.

Democratic Kampuchea, 15 March 1983

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea