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FOR REFUGEES

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Letter dated 14 April 1983 from the Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Further to my note dated 1 April 1983 (A/38/134-S/15677), and upon the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to further inform you of the following:

- 1. On 1 April 1983, between 11.00 a.m. and 7.30 p.m., some 500 Vietnamese troops intruded 2 kilometres into Thai territory, at Ta Phraya District, Prachinburi Province, and were pushed back by the Thai Armed Forces. As a result, seven Thai soldiers were wounded.
- 2. On 2 April 1983, at 3.40 p.m., a group of 100 Vietnamese troops intruded into Thai territory through a pass between Phnom Pra and Phnom Chat Mountains, Prachinburi Province, and clashed with the Thai Armed Forces. As a result, five Thai soldiers were killed with seven injured.
- 3. On 3 April 1983, between 6.45 a.m. and 4.00 p.m., the Vietnamese troops fired over 50 artillery shells into Thai territory at Ban Kabchoeng, Ban Takian and Ban Danpatana, Kabchoeng District, Surin Province, causing damage to properties of Thai villagers.
- 4. On 3-4 April 1983, a series of indiscriminate Vietnamese attacks on the Kampuchean civilian population at O'Smach inside Kampuchea forced over 25,000 Kampucheans to take refuge inside Thai territory at Ban Chanuan, Kabchoeng District, Surin Province.

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The Royal Thai Government strongly condemns such unprovoked and blatant acts of aggression by Vietnamese forces against Thai sovereignty and territorial integrity as well as crimes against unarmed and innocent Kampuchean civilians, and, once again, reaffirms its legitimate right to undertake all measures necessary to safeguard the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Thailand and to protect the lives and property of the Thai people.

The Royal Thai Government wishes also to draw Your Excellency's attention to the inhumane genocidal crimes against the innocent Kampuchean people deliberately committed by Vietnamese forces in Kampuchea in blatant violation of the fundamental principles of human rights, international law and the United Nations Charter.

I have the honour to request that the text of this letter be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 23, 37 and 98 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) M. L. Birabhongse KASEMSRI Permanent Representative