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Letter dated 25 July 1983 from the Permanent Representative of Democratic Kampuchea to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith, for your information, the Statement made on 23 July 1983 by the spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea, rejecting as null and void the so-called "treaty" and "agreements" concerning the Viet Nam-Kampuchea frontier.

I should be most grateful if you would have this text circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under item 23 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) THIOUNN Prasith
Ambassador,
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of Democratic Kampuchea

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Annex

STATEMENT BY THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE COALITION GOVERNMENT OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA, REJECTING AS NULL AND VOID THE SO-CALLED "TREATY" AND "AGREEMENTS"

CONCERNING THE VIET NAM-KAMPUCHEA FRONTIER

The Vietnamese aggressors recently trumped up a so-called "treaty on frontier principles and agreements on control of the passage of persons, goods and animals at the frontier of Kampuchea".

The spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea is authorized to make the following statement:

1. This is a gross manoeuvre by the Hanoi authorities aimed at legalizing their aggression and occupation in Kampuchea and misleading world opinion about the alleged independence and sovereignty of the régime which they have installed at Phnom Penh.

In fact, everyone is perfectly aware that the Hanoi authorities have sent hundreds of thousands of their troops to invade and occupy Kampuchea with a view to seizing the territory of Kampuchea so as to make it part of the Vietnamese territory and exterminating the people of Kampuchea by all possible means.

Everyone also knows that, as part of the policy of annexation, the Hanoi authorities have sent nearly one million Vietnamese settlers to establish permanent residence in Kampuchea by forcibly seizing land, rice paddies, fields and villages belonging to the people of Kampuchea, whom they have subjected to a policy of systematic and particularly barbarous genocide.

2. Through the so-called "treaty" and "agreements", and in a gradual manner, the Vietnamese aggressors are attempting "legally" to encroach on territories, islands and seas of Kampuchea, as they already have done in the past.

In consideration of the above-mentioned facts, the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea categorically rejects and declares to be null and void the so-called "treaty" and "agreements", as well as any "treaties" and "agreements" which the Vietnamese aggressors have concluded or may conclude in future with the régime which they have set up at Phnom Penh.

At the same time, the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea declares to be null and void any "treaties" or "agreement" which the Vietnamese régime installed at Phnom Penh has concluded in the past or may conclude in the future with any country or organization.

Democratic Kampuchea, 23 July 1983

Spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea