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LEFTER DATED 18 FEBRUARY 1970 FROM THE DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CAMBODIA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government and further to my letter No. 79^4 of 10 February 1970 (S/9645), I have the honour to bring the following to your attention for the information of members of the Security Council:

On 13 Mecember 1969, aircraft of the United States - South Viet-Namese forces violated Cambodian air space and scattered chemical products over a frontier zone belonging to the commune of Tuk Thleak, district of Pichrada, in the province of Mondulkiri.

These products, which have toxic and allergic effects, caused the defoliation of trees and the death of a boy aged nine, son of one CEREK KEV, an inhabitant of that place.

The Royal Government of Cambodia has filed an energetic protest against the renewal of these scatterings of toxic chemical products committed by the United States - South Viet-Namese forces. It has called upon the Government of the United States of America to take immediate measures to indemnify the family of the victim, make reparation for the damage caused and put an end once and for all to this spreading of American defoliants over plantations of hevea, forest plants and other crops in the province of Kompong Cham.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this communication circulated as a Security Council document.

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) OR KOSALAK
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Acting Chargé d'Affaires