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LETTER DATED 14 FEBRUARY 1968 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF  
CAMBODIA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government and further to my letter No. 689 of  
8 February 1968, I have the honour to communicate to you, for the information of  
the members of the Security Council, the following:

On 2 February 1968:

At about 6.45 a.m., an L.19 observation aircraft of the United States-  
South Viet-Nameese armed forces violated Cambodian air space and fired rockets at  
civilians working in their rice fields at a place situated about 500 metres within  
Khmer territory, in the Srok of Preah Bat Chean Chum, province of Takéo. These  
forces also fired 105 mm cannon at the same place.

Four rocket shells and three 105 mm cannon shells were retrieved.

At about 7.30 p.m., United States-South Viet-Nameese armed forces from  
Tinh Bien (South Viet-Nam) fired 105 mm cannon in the direction of Cambodia. Four  
shells fell in the village of Phnom-Den, Srok of Preah Bat Chean Chum, province  
of Takéo.

This deliberate attack caused, on the Khmer side:

one killed and five wounded, three seriously, among the peaceful Khmer  
villagers;

five oxen wounded;

four houses damaged.

The International Control Commission, the military and press attachés, and  
reporters from the national and foreign Press, who were invited by the Royal  
Government to visit the scene of the attack, were able to verify with their own  
eyes the facts mentioned above.

The Royal Government has lodged a most vigorous protest against this  
barbarous attack, deliberately perpetrated by the United States-South Viet-Nameese  
armed forces, and has demanded that the Governments of the United States of America  
and the Republic of Viet-Nam should put an end to such attacks without delay.

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

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) HUOT SAMBATH  
Permanent Representative of Cambodia

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