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LETTER DATED 9 DECEMBER 1969 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. 9155 of 1 December 1969 (S/9516), I have the honour to bring the following matters to your attention for the information of the members of the Security Council:

On 15 October 1969, at about 10 a.m., approximately twenty Thai brigands secretly entered Cambodian territory, in the region of Dey Kraham, to a depth of approximately 1,000 metres from the frontier in the commune of Svay Chek, district of Sisophon, province of Battambang. They opened fire on the local inhabitants. who were working in the woods, wounding an eleven-year-old boy named Phum Sokhom.

On 31 October 1969, at about 11 a.m., a buffalo cart belonging to the inhabitants of Yeang Dangkum, district of Sisophon, province of Battambang, ran over a mine laid by elements from Thailand at a point approximately three kilometres north of the village of Preay and four kilometres inside the frontier. The explosion of the mine resulted in the following losses:

- 2. persons killed instantly,
- 1 buffalo killed,
- 1 cart damaged.

The Royal Government of Cambodia has lodged a vigorous and indignant protest against these deliberate violations of Cambodian territory, followed by criminal attacks on peaceful Cambodian inhabitants and the laying of mines, by Thai miscreants. It has called upon the Thai Government to take appropriate steps to prevent any repetition of such acts, to compensate the victims and to make good the damage suffered by the Cambodian inhabitants.

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

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) HUOT SAMBATH Permanent Representative of Cambodia