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LETTER DATED 27 MAY 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. 4109 of 26 May 1969, I have the honour to communicate the following to you for the information of the members of the Security Council:

On 23 April 1969, at about 8.30 a.m., elements of the United States - South Viet-Namese forces from the post at Tan Thanh directed artillery fire at Cambodian territory. Five shells fell in the Svay-A-Ngong area, district of Kompong Trabèk, province of Prey Véng.

On the same day, at about 10 a.m., a group of United States - South Viet-Namese soldiers entered the village of Rong, district of Kompong Trabèk, province of Prey Véng. The soldiers carried off to South Viet-Nam three buffaloes belonging to the local inhabitants.

Later that day, at about 11 a.m., elements of the United States - South Viet-Namese forces from the post at Cai Vang directed artillery fire at Khmer territory. Ten shells fell in the Svay-A-Ngong area.

On 24 April 1969, from 1.45 to 6.30 a.m., elements of the United States -South Viet-Namese forces from the post at Cai Vang directed artillery fire at Cambodian territory. A number of shells fell in the Svay-A-Ngong area, district of Kompong Trabèk, province of Prey Véng. The shells seriously wounded two Cambodians, Neang Sok Kan, aged sixteen, and Sok Uth, aged nine, and slightly wounded Neang Sek Sim, aged forty-six.

On 25 April 1969, at about 7.30 p.m., United States - South Viet-Namese soldiers from the same post again directed artillery fire at Khmer territory. A number of shells fell in the same area, Svay-A-Ngong, and in the village of Cham, commune of Cheang Dek, district of Kompong Trabèk, province of Prey Véng.

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The shells caused the death of two persons, Uk Din and his son Uk Kong, aged seven; seriously wounded a woman, Neang Khlork Ang; killed three oxen and wounded three oxen.

The Royal Government of Cambodia has filed a vigorous protest against this violation of Khmer territory and this hostile fire by elements of the United States - South Viet-Namese forces. It has called upon the Governments of the United States of America and the Republic of Viet-Nam to take appropriate measures to prevent a recurrence of such hostile acts and to indemnify the victims.

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

Accept, Sir, etc.

(<u>Signed</u>) HUOT SAMBATH Permanent Representative of Cambodia