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LETTER DATED 29 APRIL 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. 3356 of 29 April 1969, I have the honour to communicate the following to you for the information of the members of the Security Council:

On 5 April 1969, at about 11.30 a.m., elements of the United States - South Viet-Nameese Forces, estimated to be at battalion strength and supported by some fifteen M.113 armoured cars and some ten helicopters, entered Khmer territory as far as the villages of Kruos, Tanou and Chreas-Russey, in the commune of Chambak, district and province of Svay Rieng. They fired with automatic weapons on the Royal Police post at Krassaing Chrum. The Khmer provincial guards, who were fewer in number and who had less equipment, were obliged to withdraw temporarily and the intruders were able to enter the post and take away arms and ammunition.

On 6 April 1969, at about 8 a.m., elements of the same forces again fired deliberately at the Cambodian villages of Tanou and Chreas-Russey mentioned above.

The loss and damage incurred in these two attacks is very high, namely:

- two inhabitants killed, one of whom was a woman;
- four others injured, including two children;
- two head of cattle injured;
- five houses set on fire;
- one anti-tank gun, with 150 rounds of ammunition;
- one M.17 gun;
- 1,340 rounds of ammunition;
- three boxes of anti-tank cartridge clips;
- thirty-two 60 mm. mortar shells.

These arms and ammunition were carried off by the aggressors.

The Royal Government of Cambodia has filed an indignant protest at these deliberate acts of aggression against the Cambodian police post and villages, which were followed by acts of banditry committed by the United States - South Vietnamese forces. It has called upon the Governments of the United States of America and the Republic of Viet-Nam to take immediate steps to seek out and punish the guilty persons, to return the arms and ammunition, to indemnify the victims and to put an end to hostile acts of this nature.

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
