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LETTER DATED 12 FEBRUARY 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. 1099 of
4 February 1969 (S/8992), I have the honour to communicate to you, for the
information of the members of the Security Council, the following:

On 19 January 1969, at about 3 p.m., members of the United States - South
Viet-Nameese forces at Loc Ninh entered Cambodian territory and arrested and took
by force into South Viet-Nam eight Cambodian inhabitants who were collecting resin
in a wood situated in Khmer territory, in the area bordering on South Viet-Nam.

The eight Cambodians, all inhabitants of the village of Trapeang-Srê, commune
of Snoul (Kratie), are the following: Khuon-Hoeun, Hoeuk-Prock, Ngak-Him,
Mauv-Loeub, Moeur-Rin, Sin-Chus, Hok-Moeuk, Sin-Srock.

The Royal Government of Cambodia has protested vigorously against the
violation of Khmer territory and the arrest of eight innocent Cambodians by
members of the United States - South Viet-Nameese forces, and has called upon the
Governments of the United States of America and of the Republic of Viet-Nam to
take appropriate measures to effect the immediate release of the victims and to
prevent a recurrence of such hostile acts.

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