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CAMBODIA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government and further to my letter No. 7412 of 2 October 1968 (S/8840), I have the honour to bring the following to your attention, for the information of the members of the Security Council:

On 2 August 1968, at about 6.30 a.m., a patrol of United States-South Viet-
Nameese troops from Trapeang Robang (Tay Ninh) post fired several bursts with
automatic weapons at a Cambodian village situated in the commune of Thmar
Thnong, district of Rounduol, province of Svay Rieng, about 800 metres from
the frontier. A Cambodian woman was seriously wounded.

On 3 August 1968, at about 5.45 a.m. and 7.25 a.m., the Viet-Nameese post
of Dong Duc (Chaudoc) fired several bursts with automatic weapons at the Khmer
Provincial Guard post of Bac-Nam, in the commune of Prek Tonlea, district of Koh
Thom, province of Kandal. The walls and roof of the Khmer post were seriously
damaged and a Cambodian woman named CHAP YA was wounded.

The same day, at about 5 p.m., United States-South Viet-Nameese troops from
Kaun Trom post fired several bursts with automatic weapons at two members of
the Cambodian militia who were patrolling the village of Kauk Sambor, commune of
Russey Strok, district of Kompong Trach, province of Kampot. Fortunately, the
shots did not hit the militiamen but wounded a buffalo belonging to an inhabitant
of the village.

The same day, at about 6 p.m., a party of United States-South Viet-Nameese
soldiers from Kaun Trom (Kie Giang) post entered the Cambodian village of Koh
Sambaur, situated 300 metres from the frontier in the commune of Russey Srok,
district of Kompong Trach, province of Kampot. The soldiers fired several bursts
with automatic weapons. Fortunately no one was hit, but a cow-buffalo belonging
to an inhabitant named LOK LOEK was wounded.

On 4 August 1968, at about 12.40 p.m., the United States-South Viet-Nameese artillery of Ben Xoi (Tay Ninh) post opened fire on Cambodian territory. Sixteen shells fell 300 metres from the frontier in the commune of Ampil, district of Romeas Hek, province of Svay Rieng, seriously wounding four inhabitants named: PUTH HOL, LONG ROEUN, PAUNH SIM and SO SAVON, aged sixteen years, thirty-three years, twenty-eight years and three years respectively

On 8 August 1968, at about 11 p.m., approximately ten United States-South Viet-Nameese soldiers penetrated some 5,000 metres into Cambodian territory in the village of Svay Andaung, commune of Koh Sampeou, district of Peam Chor, province of Prey Veng, and made off with five buffaloes belonging to the inhabitants of the village. These soldiers were pursued by Cambodian defence forces and withdrew to South Viet-Nam, firing at their pursuers, who were able to recapture three buffaloes.

On 9 August 1968, at about 6.15 a.m., a patrol of United States-South Viet-Nameese troops from Rung Dau (Hau Ngia) post fired several bursts with automatic weapons at the Cambodian village of Bao Dung, commune of Bavet, district of Svay Teap, province of Svay Rieng, seriously wounding one inhabitant.

On 10 August 1968, at about 10.15 a.m., the United States-South Viet-Nameese artillery of Quec-Ba (Hau Ghia) post began a heavy bombardment of Cambodian territory. About sixty shells fell 1,500 metres from the frontier, in the commune of Prasat, district of Svay Teap, province of Svay Rieng. One soldier and one inhabitant of the commune were seriously wounded.

On 19 August 1968, at about 6 p.m., United States-South Viet-Nameese soldiers from Khan An post, on patrol along the frontier, fired at the inhabitants of the commune of Prek Chrey, district of Koh Thom, province of Kandal. They pulled back shortly afterwards in the face of a strong counter-attack by Cambodian defence forces.

On 21 August 1968, at about 1.30 a.m., the United States-South Viet-Nameese artillery of Vinh Dien post opened fire on Cambodian territory. Three shells fell 300 metres from the Provincial Guard Post at Peam Montea, district of Kompong Trabek, province of Prey Veng. Fortunately, no damage was done.

The same day, at about 12.30 p.m., a United States-South Viet-Nameese aircraft fired several rockets at herds of buffalo grazing near the Khmer-South Viet-Nameese

frontier in the district of Kompong Chamlang, district and province of Svay Rieng, seriously wounding two animals.

On 22 August 1968, at about 4 a.m., approximately twenty United States-South Viet-Nameese soldiers from Ben Hoi (Tay Ninh) post, on patrol along the frontier, fired at Cambodian inhabitants who were working in the fields at a place situated 300 metres from the Kmer-South Viet-Nameese frontier in the commune of Thanar Thnong, district of Rumduol, province of Svay Rieng. None of the people was hit, but two buffaloes were mortally wounded.

On 24 August 1968, at about 1 a.m., the United States-South Viet-Nameese artillery of Cai Vang post opened fire on Cambodian territory. Three shells fell 500 metres inside Cambodian territory in the commune of Peam Montea, district of Kompong Trabèk, province of Prey Veng.

On 25 August 1968, at about 11 a.m., the United States-South Viet-Nameese artillery of the Muong Salinh (Chau-doc) post opened fire on Cambodian territory. Seven shells fell 800 metres from the frontier in the commune of Koh Kok, district of Peam Chor, province of Prey Veng.

The same day, at about 9.15 p.m., the United States-South Viet-Nameese artillery of Cai Vang post opened fire on Cambodian territory. Two shells fell 500 metres inside Cambodian territory in the commune of Peam Montea, district of Kompong Trabèk, province of Prey Veng.

On 26 August 1968, at about 12 midnight, the United States-South Viet-Nameese artillery at Cai Vang opened fire on Cambodian territory. Five shells fell about 200 metres from the frontier in the commune of Peam Montea, district of Kompong Trabèk, province of Prey Veng.

On 27 August 1968, at about 6.30 a.m., the United States-South Viet-Nameese artillery of Kaun Trom post opened fire on Cambodian territory. Two shells fell 300 metres from the frontier in the village of Koh Chanlos, commune of Russey Srok, district of Kompong Trach, province of Kampot.

The same day, at about 3.30 p.m., two inhabitants of the commune of Bavet, district of Svay Teap, province of Svay Rieng, named KVAN TOUCH and PRENG CHEE, were seriously wounded by the explosion of a rocket fired by a United States-South Viet-Nameese aircraft.

On 6 September 1968, at about 4.30 p.m., five United States-South Viet-Nameese helicopters and three United States-South Viet-Nameese L-19 aircraft /...

machine-gunned the area of Wat Daung, district of Romeas Hèk, province of Svay Rieng, approximately 500 metres inside Cambodian territory. Three of the helicopters then landed at the same place for about fifteen minutes and abducted a ten-year old child named MEAS MOEUN.

During the night of 8 to 9 September 1968, at about 11 p.m., the United States-South Viet-Nameese artillery of Cai Muong post bombarded the Cambodian Provincial Guard Post at Koh Sko, situated in the commune of Koh Sampeou, district of Preah Sdach, province of Prey Veng. According to the preliminary information received, several shells fell near the post and one 81 mm shell made a direct hit on it, seriously wounding a woman and three children, aged 30 years, 8 years, 4 years and 1 year respectively. The one-year old child died on the way to hospital.

The Royal Government of Cambodia has strongly protested against these further acts of aggression committed by the United States-South Viet-Nameese forces against Cambodia. It has demanded that the Governments of the United States of America and the Republic of Viet-Nam should put an end to such acts immediately, and pay compensation to the victims.

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

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) HUOT SAMBATH
Permanent Representative of Cambodia
