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LETTER DATED 2 NOVEMBER 1967 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CAMBODIA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On the instructions of my Government, and following my letter No. 6080 of 18 October 1967, I have the honour to communicate to you, for the information of members of the Security Council, the following facts:

On 21 October 1967, at about 1.30 p.m., a type L-19 aircraft of the United States-South Viet-Namese armed forces violated Cambodian air space and fired rockets at a spot situated at a distance of about 100 metres within the frontier in the Khum of Koh Rokar, Srok of Peamchor, province of Prey Veng.

This brutal attack caused the following casualties among a group of peaceful farmers who were taking their lunch in the shade of some trees after a morning's labour in the fields:

Dead: two, as follows -

Ham-Cheap, 22 years old, resident of Prek Sambour

Hem-Lok, 66 years old, resident of Prek Ksay

Wounded: four, as follows -

Uy-Chhom, 42 years old

Nach-Kry, 53 years old

Loch-Thuch, 42 years old

Hang-Chrin, 19 years old.

The first three of the above are residents of Prek Sambour, the last a resident of Koh Rokar.

The International Commission for Supervision and Control in Cambodia was requested by the Royal Government to proceed to the scene of this attack on 23 October 1967 and was able to verify the facts for itself.

The Royal Government of Cambodia has lodged a most emphatic protest against this new violation of Cambodian air space by an aircraft of the United States-South-Viet-Namese armed forces, followed by savage attacks against the peaceful

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Khmer farmers of the frontier zone, and has demanded that the Governments of the United States and the Republic of South Viet-Nam should put a stop to them without delay.

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

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) HOUT SAMBATH
Permanent Representative of Cambodia