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LETTER DATED 19 JULY 1967 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CAMBODIA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On the instructions of my Government, and further to my letter No. 4079 of 21 June 1967, I have the honour to report the following, for the information of the Security Council.

On 15 June 1967, at about 9 p.m., Thai armed forces from the post of Hat Lek fired several machine-gun rounds and several flares at our post of Chhne Khsach.

At about 9.30 p.m., four Thai warships violated our territorial waters by anchoring about 800 metres from the above-mentioned Khmer post. They fired four flares and about 100 mortar shells. Our troops responded with fire from small arms and a 60 mortar. The enemy did not stop firing until about 11.40 p.m.

At about 4 a.m., the enemy ships withdrew towards Koh Kuth.

On 16 June 1967, at about 9 a.m., the same ships, reinforced by a fifth, took up positions at the same spot; at about 10.10 a.m., two of them departed in the direction of Koh Kuth and Klang Yai. At about 7.45 p.m., the enemy fired cannon shots at our post.

At about 8.45 p.m., the enemy ships regrouped, anchoring in a line in front of our post at Chhne Khsach.

On 17 June 1967, at about 1 a.m., the five ships left Hat Lek to sail to Koh Kuth and Klang Yai.

At about 7.45 p.m., forty-two Thai fishing boats, escorted by three warships, came to fish in our territorial waters near the Chhne Khsach post. These naval forces fired two flares and them machine-gunned our troops.

The Royal Government of Cambodia has protested most strongly against these new acts of armed aggression and deliberate violations of our territory, and has demanded that the Royal Government of Thailand put an end without delay to these criminal acts of armed provocation on Khmer territory.

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I should be grateful if you would arrange for this letter to be circulated as a Security Council document.

Accept, Sir, etc.

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

