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LETTER DATED 11 OCTOBER 1967 FROM THE ACTING PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
OF THAILAND ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to refer to the letter addressed to the President of the Security Council by the Cambodian representative on 8 August 1967 in which more groundless accusations were directed against Thailand by the present régime in Phnom-Penh.

On the instructions of my Government, I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that the Thai Government categorically rejects the Cambodian charges as total fabrications which are designed to cover up Cambodia's complicity with the communist aggressors. There is indeed corroborated evidence that Cambodia itself has established direct contact with a communist subversive organization inimical to the Thai Government and people - the so-called "Thai Patriotic Front" based in Communist China. The official bulletin "Agence Khmère de Presse" of 17 August 1967, page 1-C, published a report on the statement publicly made by Prince Sihanouk at Samlaut on 15 August 1967, as follows:

"Samdech Sahachivin concluded his statement by informing his audience that his Highness Prince Norodom Phurisara, our Minister of Foreign Affairs on mission to China, had been instructed by the Head of State to contact the Thai Patriotic Front in Peking.

On my instructions, Prince Phurisara contacted those responsible for our present frontiers but his Thai interlocutors replied that they could not commit themselves to recognizing those frontiers but that, in order to please us, they could 'insult' Bangkok and Kittikachorn more...."

This report serves to confirm Cambodia's customary tactic of duplicity in attempting to mislead uninformed world public opinion. It also explains why Thailand has been subjected to a series of false charges and provocations emanating from Cambodia, as illustrated by the letters to the President of the Security Council from the Cambodian representative, dated 22 May, 25 July, 19 and 21 August, 11 and 19 September 1967 respectively.

I should be obliged, therefore, if you would have the text of this communication circulated as a document of the Security Council.

Accept, etc.

(Signed) Anand PANYARACHUN  
Ambassador  
Acting Permanent Representative  
to the United Nations

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