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LETTER DATED 30 JANUARY 1967 FROM THE DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CAMBODIA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government and further to my letter No. 393 of 19 January 1967, I have the honour to bring to your attention, for the information of the members of the Security Council, the following:

On the night of 8/9 November 1966, at about 4 a.m., elements of the United States - South Viet-Namese armed forces from Kinh Thi Banh, operating in the Bassac on board two motorized sampans, fired several bursts of shots at peaceful Khmer peasants of the frontier region of Tuk Vil, Sangkat of Prek Chrey, Srok of Koh Thom, Province of Kandal.

The Cambodian frontier defence forces returned the fire vigorously, forcing the enemy to cease his aggressive action.

On 4 January 1967, at about 6 p.m., United States - South Viet-Namese armed forces from the post at Kinh Thai Bang deliberately opened artillery fire on Cambodian territory. Several shells fell in the village of Veang Keo, Sangkat of Sampeou Puon, Srok of Koh Thom, Province of Kandal, killing outright a Cambodian woman of forty-five years of age named Ngin Ny and seriously injuring another sixty-year-old woman named Lorn Bun, both inhabitants of the village in question.

The Royal Government has lodged a vigorous and indignant protest against these acts of provocation perpetrated deliberately by the United States - South Viet-Namese forces against peaceful Khmer peasants and has called upon the Governments of the United States of America and the Republic of Viet-Nam to take the necessary steps to put an end to such acts immediately.

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

Accept, Sir, etc.

(Signed) OR KOSALAK
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