



General Assembly Security Council

Distr.  
GENERAL

A/40/89  
S/16899

17 January 1985

ENGLISH

ORIGINAL: FRENCH

---

GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
Fortieth session  
THE SITUATION IN KAMPUCHEA  
REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL  
OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH  
COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES

SECURITY COUNCIL  
Fortieth year

Letter dated 15 January 1985 from the Permanent Representative  
of Democratic Kampuchea to the United Nations addressed to  
the Secretary-General

I have the honour to request you to circulate the annexed telegram, dated 12 January 1985, addressed to you by His Royal Highness Prince Norodom Sihanouk, President of Democratic Kampuchea, as an official document of the General Assembly, under the agenda items entitled "The Situation in Kampuchea", "Report of the Economic and Social Council" and "Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees", and of the Security Council.

(Signed) THIOUNN Prasith  
Ambassador,  
Permanent Representative of  
Democratic Kampuchea

ANNEX

Telegram dated 12 January 1985 from the President of Democratic Kampuchea  
addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations

As you have always shown great compassion towards the Cambodian people, I have the honour to request you to prevail upon the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, a Member of the United Nations, to put an end to the frequent attacks which its army has mounted against the Khmer civilian population living in the refugee camps on the border between Kampuchea and Thailand.

The civilian population in question has committed no crime against Viet Nam. The criminal is the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, which is contemptuous of the United Nations, insolently refuses to comply with the just resolutions on Kampuchea adopted by the United Nations, subjugates the Khmer people and country and shamelessly colonizes Kampuchea, a Member of the United Nations. Having been subjected to the extremely deadly attacks of the Vietnamese armed forces, the Khmer refugees had to leave their villages, houses, rice plantations and fields because of the many forms of oppression which the Vietnamese colonialists and their puppets, the Heng Samrin-Hun Sen group, have practised since 1979.

The United Nations is not yet able to help us to solve this grievous problem, for which the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam is entirely responsible. I would, however, request you to do whatever you can to ensure that:

First

The Vietnamese army in Kampuchea stops shedding the blood of and mutilating and killing the Khmer people, and

Secondly

The rich and liberal-minded countries throughout the world see their way to accepting a larger number of the very unfortunate Khmer refugees every year. The Thai Government has already done more for them than was ever imaginable and, besides, must fulfil its duty towards the Thai citizens living close to the border with Kampuchea, whom the Vietnamese aggressors have not shrunk from attacking most cruelly and unjustly.

I thank you for anything that you are able to accomplish in order to make the lot of the Khmer people, who do not deserve all these misfortunes, a little more tolerable, and I request you to accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) NORODOM SIHANOUK  
President of Democratic Kampuchea

-----