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Letter dated 31 January 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On behalf of the ten States members of the European Community, the Presidency of which is currently held by Italy, I have the honour to send you herewith the text of the Declaration on Viet Nam's offensive in Kampuchea and incursions into Thailand, adopted at the meeting on European Political Co-operation held in Rome on 23 January 1985.

T should be grateful if you would have this Declaration circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under the agenda items entitled "The situation in Kampuchea" and "Question of peace, stability and co-operation in South-East Asia", and of the Security Council.

> (Signed) Maurizio BUCCI Ambassador Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Declaration of the ten States members of the European Community on Viet Nam's offensive in Kampuchea and incursions into Thailand, adopted on 23 January 1985

The Ten are following with very great concern, the latest developments in the situation in the border area between Thailand and Cambodia. They comdemn the serious violations of human rights and of the fundamental principles of the United Nations Charter that are occurring as a result of the increasingly intensive attacks made by Vietnamese troops on refugee camps in this area. The Ten also condemn the violations of Thailand's territorial sovereignty committed by Vietnamese troops during the course of their operations.

These developments could lead to an extension of the conflict, which might further aggravate the tensions existing in South-East Asia. In the circumstances, the Ten once again stress the urgent need for a comprehensive political settlement of the Cambodian crisis, which still remains unresolved more than six years after its inception. While confirming the contents of the statement issued by the fifth EEC-ASEAN ministerial meeting, held at Dublin on 15 and 16 November 1984, the Ten make a further appeal to the Vietnamese Government to call a halt to the military activities on the border between Thailand and Cambodia and to seek a political settlement of the crisis in accordance with the relevant United Nations resolutions - adopted by an overwhelming majority of the members of the international community - which call for the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Cambodia and the restoration of the right of the Khmer people to selfdetermination.