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Letter dated 8 March 1985 from the Permanent Representative
of Thailand to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

Upon the instructions of my Government and pursuant to my letter dated 19 February 1985 (A/40/136-S/16965), I have the honour to bring to Your Excellency's attention the latest acts of aggression against Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity committed by the Vietnamese occupying forces in Kampuchea as follows:

1. On 28 February 1985, at 0300 hours, the Vietnamese forces fired artillery shells at the Thai military observation posts on Hill 347 south-east of Ban Kruat District, Buriram Province, about 11 kilometres inside Thailand from the Thai-Kampuchean border. As a result, three Thai soldiers were killed and several others were seriously wounded.
2. On 1 March 1985, at 0700 hours, 14 rounds of artillery shells fired by the Vietnamese forces landed inside Thai territory north-east of Ban Nong Samet, Ta Phraya District, Prachinburi Province, 3.5 kilometres from the Thai-Kampuchean border.
3. On 4 March 1985, at 1015 hours, the Thai troops clashed with the Vietnamese troops inside the Thai territory south-west of Aranyaprathet District, Prachinburi Province, about 200 metres from the Thai-Kampuchean border. As a result, one Thai soldier was seriously wounded.

* A/40/50 and Corr.1.

4. On 5 March 1985, at 0500 hours, two Vietnamese battalions (some 800-1,000 soldiers) moved into Thai territory in Surin Province about 2-3 kilometres from the Thai-Kampuchean border, and launched attacks against the Thai positions on Hills 361, 400 and 424. At the early stage, numerically superior Vietnamese forces were able to occupy parts of Hill 361 and cause 7 Thai soldiers to be killed (2 officers and 5 non-commissioned officers), 34 soldiers wounded and 3 soldiers missing. On 6 March 1985, at 1300 hours, the Thai forces drove the Vietnamese troops away from Hill 361 and inflicted heavy casualties upon the aggressors.

The Royal Thai Government wishes to draw Your Excellency's attention to the recurrence of premeditated, unprovoked and most outrageous acts of Vietnamese violation of Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity. The latest incursion of the Vietnamese forces into Thailand, brutally and indiscriminately killing innocent Thai civilians and soldiers, is yet another blatant violation of international law and the United Nations Charter, and of the fundamental human rights of innocent civilians.

The Royal Thai Government condemns these acts of aggression and indiscriminate killings perpetrated by Viet Nam and demands that the latter cease forthwith its acts of hostility against Thailand.

The Royal Thai Government reaffirms its right to safeguard Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity as well as the lives and property of the Thai people by every means. The Royal Thai Government will not tolerate Viet Nam's acts of aggression, the consequences for which the Vietnamese Government must bear full responsibility.

I have the honour to request that the text of this letter be circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 22 and 40 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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