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OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY
PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES
BETWEEN STATES

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Letter dated 14 February 1990 from the Permanent Representatives
of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Viet Nam to the
United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

We have the honour to enclose herewith the text of the communiqué issued by a conference of the Deputy Foreign Ministers of Cambodia, Laos and Viet Nam held at Phnom Penh on 10 and 11 February 1990 (see annex).

We should appreciate if you would circulate the text of the present letter and its annex as an official document of the General Assembly, under the items entitled "The situation in Kampuchea", "Question of peace, stability and co-operation in South-East Asia", "Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security" and "Peaceful settlement of disputes between States", and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Communiqué issued by a conference of the Deputy Foreign Ministers of Cambodia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Viet Nam held at Phnom Penh on 11 and 12 February 1990

1. At the invitation of the Foreign Ministry of the State of Cambodia, a conference of the Deputy Foreign Ministers of Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia was convened in Phnom Penh on 10 and 11 February 1990 to exchange views on the regional situation and on the upcoming informal meeting on Cambodia in Jakarta.

It was attended by, on the Cambodian side, Sok An, Vice-Foreign Minister; on the Lao side, Soulivong, Vice-Foreign Minister, and on the Vietnamese side, Dinh Nho Liem, first Vice-Foreign Minister.

Ho Nam Hong, Cabinet Minister of the State of Cambodia opened and presided over the conference.

- 2. The conference hailed the great achievements gained by the government and people of the State of Cambodia in their struggle for national defence and construction, thus promoting peace and stability in South-East Asia.
- 3. The conference unanimously acclaimed the total withdrawal of Vietnamese army volunteers from Cambodia 15 months ahead of schedule. This goodwill shown by the State of Cambodia and Viet Nam, recognized by the world public, has helped settle one of the two pivotal things concluded by JIM-1 and JIM-2, that is a decisive factor for an overall political solution to the Cambodian question. The remaining pivotal thing for an overall, fair and reasonable political solution is to prevent the Khmer Rouge from re-establishing the genocidal régime in Cambodia.
- 4. The conference held that Cambodia's internal affairs must be solved by the representatives of the two governments in Cambodia. It also held that the South-East Asian countries have their interest in positively contributing to a political solution to the Cambodian question.
- 5. The conference welcomed efforts and initiatives of all countries aimed at seeking a political solution to the Cambodian issue, especially Australia's initiative which puts aside temporary issues, namely, the abolition of the two governments and setting up of a coalition government comprising all Cambodian parties before the general elections. What is proper is that the upcoming Jakarta Informal Meeting should go straight into the fundamental question, that is the holding of a free, democratic and equitable general election and the establishment of Cambodia's neutrality and a zone of peace, neutrality and co-operation in South-East Asia with the guarantee from the Paris International Conference and the United Nations.
- 6. The conference agreed on an effective United Nations role in holding general elections in Cambodia during the transitional period. During that period,

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Cambodia's United Nations seat should be left vacant. The United Nations activities must be conducted on the basis of a full respect for Cambodia's independence and sovereignty.

- 7. The Lao People's Democratic Republic and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam highly value the goodwill of the State of Cambodia in the search for a political solution for the sake of peace, independence and national reconciliation of the country as well as of peace in South-East Asia.
- 8. The State of Cambodia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam affirmed that they would do their best to make the coming Jakarta Informal Meeting a success so as to meet the interests and earnest aspiration of the Cambodian people and the expectation of a broad section of the world public.
- 9. The Lao and Vietnamese delegations expressed their sincere thanks to the Foreign Ministry of the State of Cambodia for its hospitality, good preparations and organization.