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Letter dated 28 February 1983 from the Permanent Representative
of Democratic Kampuchea to the United Nations addressed to the
Secretary-General

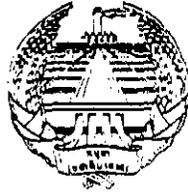
I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, for your information, the statement dated 21 February 1983 by His Royal Highness Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, President of Democratic Kampuchea.

I should be most grateful if you would have this statement distributed as an official document of the General Assembly, under items 23 and 37 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) THIOUNN Prasith
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of
Democratic Kampuchea

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ANNEX



STATEMENT BY SAMDECH NORODOM SIHANOUK
PRESIDENT OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA

1. Not satisfied with having launched, on 31 January 1983, savage, coward and unwarrantable attacks against the Kampuchean civilian refugee camp of Nong Chan, with the most bloody and catastrophic results known to the whole world, the troops of the Vietnamese army of aggression against and occupation of Kampuchea have launched, in the same region, other savage attacks against my refugee compatriots (civilians and unarmed) including old-people, women and children. The most serious recent attack took place during the day-time of 4 February 1983.

The number of Kampuchean civilians, victims of the recent armed attacks by the Vietnamese colonialists, rises up to many killed (including women and children) and hundreds of seriously wounded.

My refugee compatriots in the region of Nong Chan have largely lost, due to these recent raids by the Vietnamese army, their modest belongings, not to mention the houses, schools, hospitals, infirmaries, etc. in the Nong Chan camp.

2. The Vietnamese aggressors have carried their boldness so far as to make use of their artillery to shell Thai villages, wounding or killing Thai citizens, men and women, within Thai territory and causing important damages to their properties.

3. Those Vietnamese aggressors have had no respect for the International Committee of the Red Cross, humanitarian relief agencies (UN and voluntary agencies). The latter have been prevented from fulfilling as usual their noble and generous task in the service of the suffering humanity in the region of Nong Chan.

4. In my capacity as President of Democratic Kampuchea, a member State of the United Nations, I request all the peoples and governments committed to justice, freedom, peace and progress to condemn most severely the Socialist Republic of Vietnam for those above-mentioned crimes, to prevent it by all means from committing again its acts of savage aggression and of genocide in Kampuchea and at the Kampuchea-Thai border,

and to compel it by appropriate measures to abide by and implement the just UN resolutions on Kampuchea, resolutions adopted in October 1982 by the overwhelming majority of the United Nations General Assembly.

5. I request the Heads of State and Heads of Government of the genuinely non-aligned countries to call, on behalf of the most noble principles of our Non-Aligned Movement, for the expulsion of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam from the family of non-aligned countries.

At the present time, it is outrageous to see that, in the conferences of non-aligned countries, Kampuchea who is the victim of aggression, has been excluded, and Vietnam, the aggressor, and its accomplices aligned with the hegemonistic Soviet Union have been welcomed as triumphant nations and allowed to rule the roost.

6. I express my profound and moved gratitude to the Kingdom of Thailand who has done so much for my unfortunate refugee compatriots and, even now, is giving a generous reception to dozens of thousands of Kampuchean civilians, men and women, fleeing the savage attacks of the Vietnamese aggressors, first and foremost the wounded who are now receiving appropriate medical care on Thai soil.

7. I express my profound and moved gratitude to the International Committee of the Red Cross and its representatives, to the United Nations and its representatives, to the private humanitarian relief agencies and their representatives and to the medical teams, for their noble, generous and heroic action in favour of my suffering compatriots.

NORODOM SIHANOUK

21 February 1983
