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DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF GOOD-NEIGHBOURLINESS BETWEEN STATES

Letter dated 9 April 1984 from the Permanent Representative of Viet Nam to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of the statement dated 7 April 1984 by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam on Chinese war acts.

I should be very grateful if Your Excellency could have this document circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under items 37, 68 and 124 of the preliminary list.

(Signed) HOANG BICH SON
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

STATEMENT

by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam on Chinese war acts

From 9:00 to 12:00 hrs on April 6,1984, the Chinese authorities sent a number of infantry battalions to nibble at Vietnamese territory at Heights 820 and 636 in Quoc Khanh village, Trang Dinh district, Lang Son province. The local armed forces and people, always keeping high vigilance, valiantly fought back and repulsed many enemy assaults, and firmly defended the national frontier.

Following the continuous shellings on populated areas and economic establishments in Vietnam's six border provinces since April 2, this extremely brazen act of war, which violated Vietnam's territorial sovereignty, has laid bare the dark aggressive design of the hegemonists and expansionists in the Beijing ruling circles, and piled up their crimes against the Vietnamese people.

These efforts on their part are aimed at bolstering up the spirit of the genocidal Pol Pot clique who are being punished by the Kampuchean army and people and condemned by the world public, and saving the socalled "tripartite coalition government" from being disintegrated.

This constitutes a serious challenge to public opinion in the world and in Southeast Asia which is strongly calling for easing tension and restoring peace and stability in this region of the world.

This criminal act has exposed all the more clearly the true nature of the Beijing authorities who are paying lip service to peace while really increasing their collusion with the U.S. imperialists, intensifying their multifaceted war of sabotage against the three Indochinese countries and running counter to the interests of the Chinese people themselves and of peace and stability in Southeast Asia.

The people and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam strongly condemn and denounce to the world public those criminal schemes and acts of the Chinese authorities and resolutely demand that the Chinese side put an immediate end to those acts.

The Socialist Republic of Vietnam always advocates a peaceful solution to problems in its relations with China, and at the same time, resolutely fights back any aggressive moves to defend its independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity. If the Chinese authorities stubbornly persist in their criminal war moves, they will suffer bitter setbacks. No efforts can save the Pol Pot clique and its accomplices. No pressure can prevent the Vietnamese people from uniting with and supporting the fraternal Kampuchean people in defending and building their reviving nation.

Hanoi, April 7,1984