COALITION GOVERNMENT OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA

THE PRIME MINISTER

Kampuchea, 10 December 1982

Her Excellency
The Rt Hon Margaret THATCHER, M.P.
Prime Minister of the United Kingdom
London

Your Excellency,

As Prime Minister of Democratic Kampuchea, and on behalf of the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea, the duty and the honour befall upon me to express to your Excellency, and to your Government, my profound gratitude and heartfelt appreciation for the vote cast by your Excellency Permanent Representative to the United Nations on October 25, 1982, rejecting the Vietnam-led amendment contesting the credentials of the Representatives of my country.

The overwhelming votes by 90 states, including the vote by your country, rejecting the Vietnam-led amendment cited above represents a great victory of the force of peace, justice and freedom over the invasion and occupation of my country by the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, the instigation of conflict in Kampuchea.

I wish to assure your Excellency, and your Government that the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea whose Headquarters are on the national soil of Kampuchea and whose combatants are valiantly waging a successful guerilla war against the Vietnamese aggressors and occupation troops, is the sole authentic and the legal Khmer Government representating the State of Democratic Kampuchea and the People of Kampuchea.

I wish to further assure your Excellency, and your Government, that the representative nature of the Coalition Government of Democratic Kampuchea is beyond questioning. The participation of Prince Norodom Sihanouk and my own with four decades of dedicated public services to the Kampuchea Nation, undoubtedly demonstrate the genuine representativeness of the Coalition Government.

I have no doubt that with the continued support from your Excellency and your Government, and from other peace and justice-loving Government, the Khmer Nation will once again regain its independence and territorial integrity within its present international-recognized frontiers.

Please accept, your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Prime Minister of Democratic Kampuchea