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Excellency,

I wish to bring to your urgent attention and that of the members of the United Nations Security Council of the recent grave violation of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Kingdom of Thailand as a result of Cambodia's act of aggression and unprovoked armed attacks on Thailand as follows:

1. On 7 December 2025 at 14.15 hours, Cambodian force opened fire on Thai troops from Infantry Battalion 13, who were conducting route maintenance on Thai territory in the Phu Pha Lek - Phlan Hin Paet Kon area, Kantharalak District of Si Saket Province. The attack immediately injured two Thai soldiers. One was wounded in the chest while the other sustained a gunshot injury on the right leg. Cambodian soldiers continued firing at Thai troops until 14.50 hours.

2. On 8 December at 05.05 hours, Cambodian troops launched an unprovoked attack on a Thai military base in the Chong An Ma area of Ubon Ratchathani Province. This was immediately followed by widespread and indiscriminate assaults across Thai territory in the provinces of Buriram, Surin, Si Saket, and Ubon Ratchathani. Later the same afternoon, Cambodian troops again escalated hostilities by firing heavy machine guns at Thai forces stationed at Ban Nong Ya Kaew, Khok Sung District, Sa Kaeo Province. As of 18.00 hours, these aggressions have impacted five Thai provinces, resulting in 1 death and 18 injuries among military personnel, including 3 in critical condition, and forcing over 400,000 residents to flee their homes, 2 of whom died from heart attacks during evacuation.

His Excellency

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Throughout the day, Cambodian forces carried out repeated, disproportionate, and unlawful attacks on Thai territory, deliberately targeting Thai civilians and civilian infrastructure. These operations employed heavy weaponry, including multiple rocket launchers, mortars, and heavy machine guns, and were further reinforced by the continuous mobilization of Cambodian heavy weapons and personnel along the border.

3. Cambodia's afore-mentioned unprovoked and indiscriminate armed attacks on Thai territory across five provinces of Buriram, Surin, Si Sa Ket, Ubon Ratchathani, and Sa Kaeo constituted a clear violation of Article 2(4) of the Charter of the United Nations, the principles of good neighbourliness and peaceful coexistence between States. In response, Thailand is compelled to exercise its inherent right of self-defence pursuant to Article 51 of the Charter of the United Nations to defend its sovereignty and territorial integrity, as well as to protect the safety of the Thai people. The self-defence measures are undertaken in strict compliance with international law, in particular, the principles of necessity and proportionality. These measures are limited in scope, proportionate to the threat, and are directed solely at neutralizing the imminent danger posed by the Cambodian force, with the utmost effort made to avoid harm to civilians and civilian infrastructure.

4. It is regrettable that immediately following the incident, Cambodian officials deliberately disseminated false narratives accusing Thailand of initiating the attack, when in fact it was the Cambodian side that opened fire on Thai troops and Thai territory. This highlights yet another provocation by the Cambodian side. Thailand categorically rejects Cambodia's continued groundless accusations clearly aimed at distorting the facts and undermining Thailand's credibility within the international community.

5. These recent armed attacks by Cambodia reflect a repeated and escalating pattern of hostilities against Thailand. This pattern follows a series of Cambodia's premeditated and provocative acts, including the repeated unlawful emplacement of newly planted PMN-2 landmines in Thai territory, which has caused permanent disability for seven Thai military personnel with the most recent incident being on 10 November 2025. Following on 12 November 2025, Cambodian soldiers intentionally fired against Thai troops within Thailand's sovereign territory. These actions constitute a blatant breach of the shared commitment under the *Joint Declaration by the Prime Minister of Thailand and the Prime Minister of Cambodia on the outcomes of their meeting in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia* signed by leaders of Thailand and Cambodia on 26 October 2025, through the good offices of the Prime Minister of Malaysia, in his capacity as the Chair of ASEAN, and the President of the United States of America.

6. Thailand strongly condemns Cambodia's acts of aggression, indiscriminate armed attacks against civilians, civilian objects, and public facilities, and its apparent intent to harm Thai personnel – well within Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity. Cambodia's irresponsible and continued hostile acts against Thailand only serve to escalate tensions, undermine the shared commitments under the Joint Declaration and agreements reached at the General Border Committee (GBC) and Regional Border Committee (RBC) Meetings, and erode the mutual trust necessary for constructive engagement.

7. In this regard, Thailand demands that Cambodia provide a full explanation, accept full responsibility and put in place measures to prevent any recurrence of such incidents. We call upon the international community to urge Cambodia to cease all acts of hostilities and provocations that inflict harm upon Thai people, destabilize border security, and constitute repeated acts in violation of Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity. Cambodia must fully comply with its obligations under international law and the Charter of the United Nations, and demonstrate good faith and sincerity to restoring peace and stability along Thailand-Cambodia border.

In this connection, I have further the honour to request that this letter be circulated to all members of the Council for their urgent attention as a document of the Council.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.



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