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Note to D.M. by the Permanent Mission
of the Kingdom of Laos to the U.N.
(Note is signed by Khauphan Penya)



No 150/MPL/ON"

MISSION PERMANENTE DU ROYAUME DU LAOS
AUPRES DE
L'ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
225 EAST FORTY-SIX STREET
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

Le 4 Septembre 1959.

La Mission Permanente du Royaume du Laos auprès des Nations Unies présente ses compliments à Monsieur le Secrétaire Général et a l'honneur de lui transmettre la lettre-télégramme qui lui est adressée par Son Excellence le Ministre des Affaires Etrangères du Gouvernement Royal du Laos et dont le texte intégral suit:

"Monsieur le Secrétaire Général,

Depuis le seize juillet dernier des troupes étrangères ont franchi la frontière et ont livré des combats aux garnisons de l'armée royale qui stationnent le long de la frontière nord-est du Laos. Ces garnisons ont dû évacuer plusieurs postes et livrer de nombreux combats pour se défendre. Il est évident que ces agressions n'auraient pas eu lieu si les assaillants n'étaient pas venus de l'extérieur et n'auraient pas persisté si ces mêmes assaillants n'avaient pas reçu de l'extérieur des renforts en personne et du ravitaillement en vivres et en munitions. A la suite de ces attaques des pertes ont été subies par l'armée royale. Le trente août une nouvelle attaque dont la violence dépasse celles enregistrées auparavant avait été déclanchée contre les postes de Muong et de Xieng Kho

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avec la participation d'éléments venant de la République Démocratique du Nord-Vietnam et appuyée par des tirs d'artillerie basée de l'autre côté de la frontière. Devant cette agression caractérisée dont la responsabilité incombe entièrement à la République Démocratique du Nord-Vietnam le Laos sollicite l'assistance de l'Organisation des Nations Unies dont il est membre en s'appuyant sur les articles Un, paragraphe Un, et Onze, paragraphe Deux, de la Charte. En particulier le Gouvernement Royal sollicite l'envoi dans un délai extrêmement bref d'une force d'urgence afin d'arrêter l'agression et d'empêcher qu'elle ne se généralise.

J'ai l'honneur, de vous prier, Monsieur le Secrétaire Général, de bien vouloir faire appliquer à la présente requête la procédure qu'il convient.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur le Secrétaire Général, l'assurance de ma haute considération.

Signée: KHAMPHAN PANYA



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PERMANENT MISSION OF THE KINGDOM OF LAOS
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

225 East 46th Street
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The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Laos to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General and has the honour to transmit to him herewith a cable from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Royal Government of Laos, the text of which is as follows:

"Sir,

Since 16 July 1959 foreign troops have been crossing the frontier and engaging in actions against garrison units of the Royal Army stationed along the north-eastern frontier of Laos. These garrison units have been obliged to evacuate several posts and to engage in many instances in defensive actions. It is obvious that these attacks would not have taken place if the attackers had not come from outside the country, and would not have continued if the attackers had not been receiving reinforcements and supplies of food and munitions from outside. As a result of these attacks losses have been suffered by the Royal Army. On 30 August a fresh attack more violent than the previous ones was launched against the posts of Muong and Xieng Kho. Elements from the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam took part in the attack, which was supported by artillery fire from the other side of the frontier. In/face of this flagrant aggression, for which the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam must bear the entire responsibility, Laos is requesting the assistance of the United Nations, of which it is a Member, and is doing so by virtue of Article 1, paragraph 1, and Article 11, paragraph 2, of the Charter. In particular the Royal Government requests that an emergency force to halt the aggression and to prevent it spreading should be dispatched with greatest possible speed.

I have the honour to request you, Mr. Secretary-General, to apply to this request the appropriate procedure.

I have the honour to be, etc.

(Signed) KHAMPHAN PANYA"

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NOTE OF 4 SEPTEMBER 1959 TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE KINGDOM OF LAOS
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Laos to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General and has the honour to transmit to him a cable addressed to him by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Royal Government of Laos, the complete text of which is as follows:

"Sir,

"Since 16 July 1959, foreign troops have been crossing the frontier and engaging in military action against garrison units of the Royal Army stationed along the northeastern frontier of Laos. These garrison units have been obliged to evacuate several posts and to engage in numerous defensive actions. It is obvious that these attacks would not have taken place if the attackers had not come from outside the country and would not have continued if the attackers had not been receiving reinforcements and supplies of food and munitions from outside. As a result of these attacks, losses have been suffered by the Royal Army. On 30 August a new attack, more violent than the previous ones, was launched against the posts of Muong and Xieng Kho. Elements from the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam took part in the attack, which was supported by artillery fire from the other side of the frontier. In the face of this flagrant aggression, full responsibility for which rests with the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam, Laos requests the assistance of the United Nations, of which it is a Member; it is doing so under Article 1, paragraph 1, and Article 11, paragraph 2, of the Charter. In particular, the Royal Government requests that an emergency force should be dispatched at a very early date in order to halt the aggression and prevent it from spreading.

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"I have the honour, Mr. Secretary-General, to ask you to take the appropriate procedural action on this request.

"I have the honour to be, etc.

(Signed) KHAMPHAN PANYA"

(Provisional translation)

Note No. 2027
4 September 1959

NOTE TO CORRESPONDENTS

The following note, dated 4 September, to UN Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold has been transmitted by the Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Laos to the United Nations:

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"Sir,

"Since 16 July 1959 foreign troops have been crossing the frontier and engaging in actions against garrison units of the Royal Army stationed along the northeastern frontier of Laos. These garrison units have been obliged to evacuate several posts and to engage in many actions in self-defense.

"It is obvious that these attacks would not have taken place if the attackers had not come from outside the country, and would not have continued if those attackers had not been receiving reinforcements and supplies of food and munitions from outside. The Royal Army suffered losses as a result of these attacks.

"On 30 August a fresh attack more violent than the previous ones was launched against the posts of Muong and Xieng Kho. Elements from the Democratic Republic of North Vietnam took part in the attack, which was supported by artillery fire from the other side of the frontier.

"In face of this flagrant aggression, for which the Democratic Republic of Vietnam must bear the entire responsibility, Laos is requesting the assistance of the United Nations, of which it is a Member, in accordance with Articles 1, paragraph 1, and 11, paragraph 2, of the Charter. In particular the Royal Government requests the prompt despatch of an emergency force to halt aggression and to prevent it spreading.

"I have the honor to request you to take the necessary action with regard to this request.

"I have the honor to be, etc.

(Signed) KHAMPAN PANYA"

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(Signed) KHAMPHAN PANYA"