

ANNEXURE III

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SUPERVISION AND CONTROL  
IN CAMBODIA

PHNOM-PENH,  
5th July, 1955.

His Excellency the Minister for Foreign Affairs,  
Royal Government of Cambodia,  
PHNOM-PENH.

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your letter No. 2293/CM of June 17, 1955, requesting the International Commission to inform the Royal Government of our views in regard to the Military aid agreement concluded on May 16, 1955 between the United States and Cambodia.

The International Commission has also received a letter of protest from General Giap, Commander-in-Chief of the People's Army of Vietnam, presenting the point of view of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam in regard to the U.S.-Cambodian Agreement.

With a view to understanding all aspects of the question, the International Commission has carefully examined not only the letters exchanged between the representatives of Cambodia and the United States, but also the declarations relating to the military aid agreement made by the Royal Government and its Memorandum enclosed in your letter to me dated June 29, 1955. It has also taken into account the statements made by Your Excellency to the International Commission on May 30, 1955.

The International Commission has taken note of the Communique issued by the Royal Government on May 29, 1955, in particular the paragraph quoted below:

"The Royal Government intends scrupulously and always to respect the terms of the Geneva Agreement concerning it, as well as the undertakings taken in its name at the Asian-African Conference at Bandung by its delegation led by His Royal Highness Upayuvareach Norodom Sihanouk; the Government renews hereby its approval of the declaration made by him concerning the neutrality of Cambodia."

The above mentioned Communique of May 29 also says:

"The Agreement recently concluded with the U.S.A. has therefore for its object the direct grant of American military aid to Cambodia. There is no question of granting military bases nor of a military alliance of any sort nor of the sending of American military instructors to Cambodia."

In the declaration made by the Royal Government at Geneva on July 20, 1954, which was incorporated in Article 7 of the Geneva Agreement and in para 4 of the Final Declaration