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STATEMENT ON THE RECENT VIETNAMESE  
INCURSIONS INTO THAILAND

The Honourable Gerald Regan, Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs, issued the following statement today on the recent military incursions into Thailand by personnel of the armed forces of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

The Government of Canada is gravely concerned about reports of incursions into Thailand by personnel of the armed forces of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. Such actions constitute a violation of Thailand's sovereignty and territorial integrity which the Government of Canada strongly condemns. The Government of Canada is especially concerned about the safety and welfare of Thai civilians and Cambodian refugees. The hardship caused by the Vietnamese military incursions places an unacceptable burden on Thailand.

The Government of Canada condemns the continued Vietnamese occupation of Cambodia and calls on the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to withdraw its forces from Thailand immediately, to cease all hostile activities in the area and to respond constructively to proposals for the settlement of the conflict in Cambodia.

Thai Prime Minister Prem Tinsulanonda will make an official visit to Canada April 8 to 12, 1984. The situation on the Thailand/Cambodia border will be amongst the subjects included for discussion when he meets Prime Minister Trudeau in Ottawa on April 11.