the channel of direct diplomatic negotiations.

Vice-Minister Ta-Quang-Buu in his letter also takes exception to the charges made public by the Royal Government of Cambodia which alleged that Viet-Minh troops attacked the post of Voeunsai. He has registered a protest against these charges on behalf of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam.

In this connection we wish to draw your attention to the discussions in October 1954 in the Joint Commission in Cambodia in which both parties to the Cease-Fire Agreement agreed to find ways and means of stopping hostile propaganda. We are sure that the Royal Government is aware that publicity to the charges of "Viet Minh aggression", while the matter was under investigation, has led to misunderstanding and consequently the maintenance of harmonious relations between the signatory Governments becomes more difficult.

The International Commission has sent a reply to the Government of the D.R.V.N. a copy of which is enclosed for your information.

Please permit me, Your Excellency, to renew to you the assurances of my highest consideration."