

CHAPTER III

REPORTED MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AND REINFORCEMENTS IN AREAS ADJACENT TO CAMBODIAN BORDERS AND REPORTED VIOLATIONS OR THREATS OF VIOLATIONS OF CAMBODIAN TERRITORY.

During the period under review, the Commission received no report from the Royal Government of violations or threats of violations of Cambodian territory by forces of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam.

2. However, the Commission received several letters from the Royal Government informing it of the build-up of military forces and reinforcements of military installations in South Vietnam and in Thailand along the Cambodian borders as well as of reported violations or threats of violations of Cambodian territory. These letters are summarized in appendix 'B'.

3. Reported military build-up and reinforcements of military installations in South Vietnam near the Cambodian border

The Commission received 10 letters from the Royal Government reporting to the Commission the establishment and reinforcement of military posts, the presence of Vietnamese military personnel, the digging of trenches etc. in South Vietnam near the borders of Cambodia. The Commission decided to send copies of these letters to the International Commission in Vietnam for its information and comments, if any. In certain cases, the Vietnam Commission informed the Cambodia Commission that copies of the relevant correspondence had been forwarded to the Government of the Republic of Vietnam.

4. The Commission received 2 letters from the local inhabitants of Cambodian villages expressing their apprehensions regarding reported threats to the Cambodian frontier from South Vietnam and requesting the Commission to consider the problem, to work in cooperation with the Royal Government to control in a more efficient manner the question of the Cambodia-South Vietnam frontier and to maintain peace in the country. The Commission decided that no action should be taken on individual petitions from private parties on such subjects. The petitions were noted and filed.

5. Reported military build-up and reinforcement of military installations in Thailand near the Cambodian border.

The Commission received 9 letters from the Royal Government informing it of the presence of Thai troops at the frontier and the reinforcements of Thai military installations near the Cambodian border. The receipt of these communications was acknowledged and the letters noted.

6. Reported violations or threats of violations of Cambodian territory by South Vietnamese elements

The Commission received 23 letters from the Royal Government of Cambodia in which the latter reported 37 incidents of violation of Cambodian territory. Of these, 4 incidents were reported direct by the Royal Government of Cambodia to