

APPENDIX 'C'

HANOI
20th June, 1955.

From

The General Commander-in-Chief of the
Popular Army of Vietnam

To

The Chairman of the International Commission
for Supervision and Control in Cambodia.

Mr. Chairman,

Recently the Royal Government of Cambodia has signed with the Government of the United States of America a military aid agreement. With a view to consolidate peace in Indochina, and in conformity with the policy of good neighbourhood between the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and the Kingdom of Cambodia, and as a signatory party to the Agreement on Cessation of Hostilities in Cambodia with the High Command of the Khmer National Armed Forces, we deem it necessary to present our point of view concerning the USA-Cambodia Agreement.

May we note a certain number of points as follows:-

According to Point 1(c), "the Government of the Kingdom of Cambodia hereby confirms that it has agreed to make, consistent with its political and economic stability, the full contribution permitted by its manpower, resources, facilities and general economic condition to the development and maintenance of its own defensive strength and the defensive strength of the free world".

As regards the members of the American military personnel, Point 2 states, "they will be accorded all facilities and full authority to enable them to follow the execution of the programme of assistance, including the utilization of the assistance furnished, and to report thereon, on a continuous basis."

According to Point 7, "if this equipment is no longer required for the purpose for which it was originally furnished, the Government of Cambodia will return it to the United States or dispose of it in accordance with the wishes of the Government of the United States....."

According to Point 9, "..... the Government of Cambodia will, by mutual agreement, furnish to the Government of the United States or to any other governments such equipment, materials, services and other assistance as may be mutually agreed upon in order to increase their capacity for individual or collective defence, or to facilitate their effective participation in the Collective Security system....."

According to Point 2 of Annexe A, "the Government of Cambodia will authorize importation and exportation, free of duty and of any other internal taxation, for all objects, equipment, or materials, imported into Cambodia for its use or for the use of the Government of the United States in connection with the present Agreement.