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American Embassy,
Bangkok, Thailand,
February 13, 1959.

Dear Mr. Minister:

While you have no doubt already received information on the subject from your Embassy in Moscow, I thought that you might be interested to know that PRAVDA of January 30 published a list of messages of greetings to the Soviet Party Congress in Moscow from various other Communist Parties, including the "Central Committee of Communist Party of Thailand".

According to the summary which I have received from our Embassy in Moscow, the message from the "Central Committee of Communist Party of Thailand" condemns "traitorous tactic of Yugoslav revisionists" and claims that Thai coup last year occurred owing to "pressure of American imperialists" and that Thailand is becoming "staging area for further aggression by US and SEATO". Message also blames US for Thai-Cambodian border difficulties and "pledges Thai party to 'increased effort'" to extend ties with workers, peasants, "patriots and democratic elements" to throw off "American yoke and achieve independence".

Sincerely,

U. Alexis Johnson

His Excellency

Nai Thanat Khoman,

Minister for Foreign Affairs.

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