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H.E. Sakthip Krairiksh
Ambassador
Embassy of the Kingdom of Thailand
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Your Excellency:

I am writing to request your assistance in securing a visa, on very short notice, to enter the Kingdom of Thailand for one of my journalists.

Mr. Mang Channo has been invited to participate in a training seminar sponsored by the International Media Memorial Foundation, which will take place in Chiang Mai from October 7 until October 30, 1995.

Numerous journalists have been invited from the Indochina region, and Mr. Mang Channo has been selected to participate because of his outstanding performance with the Phnom Penh Post over the last three years in the field of Environmental reporting.

Please accept my apologies for writing you on such short notice, however renewing Mr. Channo's passport with the Cambodian authorities took longer than expected. Thus, I'm hoping that the Thai Embassy will be able to assist us in issuing a visa before the close of business on Friday, October 6.

For your information, both the IMMF and the Phnom Penh Post will guarantee Mr. Channo's financial expenses during his stay in Thailand.

Let me take the opportunity to thank you in advance for any and all assistance.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Michael G. Hayes
Publisher & Editor-in-Chief

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P.S. I look forward to seeing you and Khun Benchapa on Friday night, although I'm sorry to see you leaving Cambodia.