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The Lon Nol-Cirik Matak clique and its associates are traitors who ruthlessly harm the people and are dishonest, low-class persons. Our patriotic people, bonzes, and high personages have known the nature of these persons ever since they gathered in the reactionary Khemareak Ponaka political party under the symbol of the Neang Xang Hing Preah Thorani (Goddess of the Earth--Ed) statue. They then stealthily infiltrated the Sangkum movement. Even in the past they were hated and opposed by our people, bonzes, and youths because they were rotten gangsters and hooligans, and traitors to the nation. Formerly they were servants of the

French colonialists; they are now lackeys of the U.S. imperialists, who commit ferocious and dishonest acts to oppress innocent, patriotic and democracy loving people. Being very greedy of power and position, the clique has used wicked ruses to slander and sow dissension among our people in order to (words indistinct) and seize power.

With the U.S. imperialists' full support, the Lon Nol-Sirik Matak clique used all methods to take the armed forces in hand. They managed to win over the hearts of a group of officers. They used U.S. dollars to give these officers trips abroad, cars and houses, and sumptuous banquets. They gave them good jobs in the army while punishing other officers who did not agree with them. Thus they have taken in hand the national army, second and sixth intelligence bureaus, police, provincial guard, students, and other intelligence services which they set up to enable their partisans to infiltrate the administration even in remote areas. They have used the police and provincial guard to intimidate the people and compel them to execute their orders, to further their cause, and to slander and destroy opponents to their traitorous activities within our country.

Wherever they went, they committed barbarous acts to achieve their gloomy objectives. They ordered troops to beat up teachers, and students. Worse still, they even dared to have peace-loving patriots assassinated secretly. Moreover, they made up stories aimed at destroying the national solidarity and issued accusations leading to forcible arrests. With the support of the U.S. imperialists and Saigon puppet authorities, they set up special forces called "white scarfs." In the past they made secret contacts with Son Ngoc Thanh and the Khmer Krom. At present, the clique overtly deals with them. Their reactionary, ferocious, fascist, and traitorous face is being unmasked daily. Since 18 March, in executing the U.S. imperialist order, they carried out a coup to overthrow Prince Norodom Sihanouk, Chief of State, to suppress Cambodia's independence, neutrality, peace, and territorial integrity, to massacre the people and bonzes, and to expand the U.S. war of aggression to Cambodia. They have been unanimously condemned by all Khmer people and severely condemned by world opinion. Apart from their U.S. imperialist masters and Saigon-Bangkok-Taipei-Seoul lackeys and the Japanese imperialists, no other country supports the Lon Nol-Sirik Matak clique, which is more isolated than ever. To deceive public opinion and win the support of a segment of public opinion, this clique has not hesitated to use the worst possible means including threatening bonzes to compel them to provide support. Proof of this is the fact that on 5 September the clique forced Samdech Sangkha-neayok of the Thoamayouth order to read the statement preplanned by this clique, although the chief was old and sick. The clique then recorded the chief's voice and had it broadcast to further its own interests.

On the other hand , as a way of intimidating and winning over the people, the Lon Nol-Sirik Matak clique tried to gather a handful of former officials of Prince Norodom Sihanouk, Chief of State, and a number of members of the Democratic Party in order to give them jobs in its reactionary government. This clique used oppressive measures based on martial law and general mobilization to intimidate citizens and their families. It also tried to buy people by offering them high-ranking positions. It did so to deceive public opinion into believing the coup was not staged only by its partisans -- who are U.S. imperialist lackeys-- but that it commanded great authority. In carrying out the coup in such a fashion, the clique's intention was to create a political base capable of winning the support of public opinion at home and abroad, and also to camouflage its criminal and treacherous acts and avoid political and military defeat.

All the above mentioned tricks of this clique have been in vain. Despite all its efforts, it cannot hide its treason to the country and people as well as the act of its U.S. imperialist master of coming to bomb and strafe everyday our monasteries, schools, districts, communes, villages, cities, and markets, killing our bonzes and people. It kneeled down before the U.S. and Saigon puppet troops to implore them to come to its rescue. These troops have committed barbarous acts such as raping our sisters, plundering our cattle, poultry, and property, burning our houses, and destroying our people's crops and forests. These crimes will not be pardoned by our monks and people.

The people's resistance forces have become stronger and developed rapidly from all viewpoints. NUFK is the advance-guard banner of our people's struggle in both the liberated areas and the areas temporarily controlled by the enemy. Our People's Liberation Armed Forces have won ever greater victories, and the liberated areas are ever expanding. Though backed by the U.S. imperialists and the Saigon and Bangkok governments, the Lon Nol-Sirik Matak clique has been forced to withdraw and take shelter in Phnom Penh and certain other cities and towns. Despite the U.S. imperialist activities intensifying the war and despite Saigon and Bangkok's efforts to save the Lon Nol-Sirik Matak (sic) from collapse, our people, our liberation armed forces, and our RENUC led by NUFK and chaired by Prince Sihanouk, are resolved to destroy them and to smash the reactionary fascist Lon Nol-Sirik Matak clique until final victory.

In view of these obviously treacherous acts, deceitful tricks, and abject intimidation measures by the Lon Nol-Sirik Matak clique, there is only one alternative for the high personages--that is, join with the people and cooperate with their brothers, the workers and peasants, and with the bonzes, youths, intellectuals, and the NUFK patriotic forces

to insure a brilliant future for our country, families, and all of us. Unless this path is taken, the country and people will be led to destruction, with high personages covered with shame and sinking together with the traitors Lon Nol and Sirik Matak.

Once again we call on all officials and high personages of all ranks who are working with the Lon Nol-Sirik Matak administration, and on all militarymen, policemen, and commandos to part with the traitors Lon Nol and Sirik Matak as soon as possible and to hasten to join the patriotic Khmer people and gather round NUFU which will welcome all brotherly compatriots gladly and cordially.

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