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The strength of the solidarity and struggle of all of our people, the nucleus of which is the solidarity bloc between the NFLSV and the VANDPF, is invincible. The just cause of our people will certainly be crowned with total victory.

I wish the lawyer chairman and other members of the VANDPF Central Committee good health and many new success in their activities.

South Vietnam, 19 April

[Signed] Lawyer Nguyen Huu Tho, chairman of the NFLSV Central Committee Presidium.

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The message said among other things: "The South Vietnamese people are very elated at and express their admiration to the victory of historic significance of the Cambodian people, and are very proud to have a very courageous companion-in-arms--the fraternal Cambodian people. Your victory has greatly inspired us and together with that wonderful victory, we are launching offensives and uprisings to deal well-deserved blows at the U.S.-Thieu clique for having violated and undermined the Paris agreement on Vietnam, and to score yet greater victories."

The message reiterated the iron-like will and the unshakable stand of the South Vietnamese people to always strengthen their militant solidarity and fraternal cooperation with the Cambodian people in the common cause against U.S. imperialism and in the building of their prosperous countries according to their choice. The message then expressed sincere thanks to the Cambodian people who have reserved wholehearted and effective support to the South Vietnamese people in their patriotic struggle.

On the same day, the South Vietnam Liberation Federation of Trade Unions, the Liberation Women's Union and the Liberation Youth Union sent separate messages to their Cambodian counterpart organizations, wishing the Cambodian people to rapidly heal the wounds of war and build their country into a prosperous nation.

Liberation Radio Commentary

Liberation Radio [Clandestine] in Vietnamese to Europe 1900 GMT 17 Apr 75 SG

[Station commentary: "The Heroic Cambodian People Have Won Complete Victory in Their Anti-U.S. National Salvation Resistance; The Capital of Phnom Penh and All Cambodian Territory Have Been Completely Liberated"]

[Text] The Cambodian people--who, 8 centuries ago, built the Angkor Wat temple, a great, wonderful cultural achievement of mankind--recently scored an extremely great armed exploit that has elated the Vietnamese people, their friends far and near and progressives in the world.

At a time when the traditional Cambodian new year was being celebrated, the CPNLF, taking advantage of their resounding victories, rushed forward and launched lightning attacks on Phnom Penh, heavily defeating the U.S. imperialist lackeys and forcing them to surrender unconditionally to the NUFC and the NGNUC.

By 1000 on 17 April, the CPNLF had taken complete control of all activities in the capital of Phnom Penh. The Cambodian people are now again in complete control of their wealthy and beautiful country of pagodas and temples.

This heroic achievement marks the most brilliant historic period of the Cambodian people--the period in which they successfully resisted the Americans to save their nation.

More than 5 years ago, on 18 March 1970, the U.S. imperialists directed their reactionary lackeys in Phnom Penh to stage a coup to topple the legal and constitutional regime of Chief of State Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, a regime that stood for peace and neutrality, and to establish a reactionary administration headed by the Lon Nol clique.

The Americans attempted to turn Cambodia into a new type of U.S. colony to oppose the struggle of the three Indochinese peoples to liberate their countries and, primarily, to oppose the revolutionary struggle of the people of South Vietnam and Southeast Asia.

Nixon himself once stated that Cambodia was a country where the Nixon doctrine was applied in its purest form. But the traditionally patriotic Cambodian people remained united and of one mind, closed their ranks under the banner of the just cause of the NUFC and the RGNUC, overcame untold sacrifices and hardships, and were determined to fight and defeat the U.S. imperialists--the aggressors who were many times stronger than themselves.

Although the U.S. imperialists performed the most brutal acts of war, including using B-52s to conduct extermination bombing in Cambodia; using new types of new mass-extermination weapons, such as CBU-55 bombs; mounting an airlift to support the countrysellers, their lackeys; and so forth, they were unable to dampen the Cambodian people's determination to fight or to check their vigorous advance.

The surrender of the lackey clique in Phnom Penh is a manifestation of the complete failure of the Nixon doctrine--a U.S. neocolonialist doctrine applied in Cambodia.

The victory of the Cambodian people, who defeated the war of aggression waged by the Americans in Cambodia, not only glorifies their history of struggle against foreign aggression but is also a victory for the liberation undertaking of the three Indochinese countries and of peace-loving peoples in the world. This great victory further affirms a truth of our time: A nation--whose territory and population are not large, but which adopts a correct policy of struggle, does not shun sacrifices or hardships, is determined to fight to the end to achieve independence for the fatherland and freedom for the people, and enjoys great support of its friends in the world--is fully capable of fighting and defeating a powerful imperialist aggressor who has material wealth and war materiel many times greater than its own.

The new great victory of the Cambodian people is a glorious victory resulting from the cemented militant solidarity of the blood-sealed peoples of the Indochina Peninsula and from the spirit of the Indochinese Peoples Summit Conference.

The U.S. imperialists' and their lackeys' defeat in Cambodia is another fresh lesson for the Americans, who must choose a correct path: completely end their involvement and interference in the three Indochinese countries. It is also the death knell for the traitorous Nguyen Van Thieu clique in South Vietnam. Continuing to serve as lackeys for the U.S. imperialists, to oppose peace, independence, democracy, and national concord of our people, and to sabotage the

Paris agreement, the traitorous Nguyen Van Thieu clique will certainly be unable to avoid meeting the same fate as the Lon Nol lackey clique in Phnom Penh.

Standing shoulder to shoulder in the resistance against the Americans and their lackeys and elated by the historic victories that each people recently achieved in their struggle for independence, democracy and freedom, we should further strengthen our solidarity and provide better mutual support while carrying out our revolutionary undertaking and protecting and developing our countries in the long run.

Hail to the Cambodian people who, under the leadership of the NUFC and the RGNVC, have led their resistance to complete victory!

The friendship and militant solidarity between the peoples of Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos will increasingly develop and become steadier for ever!

HANOI REPORTS PLAF CAPTURE OF III ARMY CORPS COMMANDER

Hanoi in Vietnamese to Vietnam 2200 GMT 23 Apr 75 SG

[Text] According to LPA, during attacks to completely liberate Ninh Thuan Province and Phan Rang city on 16 April, the Ninh Thuan PLAF captured Maj Gen Nguyen Vinh Nghi, head of the Puppet Army Corps III forward command and former commander of the puppet Army Corps IV and MR IV; Brig Gen Pham Ngoc Sang, commander of the puppet 6th Air Force Division; and many officers of the forward commands of the puppet Army Corps III and 6th Air Force Division in Phan Rang.

Nguyen Vinh Nghi, Pham Ngoc Sang and other officers captured have been treated well by the PLAF in accordance with PRGRSV policy.

PRGRSV MINISTRY ANNOUNCES DANANG PORT OPEN 22 APR

Liberation Radio [Clandestine] in Vietnamese to South Vietnam 1400 GMT 23 Apr 75 BK

[Text] On 22 April 1975, the PRGRSV Ministry of Economy and Finance announced:

Beginning 24 April 1975 the commercial port of Danang will resume its activities and be ready to receive cargo ships of foreign countries.

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Voice of NUFC [Glandestine] in Cambodian to Cambodia 1135 GMT 19 Apr 75 BK

[Text] Seventeen April is the day of the great, historically significant victory of the Cambodian nation and people, of the CPNLAF, NUFC, RGNUC and the Cambodian revolution. On 17 April, our CPNLAF assaulted the heart of Phnom Penh from all directions. To the north, after taking control of the head of the Chroy Changvar Bridge and Wat Phnom area, our CPNLAF took complete control of the old and new central markets. To the northwest, after liberating Tuol Kauk on 16 April and controlling and occupying the Khmer-USSR Friendship Institute of Technology and the central railway station on the Morning of 17 April, our forces pressed forward and at 0900 linked up with the forces coming from other directions in the center of the capital city.

To the southwest, after liberating the Monks Hospital area and the Stung Meanchey radio station and controlling the Tuk Laak area, our forces also linked up at the new central market. At the same time, our CPNLAF also took control of the Tuol Svay Prey and Tuol Tapoung areas at 0900.

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To the south, after occupying the Kbal Thnal area on 16 April, our CPNLAF pressed forward and took control of Chamcar Mon Palace, the U.S. Embassy and the Boeung Kengkang area on the morning of 17 April. At 0930, our CPNLAF, coming from all directions, met at the Phnom Penh traitors' General Staff headquarters and took control of it. To the northeast, also on the morning of 17 April, our CPNLAF liberated Chroy Changvar and crossed the river to Phnom Penh at 0930. Then we took control of the area along the west bank and occupied the Mekong River intersection. At 0930 on 17 April, we completely liberated Phnom Penh, the last den of the traitors Lon Nol, Sirik Matak, Son Ngoc Thanh, Cheng Heng, in Tam, Long Boret and Sosthene Fernandez--the zealous lackeys of the U.S. imperialists.

Therefore, the great, courageous and valiant Cambodian people and the armed forces, their best sons and daughters, have achieved total victory after struggling for 5 years and 1 month. When our armed forces entered Phnom Penh to liberate it, the fraternal citizens and masses accorded them the warmest welcome and cheers.

Long live the great and valiant Cambodian people!

VOICE OF NUFC HAILS LIBERATION OF PHNOM PENH ON 19 APR

Voice of NUFC [Clandestine] in Cambodian to Cambodia 0000 GMT 19 Apr 75 BK

[Text] The Cambodian people throughout the country, including civilians and monks, as well as those who live abroad, are extremely proud to welcome and express their thanks and warmest wishes for the whole CPNLAF, including its command of various levels, its cadres and combatants of both sexes who launched the great offensive against the enemy on the three strategic fronts. They completely liberated the Mekong River, Neak Luong and Banam; many district towns and provincial capitals; and finally Phnom Penh.

Long live all command echelons, all cadres and combatants of both sexes of the heroic CPNLAF! Hail to the sons and daughters of the great Cambodian people!

This victory has been won thanks to the support of friendly peoples throughout the world, the peace- and justice-loving peoples, including progressive Americans. The Cambodian people express heartfelt thanks to these people. This great victory enhances the personality of the Cambodian nation and people--including the CPNLAF, NUFC, RGNUC and the Cambodian revolution--on the international scene. Our people, our CPNLAF combatants and cadres have become even more virtuous and are ready to move forward to build a new and radiant Cambodia.

Goals Enumerated

Voice of NUFC [Clandestine] in Cambodian to Cambodia 1109 GMT 19 Apr 75 BK

[Text] This great victory--the complete liberation of Phnom Penh--is due to the fact that we have a righteous revolutionary line and have managed to mobilize vast and strong forces. The NUFC certainly represents the great unity of the entire nation and people whose only goal is to rally the forces to fight and drive out the U.S. imperialists; annihilate the seven traitors Lon Nol, Sirik Matak, Son Ngoc Thanh, Cheng Heng, in Tam, Long Boret and Sosthene Fernandez; and build a new Cambodia that is genuinely independent, peaceful, neutral, sovereign, democratic and prosperous with territorial integrity.

Brother functionaries, army officers, soldiers, militamen, commandos in the traitors' ranks on the fronts at various provincial capitals under temporary enemy control: At 0930 on 17 April 1975, our CPNLAF moved in and completely occupied Phnom Penh. All the ministries and strategic positions of the traitorous clique, including the first minister's office, the Defense Ministry, general headquarters, national security, police headquarters, Interior Ministry, Information Ministry, the Pochentong airbase and the Chroi Changvar naval base have fallen into the hands of our people's army.

The entire traitorous army which tried to withstand our offensive has now been crushed. The supertraitorous Supreme Committee, which obstinately tried to continue the destructive and barbaric war, has completely collapsed. On the aforementioned date and time, the supertraitorous, fascist, corrupt, landless republic in Phnom Penh--including its regime and the traitors themselves--found itself without a population, without rice and without a leader; and it lost its life and completely collapsed. For this reason, we would like to make the following appeal:

1. All soldiers, army officers, militamen, commandos in the traitors' ranks on the fronts in various towns and provincial capitals are requested to lay down their weapons and immediately join the NUFC. The only way you can remain alive and retain your honor is by immediately joining the NUFC. If you try to continue to serve the collapsed traitorous clique you will surely be annihilated our CPNLAF is very powerful. You cannot withstand it.
2. All functionaries in the capital and other provincial capitals must immediately stop working in your offices and quit cooperating with the traitorous clique and join the NUFC immediately.
3. As for you--the people, youths, pupils, students, functionaries and all patriots in the provinces--you must rise up and organize demonstrations and uprisings to overthrow all the stubborn provincial governors, mayors and commanders of submilitary regions and all the unit commanders. You must force them to lay down their weapons and immediately join the NUFC. You must do this immediately in order to end the devastating war and bring peace to the whole country in the near future. The NUFC is opening all the doors and extending its arms to gladly and fraternally welcome you at all times. Long live the strongest, greatest and ever victorious CPNLAF, NUFC, AND RGNUC!

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NUFC RADIO CARRIES SONG CITING 'KILLING' OF 'PHNOM PENH CLIQUE'

Voice of NUFC [Clandestine] in Cambodian to Cambodia 0215 GMT 20 Apr 75 BK

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AFP: KHMER ROUGE OCCUPY POIPET WITHOUT COMBAT 18 APR

Hong Kong AFP in English 1720 GMT 18 Apr 75 OW

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AFP: CITES AKI ON CONTINUING FIGHTING 19 APR

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