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PRGRSV FOREIGN MINISTRY 31 JUL STATEMENT ON CAMBODIA

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[Text] For many years now the U.S. imperialists have systematically undermined Cambodia's independence, peace, and neutrality. In March 1970 they instigated their lackeys in Phnom Penh, the Lon Nol clique, to stage a reactionary coup dietat, overthrowing Chief of State Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and opposing the Cambodian people.

The Americans and the Saigon administration sent troops to directly invade Cambodia, waging an extremely horrible war. After the Paris agreement on Vietnam was signed, the Americans have continued intensifying the war of aggression in Cambodia by using air power in an extremely barbarous manner, have destroyed many populous areas on Cambodian territory, and have plotted to send Saigon and Thai troops to invade Cambodia again. Recently the Americans, through the Phnom Penh puppet administration, advanced a so-called six-point proposal designed to deceive the public and cover up their new war escalation acts.

These acts again expose the stubborn and extremely warlike nature of the Nixon administration, which has trampled grossly on the Cambodian kingdom's independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity, and violated gravely Article 20 of the Paris agreement on Vietnam and Article 8 of the act of the international conference on Vietnam. The more they escalate the war of aggression in Cambodia, the more the U.S. imperialists encounter the Cambodian armed forces and people's resolute counterblows and the world public's mounting indignation.

In the flush of the Cambodian armed forces' and people's present great, vigorous, and repeated victories, the Nixon administration, even if it has intensified its barbarous bombing raids, can neither avoid tragic defeat nor prevent the collapse of the puppet Lon Nol administration. Under the glorious banner of the NUFC, presided over by Chief of State Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, and the RGNUC, whose premier is Samdech Penn Nouth and whose vice premier is Khieu Samphan, the heroic Cambodian armed forces and people will certainly be able to win many ever more brilliant victories and lead their just struggle to total victory.

The South Vietnamese people and the PRGRSV fully support the RGNUC stand set forth in the 21 July statement adopted at the Cambodian national congress, which is consistent with Chief of State Samdech Norodom Sihanouk's five-point statement on 23 March 1970 and with the NUFC action program. The South Vietnamese people and the PRGRSV vehemently denounce and sternly condemn the acts carried out by the Americans and their lackeys, who have prosecuted and intensified the war of aggression in Cambodia, and resolutely demand that they immediately and permanently end the bombing, strafing, and all interventionist and aggressive acts against Cambodia and scrupulously respect the Cambodian people®s fundamental national rights.

The South Vietnamese people and the PRGRSV are determined to strengthen their solidarity with the fraternal Cambodian people and support their sacred anti-U.S. national salvation struggle to build a truly independent, peaceful neutral, sovereign, democratic, and prosperous Cambodia with territorial integrity.