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[LPA commentary: "The Brilliant Victory of the Militant Solidarity and Intimate Friendship Between the Republic of South Vietnam and the Cambodian Kingdom"]

[Text] The first friendship visit to the Cambodian Kingdom by the delegation of the Republic of South Vietnam Provisional Revolutionary Government headed by Chairman Huynh Tan Phat from 30 June through 5 July 1969 at the invitation of Chief of State Norodom Sihanouk and the Royal Government ended successfully.

During its 2-week stay on the prosperous, beautiful, and hospitable Cambodian territory, the delegation enjoyed the warm welcome, solicitous reception, and intimate brotherly sentiments of the Khmer people, the Royal Government, the Sangkum, and, especially, Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, the talented, renowned chief of state of Cambodia and the great friend of the Vietnamese people. In Phnom Penh, the delegation was solemnly received in audience and entertained by Samdech Chief of State. In an atmosphere of sincere friendship and mutual understanding, it conferred with the Royal Government and Samdech Chief of State.

It had the opportunity to contact Sangkum Secretary General Sam Nol, Prince Norodom Kantol, the members of the Cambodia-Vietnam Friendship National Committee, Foreign Minister Prince Phurissara, and other personalities in the Royal Government. One of the vivid recollections for Chairman Huynh Tan Phat and the delegation members was that in Phnom Penh as well as in other great cities such as Kompong Cham, Battambang, and Sihanoukville, the delegation was accompanied and guided by Gen Lon Nol, acting prime minister of Cambodia and the closest collaborator of Samdech Chief of State during its visit to the outstanding economic, cultural, and educational accomplishments scored by Cambodia through its resolute struggle [words indistinct] and its self-help policy initiated by Samdech Chief of State.

Following this successful friendly visit of the delegation of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam to the Cambodian Kingdom, the South Vietnamese armed forces and people become even prouder of their close and loyal neighbor-friend--the Cambodian Kingdom and the fraternal Khmer people--and more deeply grateful for the complete and precious support which the Royal Government, headed by respected and beloved Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, has always provided for the South Vietnamese people, the NFLSV, and the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam in their decisive struggle against the U.S. imperialist aggressors and their lackeys to win complete victory.

The fraternal Khmer people and the Royal Government, under the clear-sighted, firm, and clever leadership of Samdech Chief of State have long since manifested their solidarity with and their thorough support for the South Vietnamese people's just stand of fighting for independence and freedom. It was Cambodia which recognized the NFLSV early, admitted the NFLSV's permanent representation to Cambodia, and raised it to ambassadorial level. It is Cambodia which has strongly and firmly supported the NFLSV's political program and 10-point overall solution to correctly solve the South Vietnam problem. Recently, when the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam came into being to shoulder the great historic mission of advancing the southernwide people's war of resistance toward complete victory, the Cambodian Government was among those which promptly recognized the Provisional Revolutionary Government and admitted the plenipotentiary ambassador of the Republic of South Vietnam to Cambodia.

Along with its thorough support for the South Vietnamese people's struggle, the Cambodian Kingdom, most symbolized by Samdech Chief of State Norodom Sihanouk, has constantly pleaded for it by strongly defending the South Vietnamese people's self-defense and self-determination rights, mercilessly condemning the U.S. imperialist aggressors, and rejecting the U.S. imperialists' puppets in Saigon.

The South Vietnamese armed forces and people were very moved by Samdech Chief of State Norodom Sihanouk's statement at the reception, conference, and banquet offered by Chairman Huynh Tan Phat that "Cambodia is determined to consistently and fully support the South Vietnamese people, to consider the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam as the only genuine representative of the South Vietnamese people, and to endorse the NFLSV's correct 10-point solution to the South Vietnam problem, the key point of which is that the United States must unconditionally withdraw all U.S. and satellite troops from South Vietnam and let the South Vietnamese people settle their own internal affairs without foreign interference."

From now on, Vietnam-Cambodia relations are the relations of militant solidarity and intimate friendship between the two friends having a common brutal enemy, the aggressive U.S. imperialists and their lackeys, and common objectives: gaining and protecting national independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity and resolutely and bravely struggling for the progress and prosperity of the nation and country.

Of course, the visit to the Cambodian Kingdom by the delegation of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam headed by Chairman Huynh Tan Phat has not only contributed toward consolidating and strengthening the militant solidarity and friendship between both countries, but has also created favorable conditions, as asserted by Samdech Chief of State Norodom Sihanouk and Chairman Huynh Tan Phat, for broadening their durable friendly cooperation and mutual support and assistance for the progress and survival of each side and for the independence and peace of Indochinese peoples.

The unswerving stand of the people and Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam is to fully support the brave struggle of the Khmer people and Cambodian Kingdom for the protection of Cambodia's independence, sovereignty, neutrality, and territorial integrity within its present borders. The South Vietnamese people and the NFLSV are the first in the world to solemnly recognize and pledge to respect these borders. Moreover, the unswerving stand of the South Vietnamese people under the correct leadership of the Republic of South Vietnam Provisional Revolutionary Government is to wholeheartedly contribute toward cementing and improving the militant solidarity and good neighborly relations with the Cambodian Kingdom and the fraternal Khmer people.

It is clear that the valuable affection, esteem, solidarity, and support manifested by the Khmer people and the Royal Government headed by Samdech Norodom Sihanouk to the delegation of the Republic of South Vietnam Provisional Revolutionary Government with regard to the South Vietnamese armed forces and people.

On the occasion of the very beautiful development of the militant solidarity and friendship between Vietnam and Cambodia, the South Vietnamese armed forces and people sincerely express their profound gratitude to beloved and esteemed Chief of State Norodom Sihanouk, acting Prime Minister Lon Nol, the Royal Government, and the fraternal Khmer people gathered around the Sangkum.

The South Vietnamese armed forces and people eagerly hope that the Cambodian Kingdom will score greater successes in the protection and building of an advanced, prosperous country. Always worthy of the sympathy, support, and valuable assistance of the Cambodian Kingdom, their intimate brother, the southern armed forces and people are determined to completely defeat the cruel aggressive war of the U.S. imperialists and their lackeys, to build an independent, democratic, peaceful, and neutral South Vietnam, and to proceed toward the peaceful reunification of the fatherland.