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[Text] Hanoi VNA December 17--The third national congress of people's representatives of Cambodia held on December 14 unanimously adopted a new constitution of Cambodia, according to the Voice of the National United Front of Kampuchea radio.

The congress, presided over by Samdech Penn Nouth, chairman of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the NUFC and prime minister of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, and Khieu Samphan, vice-premier and commander-in-chief of the People's National Liberation Armed Forces of Cambodia, was attended by 1,115 delegates of workers, peasants, combatants of the Cambodian peoples army and all the members of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia.

Vice-Premier Khieu Samphan made a report on the draft constitution of Cambodia. He pointed out that this draft constitution is the result of a long process of work which began at the special session of the national congress of people's representatives held on April 25, 26 and 27, 1975. This special session adopted an important political document reflecting the aspiration of workers, peasants and the revolutionary army to have an independent, peaceful, neutral, non-aligned Cambodia sovereign in its territorial integrity, a happy, equitable, just and really democratic society without the rich and the poor, without the exploiters and the exploited, that is to say a society in which all citizens will live in peace and great national unity and join efforts in the construction and defence of the country.

"To meet this aspiration," Vice-Premier Khieu Samphan went on, "the national congress of peoples representatives at this special session charged a committee with drafting a new constitution whose pivotal ideas had been approved by Samdech Head of State Norodom Sihanouk, chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, and Samdech Penn Nouth, chairman of the Political Bureau of the NUFC Central Committee. The constitution drafting committee and the government had unanimously decided that this draft constitution be popularized among the mass organizations throughout the country so that it could gather broad public suggestions and in the process it had been continually amended." After elaborate discussions, the congress unanimously adopted the constitution of Cambodia.

The representatives noted with great joy that the new constitution faithfully recorded the fundamental aspirations of the workers, peasants, revolutionary army men and people of all walks of life who had united to wage the war for national liberation against U.S. imperialism and its stooges in order to build a prosperous and happy Cambodia.

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PHOUN SIPASEUT SEES DRV, PRG ENVOYS IN PHNOM PENH

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[Text] On the morning of 17 December His Excellency PRG Ambassador Pham Van Ba and colleagues, and His Excellency DRV Charge d'Affaires (Tran Thu Man) and colleagues paid a call on His Excellency Vice Premier Phoun Sipaseut and his LPRP-LPDR delegation now on a friendship visit to Cambodia.

LAO DELEGATION MEETS CAMBODIAN 'GOVERNMENT' 17 DEC

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[Text] The LPRP-LPDR delegation led by His Excellency Vice Premier Phoun Sipaseut toured the Pochentong textile mill at 1530 on 17 December. It was accompanied by Comrade Deputy Prime Minister Ieng Sary and Comrade Minister Koy Thuon. At 1630 the same day, the friendly delegation paid a call on the Cambodian Government at the Prime Minister's Office. The friendly delegation and the Cambodian Government held a conversation in an extremely cheerful, cordial and warm atmosphere. Samdech Prime Minister Penn Nouth, Comrade Deputy Prime Ministers Khieu Samphan, Ieng Sary and Son Sen, Comrade Ministers Hu Nim, Ieng Thirith, Toch Phoeun and Koy Thuon and Comrade Sien An, Cambodian ambassador, were present at the meeting.

His Excellency Vice Premier Phoun Sipaseut once again stressed the militant unity and friendship between the Lao and Cambodian peoples--a unity and friendship born from our own blood which will grow ever stronger and more radiant. The conversation ended at 1720.

PHOUN SIPASEUT, IENG SARY SPEAK AT 15 DEC PHNOM PENH BANQUET

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Dear Excellencies and Comrades: Cambodia and the LPDR are two neighboring countries sharing a common border and watered by the same river. The peoples of our two countries have the same mores and traditions, and have categorically refused to accept any slavery yoke imposed on them by aliens. The history of our two countries- Cambodia and Laos is several thousand years old. It is filled with wondrous civilizations, events and masterpieces. The Cambodian people are hard working and peaceful. They have never resigned themselves to any foreign domination. This is why the Cambodian people, both in the past and present, have always understood and resolutely supported other peoples fighting to liberate themselves from the foreign colonialist yoke. This truth is public knowledge. More particularly, to the Lao people this truth was stressed in the 14th century- that is, when the Cambodian people gave a helping hand to the Lao people who were striving to unite the state of Lan Chang and expand their power.

Under the former colonialist regime and under the influence of the neocolonialism of the U.S. imperialists, the Cambodian, Lao and Vietnamese peoples--seething with indignation--rose up together everywhere, taking up weapons to fight like a dry-season forest fire, daring the hail of bullets and barrage of bombs and challenging the economic might of the enemy until finally they won their earthshaking brilliant victory.

The Cambodian people and liberation armed forces stopped and routed the forces of the U.S. imperialists and the traitorous Lon Nol clique, massively and valiantly assaulted Phnom Penh- the enemy's last den--and finally liberated this city and at the same time put an end to the U.S. war of aggression. The revolutionary flag of the heroic Cambodian people has thus been flying over all of Cambodia. Peace was then restored, the Cambodian people were freed from all exploitation of man by man; and the standard of living of the Cambodian people has gradually improved. This is an important contribution to the common victory of the Indochinese peoples and to the strengthening of world peace. Our Lao people are boundlessly happy and congratulate this immensely great victory which the Lao people regard as their own.

Excellencies, Comrades: In the face of this brilliant historic victory of the Cambodian people, the Lao people led by the LPRP have been greatly encouraged and have entirely eliminated all agencies of the U.S. imperialist aggressors from Laos. The Lao people achieved their national-democratic revolution throughout the country. From the countryside to the cities, from the mountains to the plains the Lao people rose up and fought to overthrow the neocolonialist regime of the U.S. imperialists, comprador capitalist, militarist warlords and reactionary capitalists. They seized administrative power and held elections for people's assemblies at all levels, from the basic to the provincial levels, so that they were able to hold a congress of people's representatives which then decided to put an end to the monarchy and establish the LPDR. This is a most considerable achievement of the 90-year determined, heroic struggle of the Lao people led by the LPRP. It produced an event of historic significance.

The entire Lao people welcome this victory and stand ready to transform the LPDR into a peaceful, independent, democratic, united and prosperous country with genuine social progress. This is an evident, active contribution of the Lao people to the consolidation of the revolutionary forces, to the national liberation movement and to the peace and progress-loving forces in the world--especially in Southeast Asia--aimed at shaking the world imperialist system.

Excellencies, Comrades: In the past the Lao and Cambodian peoples built their history together. More recently, the peoples of our countries have again forged their contemporary history together by eliminating the aggression of the U.S. imperialists and wiping out all the filth of neocolonialism. The victory of the Lao and Cambodian peoples is an inseparable and mutually enhancing victory. The Lao people are extremely proud to have the Cambodian people as their close comrades who assisted and supported them in their struggle under all circumstances.

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It is under these excellent circumstances that you--excellencies and comrades--come to our country. Since our fatherland was completely and definitively liberated, our entire Cambodian people and revolutionary armed forces have joined hands with soaring enthusiasm in the great movement to restore the economy and rebuild the country. In this situation, your visit is regarded as a most vigorous encouragement to us all. On behalf of the government and people of Cambodia we would like to express deepest thanks to Your Excellencies and comrades for this lofty gesture--that is, for visiting our country despite the fact that there are still many urgent matters in Laos. This is a brilliant testimony of the continuing militant unity and fraternal friendship which has bound our two nations and peoples since time immemorial in the protracted struggle against the common enemy for the defense of our respective independence and territorial integrity.

Excellencies, gentlemen and comrades: The Lao people are very courageous. During the past 30 years they waged a tenacious and valiant struggle, enduring all kinds of hardships and difficulties in successively driving out from the sacred Lao soil the French colonialists, the Japanese imperialists and the U.S. imperialists as well as overthrowing the oppressive and repressive regime of the reactionary feudalists. Recently, to crown it all, the Lao people's national congress proclaimed the founding of the Lao People's Democratic Republic. At present, under the wise leadership of the LPRP, the Lao people are upholding the combat banner in a drive to successfully restore the economy and to defend and build the country.

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[Text] Saigon, (LPA December 19)--The Romania-Cambodia joint communique, made known in Bucharest on December 13 on the occasion of the official and friendly visit to the Socialist Republic of Romania of Head-of-State Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, chairman of the National United Front of Cambodia, warmly welcomed the great victory of the Indochinese peoples.

On the Vietnam and Indochina issues, the joint communique stressed: The two state leaders warmly hailed the great historical victory of the Vietnamese and Lao peoples in the struggle against imperialism and reactionary forces, for independence and freedom and for economic and social development in accordance with their will and legitimate aspirations, without intervention of foreign countries. The two state leaders valued that the victory scored by the Cambodian, Vietnamese and Lao peoples have created new and favorable conditions for the consolidation of peace in Indochina and the rest of the world.

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CAMBODIAN CONGRESS APPROVES CONSTITUTION

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[Text] Hanoi, December 19 TASS--The VIETNAMESE NEWS AGENCY reports that Cambodia's new constitution has been unanimously approved by the Third National Congress of People's Representatives of the country. The delegates of the congress were addressed on the draft constitution by Khieu Samphan, first deputy prime minister and minister of national defense. The draft constitution was drawn up by a special commission, set up on decision of the emergency session of the national congress, held late in April this year. This draft, the speaker said, embodies the aspirations of workers, peasants and servicemen of the revolutionary army that Cambodia be an independent, peaceful, neutral and non-aligned country without exploiters and the exploited, a country in which all citizens will live in peace and national unity and through joint efforts will develop and defend their country. The draft constitution was extensively discussed by public organizations which had introduced a number of amendments and supplements to it.