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NCNA REPORTS SIHANOUK REJECTION OF NEGOTIATIONS

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[For a shorter APP report on this statement, see the item entitled "Sihanouk: No negotiations Even With Lon Nol Gone" on page H 2 of the 1 April Asia & Pacific DAILY REPORT]

[Text] Peking, April 1, 1975 (HSINHUA)--Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, head of state of Cambodia and chairman of the National United Front of Cambodia, in a statement yesterday exposed the U.S. scheme of letting Lon Nol leave Phnom Penh and reaffirmed the stand of the Cambodian patriotic army and people to struggle without compromise against U.S. imperialism and its lackeys to the end.

The statement says: "Knowing that it has lost in Cambodia, U.S. imperialism now resorts to a new political plot. It allows Lon Nol, the super-traitor in Phnom Penh to 'visit' Indonesia and then, go to America for 'medical treatment'. It replaces him in Phnom Penh with traitor Saukam Khoy, the big war criminal and executioner of the Cambodian patriots, as the 'acting president' of the 'Republic of Khmer.'"

The statement says "U.S. imperialism ordered its another despicable valet, named Pan Sothi, to propose to the patriotic heroes, the Red Khmers, "negotiations" with the maintenance of the so-called 'republican' regime in Cambodia as the only 'pre-condition.'"

This is a "dirty and vulgar trap" of U.S. imperialism, it notes. "It believes that the temporary retreat of quisling Lon Nol and his replacement by other super-traitors, mortal enemies of the Cambodian people, will save the skin of its neo-colonialist system established in Phnom Penh from March 1970 up to today." But the Cambodian patriots can see clearly what the enemy is up to.

The statement says, "in the name of the NUFC, RGNUC and CPNLAF, I proclaim openly again that on no account, under no circumstances, neither in the near future nor in more remote future, will the Cambodian resistance agree to be reconciled with the traitors in the clique of Saukam Khoy, Pan Sothi and company.

"The NUFC, RGNUC and CPNLAF will never betray the political programme of the NUFC, the five-point declaration of the head of state of Cambodia (Norodom Sihanouk) dated March 23, 1970 and the resolutions of the first and second national congress of the people of Cambodia."

The statement says: "The NUFC, RGNUC and CPNLAF will always fight U.S. imperialism and its valets in the spirit of no retreat or compromise until they are eliminated totally, definitively and irreversibly from the sacred soil of Cambodia."

"The NUFC, RGNUC and the CPNLAF will certainly be victorious and will completely sweep away U.S. neocolonialism and the charlatanic, extremely corrupt, antipopular and anti-national "Khmer Republic" in the near future," the statement says in conclusion.

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AKI REPORTS SIHANOUK'S 26 MAR WAR CRIMINALS STATEMENT

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[26 March statement by Samdech, Chief of State Norodom Sihanouk--a shorter report on this statement provided by Hong Kong AFP was published on page H 1 of the 27 March DAILY REPORT under the title: "Sihanouk Announces 21 More 'Supertraitors' To Be Tried."]

[Text] Cambodia, 1 April, AKI--Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, chief of state and chairman of the NUFC, has issued a statement most vigorously denouncing U.S. imperialism and its Phnom Penh lackeys for cooking up new maneuvers of the so-called appeal for a cease-fire, negotiations and national reconciliation, and reaffirming the Cambodian people's firm determination never to accept negotiation or compromise with the enemy.

The statement, dated 26 March, reads: On the bloody stage of Cambodia U.S. imperialism has again presented a new farce in which its puppet, Long Boret, in his capacity as the prime minister of the new government of the Khmer Republic, launched another appeal to the Cambodians of the other side requesting a cease-fire, negotiations and national reconciliation.

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This rotten supertraitor Long Boret has shamelessly affirmed that the Khmer Rouge patriots have every reason to come to an understanding with the Lon Nolites, who, according to him, are true democrats and patriots breaking all records of loyalty to the people, the country and national independence and even all records for honesty!

On behalf of the NUFC, RGNUC and CPNLAF, I bring the following to the attention of the entire world:

First: The high officials and cadres of the sham Khmer Republic are as different from the Khmer Rouge patriots as black and white. For over the past 5 years these sham republicans have already broken all world records for national treason, moral abjection, social rotteness, and corruption. The Cambodian people will certainly eliminate them from our society and thus do them justice.

Second: Long Boret himself was condemned to death by the Cambodian people at the end of the national congress on 25 February 1975. U.S. imperialism is grossly mistaken if it believes that a Long Boret can bend the will of resistance of the Khmer Rouge patriots and bring them to rally to his foul republic any better than Lon Nol.

Though not sentenced to death by the national congress of the Cambodian people, the other supertraitors such as Hang Thun Hak, Pan Sothi, Sak Sutsakhan, Saukam Khoy, Lon Non, Khy Taing Lim, Hou Hong, Kong Orn, Ly Khvan Pan, Loeng Nal, Iv Yang, Cheav Seang Lean, Long Botta, Van Sar, Nguon Chemp, Saing Sarath, Ung Sikhun are no less true war criminals who, following the liberation of Phnom Penh, will have to answer before state justice for their innumerable evil deeds and terrible crimes whose victims over the past 5 years have been the fatherland, the people, the nation and the Cambodian state.

By offering such fascist, archrotten traitors--the worst cowardly war criminals--as the interlocutors to the NUFC, RGNUC and CPNLAF, U.S. imperialism has unpardonably insulted the memory of male and female Cambodian patriots who sacrificed their lives for the loftiest and purest ideas of the Cambodian people.

I invite the United States to end this odious, ridiculous and childish game without delay.

Third: The NUFC, RGNUC, CPNLAF and Norodom Sihanouk swear to fight to the death against U.S. imperialism. We swear never to accept any negotiation or compromise with U.S. imperialism and its lackey as long as we live.

The United States thinks it can intimidate us by again sending a second helicopter carrier-- Hancock--into our territorial waters to reinforce the helicopter carrier Okinawa and numerous other U.S. naval units off our seacoasts. Thousands of U.S. soldiers are aboard these units, ready to come to the rescue of the army and government of Lon Nol, Long Boret and Hang Thun Hak when they face complete collapse under the last assaults of the CPNLAF.

If the U.S. aggressors again dare to venture against our people we will not fail to victoriously confront their cowardly and extremely criminal aggression.

KHIEU SAMPHAN ISSUES STATEMENT ON CURRENT SITUATION

Voice of the NUFC of Phnom Penh [Clandestine] in Cambodia to Cambodia 0700 GMT 1 Apr 75 BK

[1 April RGNUC statement read by Khieu Samphan--recorded]

[Text] The military, political, economic, financial and food supply situation of the traitorous Lon Nol clique is on the brink of complete collapse. This clique has driven our beloved country and people into great havoc and suffering. The great destruction caused by the 18 March 1970 reactionary coup and by the U.S. imperialists' aggression has spread throughout Cambodia and affected all the people, to a degree unprecedented in our history. The seven traitorous chieftains have packed or are packing their bags to flee abroad in a bid to escape punishment by our people. Contemptible Son Ngoc Thanh has fled to Saigon; contemptible In Tam has disappeared; and contemptible Sosthene Fernandez and Cheng Heng also recently fled abroad. Now, ordered by their masters--the U.S. imperialists--contemptible Lon Nol and Long Boret have also packed much luggage to flee abroad in a bid to escape from our people and NUFC. This is the complete defeat of the seven traitors. They have shamefully, contemptibly and cowardly fled the country after committing extremely antinational, fascist and corrupt acts against our Cambodian nation and people during the past 5 years.

Thus, the NUFC, RGNUC and CPNLAF would like to make the following solemn statement:

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2. The NUFC, RGNUC and CPNLAF would like to appeal to all officers, men and members of armed organizations of all categories of the traitorous clique on all battlefields, including those around Phnom Penh and in some provinces under temporary enemy control, to lay down their weapons immediately and join the NUFC at once. Functionaries of all ranks are asked to immediately stop working for the seven traitors and join the NUFC.

All brother soldiers and civilians who have been forced by the archanternational, archfascist and archrotten clique of traitors to serve them and the U.S. imperialists' aggressive war: Now the seven traitors have already forsaken you; you must follow the path of honor and national solidarity by joining the NUFC. The NUFC, RGNUC, CPNLAF and the Cambodian people in the entire liberated zone would like to appeal to you [word indistinct] and congratulate you for enduring and overcoming untold misfortune over the past 5 years. The NUFC and RGNUC have ordered all front organizations and all CPNLAF units to warmly welcome you.

3. Even after they fled abroad, the seven traitors received orders from the U.S. imperialists to pursue other maneuvers in order to prolong the war of aggression by appointing this or that man in order to hold so-called negotiations. All these maneuvers are aimed at prolonging the war of aggression. The NUFC and RGNUC are firmly determined to destroy all these maneuvers and appeal to national and international opinion to reject these tricks in advance.

They would like to demand that all politicians or high ranking officials, including soldiers and civilians, not take part in any activity that may serve these maneuvers. In contrast, you must destroy all these maneuvers in order to end the war of destruction and restore true peace immediately, thus ending all the misfortune suffered by the Cambodian people and to build a prosperous nation in accordance with the policy of independence, peace, neutrality, sovereignty, democracy, territorial integrity and nonalignment.

Liberated zone, 1 April 1975. Khieu Samphan.

AFP REPORTS CAPTURE OF NEAK LUONG BY KHMER ROUGE

Hong Kong AFP in English 0930 GMT 2 Apr 75 BK

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One group was headed south of Neak Luong where they found provisional refuge 3 kilometers (2 miles) from the port. Another group headed east toward Svay Rieng but there was little hope that they could offer much resistance because the area has been under total Khmer Rouge control for more than a year. The third group headed northeast of Neak Luong toward Prey Veng 20 kms (12 miles) away, which has been surrounded by Khmer Rouge troops for months.

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PRACHACHAT WARNS GOVERNMENT ON ARMS SHIPMENTS TO CAMBODIA

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[Editorial: "The Political Farce"]

[Text] The prime minister's anger with the defense minister, which was caused by reports that a number of Express Transport Organization [ETO] trucks are still being used to transport arms from Thailand into Cambodia, has raised several points worth pondering. Overall, the activities of the ETO can only create an adverse situation for the country, and these activities will eventually become a problem for the Thai people despite the fact that they know nothing about the matter.

Firstly, the prime minister's anger can be construed as a pretense because he might know full well what was going on. According to this argument, his anger in front of the journalists was intended to show that the government had tried in every way not to interfere in the internal affairs of neighboring countries. If this assumption is correct, it means that the prime minister is a hypocrite.

The second scenario is that the prime minister might not know the truth about what was going on, but verbally declared that Thailand would not interfere in the affairs of the neighboring countries. He then received fabricated reports submitted to him by certain elements, which contradicted what was really going on. In this case, it means that the present Thai Government does not have full authority in administering the affairs of state, and that other power groups--both from within and without--still have authority above that of the government because they need not pay attention to the conditions and policies recently set forth by the government. [paragraph continues]

If the government is in this position, and those power groups cover the U.S. troops as well, it has no choice but to tell the people what is exactly going on and why. It must then take drastic measures to get rid of these power groups who are above the government. This is the only way for the government to prove that it is on the people's side.

These power groups have brought numerous disasters to the country and the people for a long time. Worse still is the fact that in the past several Thai administrations have even colluded with these domestic and foreign groups, and the adverse effects of such collusion still remain harmful to our country today. We want the present government, which has been elected by the people, to prove whether Thailand is really run by its government or by power groups. The government can wait no longer, but must quickly make a clear-cut decision on this. So long as the government continues to allow warships from Sattahip and ETO trucks to openly transport arms into Cambodia while clamoring that we are not interfering in the internal affairs of that country, it means that the government is only staging a political farce. Of course, such a farce is not at all amusing to the Thai people since we have never been amused by the losses of life and property and the misery suffered by our neighboring countries.

YAO, KMT TROOPS REPORTEDLY FLED FROM LAOS INTO CHIANG RAI

Bangkok PRACHATHIPATAI in Thai 4 Apr 75 pp 1, 12 BK

[Excerpts] Chiang Rai, 3 April--About 1,000 Yao tribesmen have fled from Laos into Thailand. They are reportedly former troops of Major General Chao La who were abandoned by him when the United States completely cut aid to Laos. They intruded into Thailand through Chiang Rai Province. The authorities have ordered Major Surasak Trimongkhon, Chiang Saen district chief to push the intruders, who have settled in the area of Huai Mae Bong stream, back across the border.

The authorities have contacted the deputy commander of the Laos military region Brigadier Tiao Vannasaeng, and Muang Sing Governor Khamsen Saignavong to help return the Yao intruders, but the Lao authorities have said that they are not prepared to have them back.

At Ban Mae Ap village, north of Huai Mae Bong stream, troops of the 5th Nationalist Chinese Division, which have withdrawn from Laos, have settled in the area. They are commanded by Brigadier (Tse Chi-seng). The troops have felled trees to build shelters and cleared the land for cultivation.

Border Patrol Police officials have negotiated unsuccessfully with leaders of the two groups.

HISTORY OF THE VIETNAM WAR ON MICROFILM

