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SIHANOUK ARRIVES IN CANTON FROM DRV ON 'OFFICIAL VISIT'

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[Text] Hanoi, February 7, 1973 (HSINHUA)--Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, head of state of Cambodia and chairman of the National United Front of Cambodia, and Princess Monique Sihanouk left here by plane this morning after their visit to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and celebrating the lunar new year together with the Vietnamese people, according to VNA. Also leaving were Ieng Sary, special envoy of the interior part of Cambodia; Princess Norodom Keth Kanya, aunt of Samdech Sihanouk; and other distinguished Cambodian guests.

President Ton Duc Thang of the DRV went to the government guest house to see off Samdech Sihanouk and other distinguished Cambodian guests.

The distinguished Cambodian guests were seen off at the airport by Pham Van Dong, premier of the Government of the DRV; Vo Nguyen Giap, vice-premier and minister for national defence, and his wife; Nguyen Duy Trinh, vice-premier and minister for foreign affairs, and his wife; Hoang Quoc Viet, member of the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Vietnam Fatherland Front; Hoang Minh Giam, minister of culture; Hoang Van Loi, vice-minister of foreign affairs; Tran Duy Hung, chairman of the Administrative Committee of Hanoi city; and Phan Thi An, standing member of the Vietnam Women's Union.

Nguyen Van Tien, head of the special representation of the Republic of South Vietnam in the DRV, was also present.

Sien An, Cambodian ambassador to the DRV, and the diplomatic envoys of a number of countries also saw off the Cambodian guests at the airport.

Representatives of the people of various strata here, holding banners and bouquets, were at the airport to see off the distinguished Cambodian guests.

Samdech Sihanouk and Premier Pham Van Dong expressed at the airport the friendly feelings between the two peoples and wished further consolidation of the unity and friendship between the DRV and Cambodia after the visit of Samdech Sihanouk and other distinguished Cambodian guests.

[Peking NCNA in English at 0630 GMT on 8 February transmitted the text of the joint communique on Sihanouk's 30 Jan-7 Feb visit to the DRV.]

Arrival in Canton

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[Text] Canton, February 7, 1973 (HSINHUA)--Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, head of state and chairman of the National United Front of Cambodia, and Madame Sihanouk arrived here by special plane this afternoon to an exuberant welcome by tens of thousands of people. Accompanied by Special Envoy Ieng Sary, they have come for an official friendly visit to Kwangtung Province after visiting the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and spending the Spring Festival holidays there together with the Vietnamese people.

Among those accompanying Samdech and Madame Sihanouk on the visit to Kwangtung are: Keat Chhon, minister delegate to the prime minister of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, and Madame Keat Chhon; Prince Norodom Yuvaneath; Princess Norodom Keth Kanya, aunt of Samdech Sihanouk; Prince Sisowath Methavi, director of the Office of the Head of State; Van Piny, second vice-minister of foreign affairs of the RGNUC and Madame Van Piny; and Sien An, Cambodian ambassador to the DRV, and Madame Sien An.

Hsu Hsiang-chien, vice-chairman of the Military Commission of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, had come here from Peking specially to greet Samdech and Madame Sihanouk and the other distinguished Cambodian guests and accompany them on their visit.

The Cambodian guests were warmly welcomed at the airport by Ting Sheng, chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Revolutionary Committee, and his wife Meng Wen-hung; and leading members of the provincial revolutionary committee, the Canton units of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, the PLA Kwangtung Provincial Command and the Canton Municipal Revolutionary committee, including Wang Shou-tao, Jen Ssu-chung, Lin Li-ming, Wu Chun-jen, Yang Shu-ken, Chung Han-hua, Peng Chia-ching, Liang Hsiu-chen, Chiao Lin-i, Li Chien-chen, Li Wei-ying, Su Ko-chih, Liang Hsiang and Lo Fan-chun.

Madame Pemme Peang, mother of Madame Sihanouk, and other distinguished Cambodian guests had come here from Peking to greet Samdech and Madame Sihanouk and accompany them on the visit.

Tran Van Thong, consul of the DRV Consulate-General in Canton, was also present at the airport.

Covered with green trees and early spring flowers in full blossom, Canton was today steeped in an atmosphere of Sino-Cambodian people's friendship. Full of joy, workers, peasants, PLA commanders and fighters, students and other inhabitants gathered at the airport and lined streets awaiting the distinguished Cambodian guests.

The special plane carrying Samdech and Madame Sihanouk touched down at around 1 p.m. at the airport which flew the national flags of Cambodia and China. Several thousand people awaiting there waved bouquets and coloured streamers, while boys and girls in their holiday best danced to express their welcome. Samdech and Madame Sihanouk and Special Envoy Ieng Sary stepped down the plane amidst cheers and the beating of drums and gongs. Hsu Hsiang-chien, Ting Sheng and others went up and cordially shook hands with them. Children presented the guests with bouquets.

Samdech Norodom Sihanouk in the company of Hsu Hsiang-chien and Ting Sheng, and Princess Monique Sihanouk, in the company of Meng Wen-hung and vice-chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Revolutionary Committee Liang Hsiu-chen, drove to the guest house in two open cars. Huge slogans of welcome hung on tall buildings along the route. Beautiful arches of flowers and green leaves decorated the streets. Boats and ships on the Pearl River flew flags in salute. Balloons floated overhead. Loudspeakers rang with the song "Remembrance of China", by Samdech Sihanouk, and other Cambodian and Chinese music. People lining the route hailed: "Warm congratulations to the Cambodian people on their great victory in the war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation!"

"Long live the great friendship and militant solidarity of the people of China and Cambodia!" "Long live Samdech Norodom Sihanouk!" and "Long live Chairman Mao!" The grand welcome expressed the Kwangtung people's profound feelings for the heroic, fighting Cambodian people. Samdech and Madame Sihanouk waved back again and again to the welcoming crowds in acknowledgement.

Nguyen Thuong, DRV ambassador to Cambodia, accompanied the distinguished Cambodian guests to Canton from Hanoi.

Chinese Ambassador to Cambodia Kang Mao-chao and his wife Yang Ling went specially to Hanoi to greet Samdech and Madame Sihanouk and accompanied them to Canton.

#### 7 Feb Banquet

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[Text] Canton, February 7, 1973 (HSINHUA)--The Kwangtung Provincial Revolutionary Committee gave a banquet here this evening to warmly welcome Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, head of state and chairman of the National United Front of Cambodia, Madame Sihanouk and other distinguished Cambodian guests.

Present at the banquet were Hsu Hsiang-chien, vice-chairman of the Military Commission of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress; Ting Sheng, chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Revolutionary Committee, and his wife, and leading members of the provincial revolutionary committee, the Canton units of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, the PLA provincial command and the Canton Municipal Revolutionary Committee, including Wang Shou-tao, Jen Ssu-chung, Lin Li-ming, Wu Chun-jen, Yang Shu-ken, Chung Han-hua, Peng Chia-ching, Liang Hsiu-chen and Chiao Lin-i, as well as Chinese Ambassador to Cambodia Kang Mao-chao and his wife. [Peking NCNA Domestic Service in Chinese at 2000 GMT on 7 February, in its report, adds the following names after that of Chiao Lin-i: "Li Chien-chen, Li Wei-ying, Su Ko-chih, Liang Hsiang, and Lo Fan-chun"]

Among the guests at the banquet were Nguyen Thuong, ambassador of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam to Cambodia, and Tran Van Thong, consul of the DRV Consulate-General in Canton.

Ting Sheng and Samdech Sihanouk spoke at the banquet. Their speeches were filled with warm and friendly feelings.

On behalf of the Kwangtung provincial and Canton municipal revolutionary committees and the people of the province, Ting Sheng extended a warm welcome to the distinguished Cambodian guests. He heartily congratulated Samdech Sihanouk on his successful visit to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam.

Ting Sheng said: "Samdech Sihanouk, who has been here on several occasions before, is visiting Canton again in the excellent situation of the Cambodian people's war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation, bringing us the happy tidings of victory and the profound friendship of the Cambodian people. This is a great pleasure and encouragement for us." [Peking NCNA Domestic Service, in its version, omits the words "and encouragement" in this sentence]

Ting Sheng said: "We are very glad that the Cambodian people and the People's National Liberation Armed Forces, led by the National United Front of Cambodia with Samdech Sihanouk as its chairman, have won very great victories in the struggle against U.S. aggression and for national salvation. The Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia has been recognized by more than thirty countries in Asia, Africa, Europe and Latin America, and its international prestige has been growing."

He added: "The recent statement issued by Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, head of state of Cambodia, Samdech Penn Nouth, prime minister of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, and Mr. Khieu Samphan, vice-prime minister and minister of national defence of the RGNUC, reiterated that a solution to the Cambodian problem can be found only in the application of the March 23, 1970 five-point declaration of Samdech Sihanouk. We, the people of Kwangtung Province, like the rest of the Chinese people, resolutely support the just stand of this solemn statement and the just struggle of the Cambodian people."

Ting Sheng expressed the conviction that, with the support of the people of other Indochinese countries and the world as a whole, the Cambodian people would surely realize their national aspirations and achieve independence, peace, neutrality, territorial integrity, democracy and prosperity.

In his speech at the banquet, Samdech Sihanouk said that China and Cambodia had maintained fraternal and extremely cordial relations over the past 2,000 years or so. China, under the leadership of respected and beloved Chairman Mao Tsetung, and the Kingdom of Cambodia after it regained independence have really shown the force of friendship, and solidarity for peace, progress, freedom and justice, he noted.

Samdech Sihanouk spoke highly of the role of Canton in promoting Cambodia-China friendship and supporting the struggle of the three Indochinese peoples. Quoting Premier Chou En-lai, he said that the Khmer, Vietnamese, Lao and Chinese people would remain united, fight together and win victory together. Samdech Sihanouk expressed confidence in victory in the common struggle against U.S. imperialism, and the realization in the near future of territorial integrity of the four countries. He said that Taiwan would return to the embrace of the People's Republic of China, Vietnam would accomplish its unification, Cambodia would liberate Phnom Penh and Laos would realize again its national unity.

Samdech Sihanouk recalled his recent visit to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. He said: "We joyously joined our Vietnamese brothers in celebrating the Tet, the first Tet after the Vietnamese brothers had defeated U.S. bombing and won decisive victory. This victory indicates that Indochina will achieve final victory. We are united now and will remain united in the future."

A warm atmosphere of unity and friendship between the Chinese and Cambodian people prevailed throughout the banquet.

#### NCNA REPORTS DRV COMMUNIQUE ON VIETNAM CONFERENCE SITE

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[Text] Hanoi, February 6, 1973 (HSINHUA)--The Press and Information Department of the Foreign Ministry of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam issued a communique this evening. It reads:

"The Government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and the Government of the United States of America, on behalf of the parties of 'the Agreement on Ending the War and Restoring Peace in Vietnam' signed on January 27, 1973, have agreed to propose Paris as the site for an international conference to be convened on February 26. They will consult on this matter with the parties listed in Article 19 of the agreement."