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SIHANOUK RECEIVES DRV STATEMENT ON BORDERS

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(Text) Yesterday morning, Prince Norodom Sihanouk, chief of state, received Nguyen Thuong, representative of North Vietnam, who handed him a statement of the Hanoi government on recognition of the present frontiers of Cambodia.

The statement said, in particular: Based on its consistent policy toward the Cambodian Kingdom, which consists of respecting the independence, sovereignty, neutrality, and territorial integrity of this country, the Government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam solemnly declares that it recognizes and pledges to respect the territorial integrity of Cambodia within its present frontiers; and that it fully approves of the 31 May statement of the NLFV Central Committee on recognition of the present frontiers between South Vietnam and Cambodia.

The DRV Government recognizes the said frontiers and pledges to respect them. The DRV Government is convinced that the strengthening of neighborly relations and the development of the friendship and mutual trust between Vietnam and Cambodia conform to the interests of the two countries and to (those of) the common struggle of the Indochinese people against the U.S. imperialist aggressors for the defense of their respective and sacred national rights and for the maintenance of peace in Indochina, Southeast Asia, and the world.

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