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[Text] Peking, May 26 (HSINHUA)--Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, head of state of Cambodia and chairman of the National United Front of Kampuchea, and Madame Norodom Sihanouk left here by special plane on May 25 for a friendly visit to the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam at the invitation of Ton Duc Thang, president of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam.

Accompanying Samdech Norodom Sihanouk were Samdech Penn Nouth, chairman of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the N.U.F.K. and Madame Penn Nouth; Princess Norodom Ket Kanya, aunt of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk; Dr Ngo Hou, member of the N.U.F.K. Central Committee and minister of public health, religious and social affairs of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, and Madame Ngo Hou; Thiounn Mumm, member of the Political Bureau of the N.U.F.K. Central Committee and minister of economy and finance of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia; Huot Sambath, member of the Political Bureau of the N.U.F.K. Central Committee, and minister of public works, tele-communications and reconstruction of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia; and others.

Seeing them off at the airport were Chou En-lai; premier of the State Council; Huang Yung-sheng, chief of the General Staff of the Chinese People's Liberation Army; Wu Fa-hsien, deputy chief of the General Staff of the P.L.A.; Li Hsien-nien, vice-premier of the State Council; and leading members of the organizations concerned Chi Peng-fei, Li Chiang, Kuang Jen-nung, Wu Teh, Ma Jen-hui, Lin Chia-mei and Tsao Ke-chiang.

At the airport were also:

Prince Norodom Yuvanath, son of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk; Sarin Chhak, member of the Political Bureau of the N.U.F.K. Central Committee and minister of foreign affairs of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia; Major General Duong Sam Ol, member of the Political Bureau of the N.U.F.K. Central Committee and minister of military equipment and armament of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, and Madame Duong Sam Ol; Madame Huot Sambath;

Ker Meas, ambassador of the Kingdom of Cambodia to China;

Bui Tan Linh, charge d'affaires ad interim of the Embassy of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam in China; and

Nguyen Van Quang, ambassador of the Republic of South Viet Nam to China.

Han Nien-lung, Chinese vice-foreign minister, and Han Hsu and Wang Chen, leading members of the departments concerned of the Foreign Ministry, are accompanying the distinguished Cambodian guests to the border. [For report on the arrival of the Cambodians in Hanoi, see the North Vietnam section of the 27 May Asia and Pacific DAILY REPORT.]