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III. SIHANOUK DECREE GIVES COMPOSITION
OF MILITARY HIGH COMMAND

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Following is a communique of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the National United Front of Cambodia and the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia:

On the occasion of the second anniversary of the founding of the National United Front of Cambodia and the Cambodian People's National Liberation Armed Forces and at the moment when the Cambodian people, the cadres and combatants of the CPNLAF are celebrating this anniversary with songs of victory, the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the NUFK and the RGNUC have the honour to make public their following decisions taken on the proposal of Mr. Khieu Samphan, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the NUFK, Vice-Prime Minister of the RGNUC, Minister of National Defense and Commander-in-Chief of the CPNLAF in the course of a joint special session presided over by Samdech Penn Nouth, Chairman of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the NUFK and Prime Minister of the RGNUC. These decisions have received the approbation of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State and Chairman of the NUFK.

1. By Decree No. 79 of March 23, 1972 of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State, the composition of the High Military Command of the CPNLAF is as follows:

Chairman: Mr. Khieu Samphan, Commander-in-Chief of the CPNLAF

Vice-Chairman: Mr. Saloth Sor, Chief of the Military Department of the Army

Vice-Chairman: Mr. Nuon Chea, Chief of the Political Department of the Army

Vice-Chairman: Mr. So Vanna, Deputy Chief of the Military Department of the Army

Members: Mr. Thieun Chhith, Chief of the Military Material Department,

Mr. Son Sen, Chief of the General Staff.

2. By Decree No. 80 of March 23, 1972 of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, Head of State, His Highness Norodom Phurissara is appointed Minister without Portfolio of the RGNUC.

3. The composition of the NUFK Committee of Phnom Penh, the capital, is as follows:

Director: His Highness Norodom Phurissara

Vice-Director: Dr. Thiounn Thioeun

Vice-Director: Madame Khieu Ponnary, Representative of Women

Members: Mr. Toch Phoeun, Public Works Engineer, Representative of State Functionaries

Mr. Phouk Chhay, Representative of Youth and Students

Mr. Nguon Eng, Representative of Workers

Mr. Ros Chet Thor, Representative of Writers and Journalists.

Peking, March 23, 1972