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Sihanouk Threatens To Seek Alliance With North Viet Nam

PHNOM PENH, CAMBODIA; Feb. 16 (AP).—Cambodian Chief of State Prince Norodom Sihanouk warned that if his proposed conference on the neutrality of Cambodia is not convened by the end of next May, Cambodia will sever relations with the United States and other countries opposing the convening of this conference.

Sihanouk, at a news conference held Saturday at the resort town of Kep, 160 kilometers (99.4 miles) South of here, disclosed a plan of action he said this country is determined to follow in case the conference is not convened by the end of May.

He said this will comprise recognition by this country of North Viet Nam and the signing of defensive military alliances with both Communist China and North V.N.

Sihanouk said Cambodia will take measures to protect its frontiers, including the building with Communist Chinese aid of two jet air bases on Cambodian soil.

Some press representatives were not invited to Sihanouk's press conference. Extracts of his declarations were made available Sunday by the government news agency Agence Khmere Presse.

Sihanouk said he had informed Britain's Foreign Minister R.A. Butler, co-chairman of the Geneva Conference, that "we are determined to sever, at the latest at the

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end of May, all ties with powers which would sabotage our project for the neutralization of Cambodia."

He added "I want to emphasize today: that if by the end of April the United States and her friends continue to refuse the conference we have asked to convene, I will send to Hanoi a government delegation to negotiate an accord recognizing our territorial integrity."

Sihanouk continued "if this accord is signed, we will establish immediately diplomatic ties with the government of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam which we will recognize as the government of all Viet Nam. If by the end of May the conference has not met, we will break our relations with the United States as well as with all other powers which will side with the United States."

Sihanouk said he will then go to Hanoi and Peking at the head of a delegation to negotiate a "pact of defensive military alliance" between Cambodia and these two countries.

Sihanouk, however, emphasized "we will not help North Viet Nam in its struggle against South Viet Nam and will not favor the Viet Cong but in case North Viet Nam is attacked, Cambodia will enter war at her (North Viet Nam's) side and vice versa" — meaning that North Viet Nam will come to Cambodia's help if she is attacked.

"In the meantime we must devote the greatest part of our effort to

the military field," he said. "We will stop for a year or two the execution of our second five-year plan except the projects now under way. We will create with (Communist) aid two air bases for jet aircraft... (at) Siem Reap, about 200 miles (320Km) North of here near Thailand and Svay Rieng is about 90 miles (140Km) Southeast of here near the South Viet Nam border."