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Ministry of Commerce

Brother Vorn វ៉ន

To Respected and Beloved Brother Hêm ហែម

Rith រិត 28/9

Number: 0578-77

Request to report to Brothers on a meeting and discussion with
Yugoslavian Ambassador on 27 September 1977 between 4:00 – 4:30 PM
at the Embassy of Yugoslavia

On the Kampuchea side: Comrades Rith រិត and Lamuth ឈុត “Translator”

On the Yugoslavian side: The Ambassador and his wife “French language assistant”

After mutual exchange of greetings and formalities between us and the
Ambassador and his wife, we raised for discussion the matter of Kampuchea proposing
the sell of products to Yugoslavia.

Our opinion: We proposed meeting the Ambassador today in order to request
information on the decision of the Yugoslavian Office of Reserve Food Supplies
regarding our letter dated 21 September 1977, to ask if there has been an agreement to
purchase our products. If there is an agreement to purchase, we will make preparations to
ship the cargo to the port in time for the departure of the Yugoslavian ship which will
arrive in our country in the near future.

The opinion of the Yugoslavian Ambassador:

We received the 21 September letter of proposal and reported by telegram to our
country. We await a response, and hope that it might be received tomorrow. As for the
Yugoslavian ship which is carrying cargo to Kampuchea, as we understand it, it departed
several days ago, and probably will arrive in Kampong Saom quickly, at the earliest at
the end of October, as this is a six week journey, not two or three weeks as we had
previously anticipated.

We wish to know if the Kampuchean side has any requests regarding the response
and explanation from the purchasing side, do you want the purchaser to respond by letter
or what? Furthermore, what is the minimum number of days which the Kampuchean side
required for transporting the merchandise to the Kampong Saom Port? Our second
question is not raised for the purpose of delay, we just wish to know.

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Our opinion:

We wish to express our thanks for Your Excellency's concern regarding the matters which we just raised. As for Your Excellency's questions, we wish to explain that the purchaser may respond by telegram as this is quicker than by letter. As for our transporting the cargo to Kampong Saom, we will require 10 to 15 days if there are now unusual obstacles.

Opinion of the Yugoslavian Ambassador:

We wish to express our thanks for the opinion and information of the Deputy Chairman of the Commerce Committee. We will send another telegram to our country tomorrow to remind them of the matters we discussed today.. We have the intention of having this work be successful in the near future.

After concluding the above discussion, we conversed regarding all the events and circumstances which have been carried out to foster solidarity between Kampuchea and Yugoslavia, both non-aligned countries. The meeting and discussions ended at 4:30 PM in an atmosphere of mutual friendship and mutual understanding.

Request Brothers accept this for your information and to provide instructions.

In revolutionary brotherhood,

[unsigned]

Done on 27 September 1977

The Commerce Committee

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