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LETTER OF SAMDECH NORODOM SIHANOUK TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF KAMPUCHEA

Phnom Penh, 7 January 1978

To the respected and beloved the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.

We are filled with inexpressible joy and pride at the great historic victory won by the

heroic Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea over the Vietnamese army of aggression.

We extend our warmest congratulations go to the Party and heroic combatants on all

fronts. We bow in deep respect to the heroic combatants and inhabitants who have

sacrificed themselves. For the wounded, we wish for a quick recovery so that they may

continue to victoriously to defend the nation, the Party and the revolutionary peasant and

workers' government.

In conclusion, we reiterate our firm support for the State of Democratic Kampuchea

under leadership of the just and legitimate Communist Party of Kampuchea, a state

whose land and maritime borders must be respected by Vietnam in accordance with that

country's declaration of 1966.

I ask the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea accept my highest

regards.

LETTER OF SAMDECH PENH NOUTH TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE STATE PRESIDIUM OF DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA

To the respected and beloved President of the State Presidium of Democratic Kampuchea

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We acknowledge receipt of your letter informing us of the great victory won by our brave and powerful revolutionary Army of Kampuchea and our great people under the able and wise leadership of the Communist Party of Kampuchea over the attacking Vietnamese Army whenever it has launched invasions and engaged in acts of aggression. On hearing this good news, we are overjoyed and so are our people and friends both near and afar around the world. Our sincerest congratulations go to the Communist Party of Kampuchea, the heroic people of Kampuchea, the brave and powerful Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea and all the cadres, and we urge them to quickly win further great victories until they totally free the sacred territory of Kampuchea of the Vietnamese enemy. Also, Democratic Kampuchea, under the leadership of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, will carry the glorious honour of being the combatant which annihilated Vietnam in its criminal designs to not only swallow up Kampuchea, but also to reign in South-East Asia as a major power.

Long Live the just and wise CPK!

Long Live the brave and powerful Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea!

Please accept, Dear President of the Presidium of State, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Phnom Penh, 6 January 1978

SPEECH BY COMRADE NUON CHEA, DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF KAMPUCHEA, PRESIDENT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF KAMPUCHEA AT THE WELCOME BANQUET HELD IN HONOUR OF COMRADE TENG YING-TCHAO, MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE PEOPLE'S NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

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(Phnom Penh, 18 January 1978)

Respected Comrade Vice-President TENG-YING-TCHAO, Dear Comrades and Friends,

Today, on behalf of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, the Assembly of People's Representatives of Kampuchea and the Government of Democratic Kampuchea, it is my great pleasure to express with our heartfelt feelings of revolutionary fraternity, respect and fondness, our warmest welcome to Comrade Vice-Chairman TENG YING-TCHAO and the other Chinese comrades on the occasion of their visit to Democratic Kampuchea.

Usually, we are delighted whenever we receive a visit by Chinese companions-in-arms, since our two parties, our people and our two countries, Kampuchea and China, enjoy a very close fraternal friendship as revolutionaries, and a very strong camaraderie. Today, it is our great pleasure to welcome Comrade Vice-Chairman TENG YING-TCHAO, not only in her capacity as a senior envoy of the eminent Chinese Communist Party, but also as the closest companion-in-arms of respected and beloved Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai.

Our Chinese comrades are well aware of our people's fondness and respect for Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai. Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai is a renowned proletarian revolutionary. Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai, a very close companion-in-arms of Chairman MAO, a noble and close companion-in-arms of the

people of Kampuchea. He has given us tremendous support in our struggle, and has actively supported the revolution in Kampuchea. In 1970, after the coup d'état launched by the American imperialists in a bid to overthrow independent, peaceful and neutral Kampuchea, and to attack the people of Kampuchea, Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai, on the instructions of Chairman MAO, was keen to lend his wholehearted support to the people of Kampuchea, who are under the leadership of the Communist Party of Kampuchea. Night and day, he spared no effort - physical, moral and intellectual - in his support for the cause of national liberation of the people of Kampuchea. While he was sick and hospitalized, Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai kept abreast of the struggle of the people of Kampuchea and gave instructions to ensure that the people of Kampuchea received full support at all times. Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai has always spoken with fondness and enthusiasm about the cadres, men and women combatants, the people of Kampuchea and the Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea. Following the overwhelming victory won by the people of Kampuchea on 17 April 1975, this illustrious, outstanding, world-renowned combatant of the people exhibited the type of vivid revolutionary sentiment and joy as that which was felt following the great victory won by the heroic people of China in 1949. Following our victory of 17 April 1975, we decided to invite the beloved and respect Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai to visit Kampuchea and see for himself the profound, fraternal revolutionary friendship the people of Kampuchea have for their brothers in China, and the feelings of fondness and gratitude for the good things Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai has done. During her visit, Comrade Vice-Chairman TENG YING-TCHAO will have the opportunity to see these deep sentiments for herself.

Also, we would like to seize the opportunity of her visit to express our gratitude to Comrade Vice-Chairman TENG YING TCHAO for all the efforts she and Comrade Premier CHOU EN LAI have made to support the people of Kampuchea in their revolutionary struggle.

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Fellow Comrades, dear friends

Comrade Vice-Chairman TENG YING TCHAO and the other Chinese comrades are here to visit Democratic Kampuchea and have brought good news of recent grand victories won by our brothers in China under the able leadership of the Communist Party of China with Chairman HOUA KOUO-FENG as their leader, in the revolution and the building of socialism under the outstanding guidance of the people and in accordance with the brilliant line of the people's revolution of Comrade Chairman MAO, a great leader and great teacher of the Chinese people. Since the elimination of the Gang of Four, the revolutionary movement has gathered momentum. The mass movements aimed at learning about agriculture from the Tatchai brigade, and about industry from Taching brigade are progressing by leaps and bounds and are achieving outstanding results. Judging from the tremendous progress made by these movements, we believe that the people of China will accomplish their mission in the four areas of modernization advocated by Comrade Prime Minister Chou En-Lai under the wise guidance of Chairman Comrade Chairman HOUA and the 11th Congress of the Communist Party of China. By the end of this century, China will be a modern socialist country, with modern agriculture, modern industry, advanced science and technology and will have modern and powerful capabilities in terms of national defense. We are confident that the 5th People's National Assembly, which is due to convene in the spring, will develop and enhance the strength, unity and oneness of the people of China as a whole and will bring new impetus in the struggle in step with the line of Chairman MAO, under the able and wise leadership of the Communist Party of China, led by Comrade Chairman HOUA. We are greatly pleased to note the excellent situation with regard to the revolution and the building of socialism in China, and it is our hope that our brothers in China, our comrades-in-arms, will win further resounding victories.

Fellow comrades and dear friends

The visit of Comrade Vice-Chairman TENG YING-TCHAO to Democratic Kampuchea is a great encouragement to the our people, a people who, under the able and wise

leadership of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, are successfully performing the task of defending Democratic Kampuchea, and are forging ahead with the socialist revolution and the building of socialism, with an elevated fighting spirit and firm determination, and are holding on fast to the position of independence, sovereignty, counting on their own forces and controlling their own destiny.

This visit comes at a time when the entire Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea and the people of Kampuchea as a whole are standing as one man under the leadership of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, and are steadfast in their resolve to forge ahead with the struggle, are always alert in their revolutionary vigilance and are fighting to accomplish with determination their three tasks: namely, national defence, the furtherance of the socialist revolution and the building of socialism. With regard to national defence, we have overcome and are still overcoming obstacles, and are fighting to successfully retain our sacred land, and we are fully in control of the situation. With regard to nation building, in particular rice production in 1977, we have achieved 100% success in the plan to produce 3 tons per hectare and 6 tons per hectare. We must keep up our revolutionary vigilance and overcome other obstacles in order to gain better control of the situation in our effort to ensure national defence, build our country quickly and improve our people's standards of living.

The people of Kampuchea aspires to live in peace, independence, freedom and honour and national dignity, as master of its country and to build a society in accordance with its profound aspirations and a line of its choosing. Our people have a strong and genuine sense of patriotism. They have never sought to harm anyone, and neither do they have any interest in doing so. The people of Kampuchea are deeply resolved and determined to have close and friendly relations with all countries, far and wide, on the strict basis of the principle of mutual respect, territorial integrity, non-interference in other countries' internal affairs, non-aggression, equality, reciprocity and in accordance with a policy of independence, peace, non-alignment, as stipulated in the Constitution of the Democratic Kampuchea. Nonetheless, the people of Kampuchea are resolved to fight against any subversive activities, attempted coup d'état, against any act aimed at encroaching on its

territory along the border, against any acts of aggression and annexation launched from outside its borders.

Fellow comrades and dear friends

We are confident that the visit of Comrade Vice-Chairman TENG YING-TCHAO will further develop and strengthen the militant solidarity and great revolutionary friendship between our two parties, our peoples and our two countries, Kampuchea and China. We wish to thank Comrade Vice-Chairman TENG YING-TCHAO and our other Chinese comrades for coming to visit our country and affording the people of Kampuchea and China the opportunity to encourage one another and to once again renew their strong militant solidarity and deep friendship, with great fondness and empathy, as both brothers and companions-in-arms.

It is with these sentiments of joy that we now propose a toast:

- To the complete success of the visit by Comrade TENG YING-TCHAO!
- To the development, accomplishment and nurturing of militant solidarity and close fraternal revolutionary friendship between our two parties, our two peoples and our two countries!
- To the health and long life of Comrade Chairman HOUA!
- To the health of Comrade Vice-Chairman TENG YING-TCHAO, wishing her a pleasant stay in Democratic Kampuchea!
- To the health of all comrades and friends here present!

SPEECH BY COMRADE TENG YING-TCHAO, MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE PEOPLE'S NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, AT THE BANQUET HOSTED IN HER HONOUR BY COMRADE NUON CHEA, DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF KAMPUCHEA CENTRAL COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY OF KAMPUCHEA

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(Phnom Penh, 18 January 1978)

Respected Comrade Secretary POL POT,
Respected Comrade Deputy-Secretary NUON CHEA,
Respected Comrade Vice-Prime Minister IENG SARY,
Respected Comrade Vice-Prime Minister VON VET,
Respected Comrades leaders of Kampuchea,
Fellow comrades

It is with great emotion and deep gratitude that, at the invitation of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, the Standing Committee of the Kampuchea Assembly of Representatives and the Government of Democratic Kampuchea, I have the great pleasure and honour to pay a visit of friendship to the new Kampuchea, this beautiful country which possesses an ancient culture and abundant natural resources, a country which, having won a resounding victory in its war of liberation, has now embarked on the revolution and on building socialism. I am at a loss for the words to express the feelings I have on this occasion. First of all, let me take this opportunity to recognize the Communist Party of Kampuchea and its leader, Comrade POL Pot, and the Government of Democratic Kampuchea, as well as the Standing Committee of the Assembly of Representative of the people of Kampuchea! Allow me to also convey my fraternal, revolutionary greetings to the heroic people of Kampuchea!

During the years when the revolutionary war was raging in Kampuchea, I was looking forward to coming to your country as a companion-in-arms. Now that you have crushed American imperialism, you have embarked on the revolution and on building socialism. In this new period of profound change, my long-standing desires have finally been realised. It as a student that I have come to your heroic country in order to learn from you, so my study visit will thus further contribute to understanding one another and to enhancing our friendship, a close fraternal friendship, based on Marxism-Leninism and International-Proletariat, and has supported you in the long, hard struggle. As we have stated time and again, we will fight by your side, we will remain united and will triumph together. This has been brilliantly proved through the struggle. We are immensely proud of this noble, prized friendship, which, I am confident, will continue to grow from generation to generation.

Under the wise leadership of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, led by Comrade POL POT, the heroic people of Kampuchea, standing as one man, have defied sacrifices, advanced in successive waves, fought bravely and overcome many an obstacle; in the end, they have crushed American imperialism and its lackey, namely the Lon Nol clique of traitors, by taking a popular war to them, and, thanks the power of the gun, have created an unassailable Democratic Kampuchea. With your resounding victory you have set a great example for the revolutionary peoples of the world, and proved that a small country can repel an attack by a big country, and that a weak country can defeat a powerful country. After liberating the entire country, you are continuing to stand by the principles of independence, autonomy and confidence in your strengths, are forging forward with the fearless revolutionary heroism that drove you in the years of war, you are firmly safeguarding national independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity, and are working hard to reinforce the edits of the proletariat, and are thus victoriously defending the newly established revolutionary regime. Thanks to momentum you have gathered and the spirit of abnegation, you are enthusiastically poised to make a giant leap forward towards industrial and agricultural production. It is remarkable, in particular, that you have managed, for the most part, to overcome the food shortage within such a short period of time; this is a highly significant victory. You have been very actively involved

on the world scene, strengthening your friendship with the peoples of the world, and and mutual understanding. We celebrate, from the bottom of our hearts, each of your victories and view them with a great deal of admiration. Our heartfelt congratulations go to our comrades in Kampuchea. Your revolutionary spirit and your numerous valuable experiences deserve to be carefully studied by us. The Communist Party of Kampuchea is an outstanding Marxist-Leninist party, which skilfully combines the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the way it is actually practiced in Kampuchea and to lead the people to victory both in war and nation building; it is also a robust party, which is firmly committed to its principles and is at the forefront in the war against imperialism, colonialism and hegemonic agendas. We are confident that that with the wise line adopted the Communist Party of Kampuchea, the people and the Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea will win further and greater victories in the sacred cause, that of building and defending the country.

As we begin the New Year, it is with tremendous joy that I say to the comrades that since the Gang of Four was smashed over a year ago, the situation in China is outstanding. We have already won a first victory with regard to executing our strategy, by focusing on class struggle in everything we do in order to ensure order throughout the country; the whole of China has a new look, and there is excitement in every place that enjoys stability, unity and the unstoppable march forward. Under the guidance of the Party's Central Committee, headed by the clairvoyant Chairman Houa, the people of China are carrying high Chairman Mao's big flag, they are resolutely pursuing implementation of the line adopted by the Party's 11th Congress, and are sparing no effort in transforming China into a major powerful and modern Socialist State.

Dear Comrades,

China is a socialist country. We take the view that the five principles: mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, mutual non-aggression, mutual non-interference in each other's internal affairs, equality and reciprocal benefits, and peaceful co-existence; these are the basic principles that all countries in the world, including socialist countries,

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must abide by in dealing with state-to-state matters. Democratic Kampuchea is an independent, sovereign country. The people of Kampuchea remain firmly committed to the five principles of peaceful co-existence and are defending the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of their country, which is a just cause, for which it has the sympathy and support of people the world over.

The Chinese of both China and Kampuchea and the two peoples have always exhibited respect, solicitude, support, aid and encouragement, thus forming a close revolutionary friendship in the struggle against imperialism, colonialism and hegemonic agendas, as well as in the socialist revolution and the building of socialism. It is my sincere wish that our friendship will continue to grow with stronger and flow eternally like the Yangtse and the Mekong rivers, that it will remain strong as a rock and shine for generation to generation, like the Great Wall and the Angkor monuments.

In concluding, let me once again, express my sincere gratitude to you Mr. NUON CHEA, for the kind words and your great esteem for Comrade CHOU EN-LAI. As a revolutionary combatant of the proletariat, Comrade CHOU EN-LAI, following the instructions of Chairman MAO, has done what he was expected of him to serve the revolutionary cause of Kampuchea and Sino-Kampuchea friendship.

I now propose a toast:

Here is:

- To the revolutionary fraternal friendship and militant unity between the Chinese and Kampuchean Parties, the two States and the two peoples,
- To the prosperity of Democratic Kampuchea,
- To the health and long life of Comrade POL POT,

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- To the health of Comrade Deputy-Secretary NUON CHEA,
- To the health of Comrade Vice-Prime Minister IENG SARY,
- To the health of Comrade Vice-Prime Minister VON VET,
- To the health of all the comrades here present!

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