Statute of the Communist Youth League of Kampuchea

"CYLK"



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Fundamental principle and basic political stance of the "CYLK" in the new phase

of socialist revolution and the building of socialism

1-Our Kampuchea Revolutionary Youth Organization is called "The Communist Youth League of Kampuchea", "hereinafter CYLK"

2- The "CYLK" is the right hand of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, which is the main supportive force for all tasks of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.

Therefore, the "CYLK" are the persons who must very actively apply the political line, policies, and various decisions of the Party within the crowds of the youths, Kampuchean workers-peasants, and the general Kampuchean population and workers-peasants, on all kinds of tasks.

- 3- The "CYLK" is under the direct leadership of Communist Party of Kampuchea.
- 4-The true nature of the "CYLK" consists of two important things which are:

The Proletariat Nature and the Leading Forward Nature.

A-The Proletariat Nature

- -The Proletariat Nature of the Party is the nature of the worker class, that sacrifices everything and owns nothing, and has no material possession, authority possession, and view and ideology possession.
- -Highly respect the organization, which is to respect the organizational discipline absolutely and consciously.
- -Have the high spirit of the proletariat on the collectivity.
- -Do labour work more than other persons on the production, and progressively make more inventions.

B-The Leading Forward Nature

The Leading Forward Nature of the Party is that being brave, sharp, alert, and most combative in applying the political line, policies, and various decisions of the Party for all kinds of tasks, which include defending and building the country (military, politics, economy, culture, social affairs, protection, messenger, transportation, and various techniques etc...) in all battlefields, whether it is easy or difficult, unreluctantly, based

on the heroic stance of the proletariat.

Based on these two solid Natures, the "CYLK" is the force for pushing the movement to defend and build the country vigorously at present, and to firmly take on the revolution destiny to the future.

5-The strategic stance of the "CYLK":

Following the stance of the Party's new strategy at present, after the National Democratic Revolution was finally and totally completed and a big step of the socialist revolution has been achieved, the socialist revolution must be continued to the end and socialism shall be built in Kampuchea until communism is attained in Kampuchea in the future.

Within the framework of this strategy, the "CYLK" shall protect the results of the revolution, defend the country well, and build the country well.

6- The "CYLK" shall study and adhere to the political stance, ideology, and organization of Communist Party of Kampuchea, taking them as their basic view which is based on the principle, theory, and practice of the Kampuchea revolution situation.

The "CYLK" is armed and adhering to the correct and solid proletarian world view and life view; and is against the world view and life view of the non-proletariat and the revolution of the second-capitalist, capitalist, feudalist, and imperialist.

7- The "CYLK" maintains a firm view of the mass people, and grasps the mass line firmly. [It] is confident with the forces of the mass and worker-peasant, and constantly going along with the revolutionary struggle movement of the mass, worker-peasant, union, cooperative, and the revolutionary army.

The "CYLK" is absolutely against the isolationism, mandarin-ism, bureaucracy-ism, authoritarianism, and militarism.

- 8- The "CYLK" respects and applies absolute democratic centralism. Must have the high spirit of respecting the organizational discipline consciously. Must have the high spirit of revolutionary vigilance and secrets, counter all enemy destructive activities and tricks, and protect the "CYLK", the Party, revolution, and worker-peasant people.
- 9- The "CYLK" uses the criticism-self criticism regime as the means for doing internal re-education, eliminating flaws and promoting merits, and making the "CYLK" to move constantly fast.
- 10- The "CYLK" firmly adheres to the stance of independent-mastery and self reliance, and absolutely takes control over its own revolutionary destiny in all sectors and circumstances.

11- The "CYLK" firmly adheres and absolutely applies the proletarian patriotism and proletarian internationalism, and using the proletarian patriotism as the base.

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Chapter I

About the "CKYL" members

<u>Article 1:</u> All youth workers and peasants, who are Kampucheans from 17 to 30 years old are eligible to become the member of the "CYLK", and shall have the necessary qualifications as follows:

A-Being the progressive people, who are the workers-peasants striving and working actively to fulfil the tasks outstandingly within the great movements of the mass, worker-peasant, union, cooperative, and the revolutionary army etc...

B-Having a good class pedigree, which is the pure class, especially, the firm the revolutionary class stance, which one has developed continuously in the revolutionary movements under the leadership of the Party.

C-Must have the clean morals for living, and be politically clean with no involvement with the enemy.

D- Those who will be recruited into the "CYLK" organization shall be examined and questioned, and mass's opinion shall be asked, regarding their life and work in the union, cooperative, military or other units.

E-The biography must be clear, and the questions to be asked should be specifically about their birthplace, place of residence, and working place.

F-There must be multiple levels of Party organization to collectively examine, deliberate, and decide before permission to join the "CYLK" organization can be granted.

-For the base:

Three levels of the Party Organization must collectively examine, deliberate, and decide, that is:

- Branch
- District Party Committee
- Sector Party Committee

-For the Army:

<u>-The Regular Army of the Centre:</u> Four levels of Party organization must collectively examine, deliberate and decide, that is:

- Company Branch
- Battalion Party Committee
- Regiment Party Committee
- Brigade Party Committee

<u>-The Regular Army of the Zone:</u> Four levels of Party organization must collectively examine, deliberate and decide, that is:

- Company Branch
- Battalion Party Committee
- Regiment Party Committee
- Brigade Party Committee

<u>- Sector Army:</u> Four levels of Party organization must collectively examine, deliberate and decide, that is:

- Company Branch
- Battalion Party Committee
- Regiment Party Committee
- Brigade Party Committee or Sector Party Committee

<u>Note:</u> Some zone unit and sector units which have not yet organized large military units must havethree levels of Party organization to collectively examine, deliberate and decide, that is:

- Company Branch
- Battalion Party Committee or District Party Committee
- Regiment Party Committee or Sector Party Committee

<u>-D</u>istrict, Commune, and Village Militias: There must be three levels of Party organization to collectively examine, deliberate and decide, that is:

- -Militia Unit Branch, or Base Branch
- District Party Committee
- Sector Party Committee

-Various Offices and Ministries surrounding the Central Committee:

There must be three levels of Party organization to collectively examine, deliberate and decide, that is:

- Branch
- Office Party Committee, or Ministry Party Committee
- Inspection Committee of the Organization Committee of the Party Central Committee

<u>-Offices and ministries in the zones and sectors and other bases:</u> There must be three levels of Party organization to collectively examine, deliberate and decide, that is:

- Branch
- Office or Ministry Party Committee or Sector Party Committee
- Inspection Committee of the Zone Party Committee

-Monitoring, Inspection, and New CYLK Member Induction Organization: Must have the following levels collectively decide, that is:

-For the base:

- Branch
- District Party Committee

-For the Regular Army:

- Company Branch
- Battalion Party Committee
- Regiment Party Committee

-For other Offices and Ministries:

- Branch
- Office or Ministry Party Committee

Article 2: The process of the joining ceremony for the newly recruited members into the "CYLK":

-Pledging allegiance to the Party flag

-Taking an oath by pledging as follows: "In front of the Party flag, I pledge my loyalty to the Party, to the "CYLK", and to the worker class, and vow to make the revolutionary struggle and serve the Party, the "CYLK", the revolution, the worker class, and the worker-peasant people for the whole life".

About the tasks of "CYLK" members

<u>Article 3:</u> Every "CYLK" member shall have the following tasks:

1-The tasks within the mass are:

A-To propagandize and educate the mass and worker-peasant youths about the politics, ideology, and organization of the Party; and work directly and closely with the mass, worker-peasant youths in the union, cooperative and revolutionary army. Must be highly responsible to the mass, serving them wholeheartedly and unconditionally. Must be polite to the mass and striving to learn from them.

B-To promote the mass movement, especially within the mass, youth, and worker-peasant in the union, cooperative, and revolutionary army ardently and constantly, to defend the country and build the Democratic Kampuchea in the direction of socialist revolution and the building of socialism of the Party.

2-The "CYLK" internal tasks are:

A-There shall be a regular livelihood regime of the "CYLK" Group organization once in every half month. Every member of the "CYLK", regardless whatever role one is in, shall be in a "CYLK" Group, and hold group livelihood meeting on a regular basis.

B-Respecting the organizational disciplines of the "CYLK" unconditionally and consciously.

C-Striving to build up the political, ideological, and organizational stances of the Party more profoundly and firmly in order to apply political, ideological, and organizational lines of the Party better and more effectively always.

D-Striving to keep, strengthen and expand the internal solidarity-unity of the "CYLK" so that it is always absolutely good.

E-Striving to keep confidential about the "CYLK" absolutely with the high and constant revolutionary vigilance stance.

F-Striving to apply the criticism and self criticism regime and examine the revolutionary life view regime correctly, seriously and actively in order to build own self and internal "CYLK" well and to become a good and active role model; and constantly attack to defend the country and build Democratic Kampuchea in the direction of socialist revolution and the building of socialism of the Party.

G-Must have the stance of the proletarian patriotism and proletarian internationalism which is based on the correct and firm stance of proletarian patriotism.

H-Striving to learn the culture, technology, and science in order to improve the ability to defend the country and build the Democratic Kampuchea more progressively and effectively in the direction of socialist revolution and the building of socialism of the Party.

About the rights of "CYLK" members

Article 4: Every "CYLK" member has the following rights:

A-To consult, discuss and participate in making the decision on all "CYLK" issues in accordance with the principles of democratic centralism.

B-To run as a candidate to be selected by others; and select others people into the leadership organization of the "CYLK".

C-To be taken care by and shall receive all kinds of supports and educations from the Party and the "CYLK" in order to build themselves to become a good revolutionary youth.

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Chapter II

About the "CYLK" Group

<u>Article 5:</u> The basic organization of the "CYLK" is the "CYLK" Group. This "CYLK" Group goes up straight to the Party branch on site.

<u>Article 6:</u> Each factory, cooperative, military company unit, work camp, ministry and office can organize the "CYLK" Group if they have three members and more.

For the group that has 3 to 8 members, they shall select a group chief and a deputy to lead the Group daily work.

For the group that has 9 members and more, they shall select a committee to lead the group.

If it is necessary for the work, they can organize the "CYLK" subgroup.

About the tasks of the "CYLK" Group

Article 7: The "CYLK" Group has two tasks as follows:

1-The tasks within the mass

To propagandize and educate the mass and worker-peasant youths with the practical plan and program on site such as in the factory, cooperative, and army in order to carry out the revolutionary activity vigorously and to defend the country and build the

Democratic Kampuchea in the direction of socialist revolution and the building of socialism of the Party.

2-The "CYLK" internal tasks are:

A-Constantly educate and build up the members with politic, ideology, and organization, which is based on the tasks of country defence and building Democratic Kampuchea and the stance of the Party's class struggle for doing socialist revolution and the building of socialism.

B-Grasping the organization firmly by strengthening, expanding and screening the members within own group.

- -Managing the members' tasks within the mass, worker-peasant youths, factory, cooperative, and revolutionary army actively, profoundly and constantly in order to promote the hot revolutionary movement constantly in accordance with the political line for defending the country and building the Democratic Kampuchea in the direction of socialist revolution and the building of socialism of the Party.
 - -Applying Group livelihood regularly and seriously once in every 15 days.
- -Taking control over the Group properties, applying discipline within the Group, and making the report about the Group works and situation to the upper echelon regularly etc...

<u>Article 8:</u> The Group shall hold an assembly regularly once in every three months in order to:

- 1-Examine and evaluate the activities of the Group, looking seriously and profoundly into its merits and shortcomings.
- 2-Assign new works accordingly to the Party line. Assign the clear work plan within the mass and the clear internal works of the Group within own Group framework.
- 3-Select new committee of the group. (This is subject to be examined, judged, and approved by the Party Branch Committee and the Party District Committee).

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Chapter III

About the organizational principles of the "CYLK"

<u>Article 9:</u> The organizational principles of the "CYLK" are based on the democratic centralism which is as follows:

- 1-Each person can have all kinds of opinions and discussions before the collectivity makes the decision.
- -After the collectivity decided, it becomes the opinion of Angkar which every one must absolutely respect.
 - -The leadership organization is selected by the collectivity.
 - 2-To respect the Angkar organization based on the following principles:
 - -Individual respects organization
 - -Low rank respects upper rank
 - -Minority respects majority
 - -The collectivity leads, individual is responsible separately
 - -There is a reporting regime

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Chapter IV

About the discipline

Article 10:

-The discipline of the "CYLK" is the discipline to be respected and applied by the members consciously.

Based on that, it is the firm and absolute discipline.

-Any member or committee who can actively and correctly apply the Statute and political program of the "CYLK" as well as the tasks and rights of the "CYLK" members will be promoted to the appropriate level according to their merits.

-Any member or committee, who infringes on or violates or damages the Statute of the "CYLK" and the political, ideological and organizational lines of the Party, shall be criticized, warned, or receiving light or serious measures according to the offenses committed.

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