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The Mission of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia to France presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of the French Republic and has the honour to transmit to it the attached press release from the Ministry of Propaganda and Information of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia, dated 10 May 1975, concerning the departure of foreigners from Kampuchea.

The Mission of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia to France avails itself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of its highest consideration to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the French Republic.

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What kind of humanitarian dropped atomic bombs to exterminate the people of Hiroshima and Nagasaki; waged the war of aggression in Vietnam; carried out the coup d'etat in Chile and massacred Chilean patriots and people; instigated the coup d'etat against independent, peaceful and neutral Cambodia in 1970; launched the war of aggression against Cambodia and so forth? How many people did it kill in Cambodia alone? Before the 1970 coup d'etat hundreds and thousands of Cambodians at Ta (?Ky), (Tralok Bek), (Thongork), Anlong Kroeus, Chantrea, (Deklam) and so on were killed by the U.S. imperialists. Hundreds of thousands of other Cambodians were killed during the 1970 coup and countless numbers during the U.S. imperialist war of aggression against Cambodia. According to preliminary figures, during the 5 years of the U.S. imperialists' war of aggression in Cambodia, nearly 600,000 Cambodians were killed and 600,000 wounded, maimed or disabled. This included children, women, the old and young, monks and laymen. During the 6-month U.S. imperialist air war, which lasted from early February to mid-August 1973, entire villages were destroyed and nearly 200,000 people killed, wounded or crippled for life; several big cities were razed and reduced to ashes; and paddy fields, orchards, gardens, carts plows and monasteries were disintegrated.

Is this a humanitarian act by U.S. imperialism? U.S. imperialism is nothing but the bloodiest supermurderer of the Cambodian and world people in the history of mankind. Now it pretends to speak about being humanitarian!

Since crushing U.S. imperialism's war of aggression, the Cambodian nation and people have strictly adhered to the political line of independence, neutrality and nonalignment. We have no desire to harass, provoke or attack the United States or any other country, near or far. However, we will absolutely not allow U.S. imperialism, its allies or its hirelings to carry out subversive or sabotage activities against the Cambodian nation and people or to make dishonest propaganda to mock at or spurn the Cambodian nation and people with impunity. We will resolutely defend and preserve our independence, neutrality, sovereignty, territorial integrity, resources, production and national honor.

Regarding the American people and youth who love peace and justice, we will always have respect, affection and friendship for them.

We are confident that the world peoples and all friendly countries far and near, including the peace- and justice-loving American people and youth, will absolutely not believe the dishonest propaganda of U.S. imperialism and its allies--which are well known for always resorting to their propaganda apparatus to conceal their interference, aggression, subversion and sabotage against innocent nations and peoples in the world.

Phnom Penh, 10 May 1975, Hu Nim, minister of information and propaganda and RGNUC spokesman.

INFORMATION MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE ON DEPARTURE OF FOREIGNERS

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[10 May RGNUC Information and Propaganda ministry press communique--read by announcer]

[Text] At a time when the CPNLF was launching the offensive around and on Phnom Penh, the RGNUC repeatedly appealed almost daily to all foreign embassies, foreign journalists and foreign nationals either accredited to the regime of the traitorous clique or living within its framework to end their relations with the traitors and withdraw from Cambodia in time. A large number of foreign embassies, journalists and nationals thus left Cambodia. However, some foreign embassy staff, journalists and nationals did depart.

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Now, the way in which these foreigners used to have contacts with the traitorous regime and live and cooperate with the traitorous clique and regime has ended. Accordingly, after the liberation of Phnom Penh, the RGNUC asked these foreigners to leave Cambodia for the time being. Later, the RGNUC may or may not restore diplomatic relations or commercial and trade relations with their countries and may or may not allow them to return. This will depend on the concrete attitude and position of each of their countries and themselves toward Cambodia and the Cambodian people on the basis of respect for Cambodia's independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity and for the honor of the Cambodian nation and people, and on the basis of equality, mutual respect, reciprocal benefit, noninterference in the internal affairs of each country as well as nonaggression.

After we asked these foreigners to leave Cambodia for the time being we did our best to help them and transport them to a place where their governments or friends could meet them and provide them safe exit from Cambodia. We did this despite the fact that we are extremely busy solving the problems of our people's livelihood, which we must urgently solve after more than 5 years of suffering caused by U.S. imperialism's war of destruction. We did this despite the fact that we are experiencing difficulties in providing the means of transportation and that all communication lines, such as overland routes, waterways and air routes, have either been badly damaged or destroyed.

This clearly shows our lofty morals and justice. If asked, the conscience of those foreigners we just escorted out of Cambodia would not allow them to answer otherwise. In the state we are in, lacking all and needing everything, we still sincerely provided them escort. This demonstrates that our morals are good.

However, the U.S. imperialists and their allies have used their propaganda apparatus to distort this truth in order to pursue their opposition to the Cambodian nation and people. This stems from their aggressive, ferocious nature and their ugly resentment toward the Cambodian nation and people as well as toward all world countries and peoples who love peace, independence, sovereignty and national honor. Therefore, we are confident that world public opinion will absolutely not believe the faithless propaganda of the U.S. imperialists and their allies, who have falsified this story as part of their opposition to the Cambodian nation and people.

Phnom Penh, 10 May 1975, RGNUC Information and Propaganda Ministry.

SIHANOUK URGES ASEAN MEMBERS, JAPAN TO LEAVE 'U.S. CAMP'

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[Text] Peking, May 11 (AFP)--Prince Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia said here today that relations between the new authorities in Phnom Penh on the one hand and Japan and the members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the other will be normalised only when the latter leave the "American imperialist camp." In a telegram addressed to the director of the Cambodian-Japanese Friendship Association, the text of which was published here, Prince Sihanouk said "a wide and deep ditch" separated the two sides. It would be filled in "only when these countries have stopped being pro-imperialist and have become truly Third-World, if not nonaligned countries."