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**Respectfully submitted to
Comrade Brother Pol**



We would like to report the removal of people from the East to the North in which there were some disagreements and the failure to follow the Organization's advice and instructions at the receiving destinations where phenomena occurred as follows:

- On 30 November both sides agreed to receive people handed over by the East in Preah [or Preaek] Prasab and Stung Trang, which would respectively receive those from Chhloung district, and those from Peam Chileang and Krouch Chhmar districts. The sector and districts had collected the number of people who needed to be removed from Sector 21 and ferried them to the other riversides. The two destinations categorically rejected the receipt of Muslim people, but accepted only pure Khmers. Therefore, the people who needed to be removed on 30 [November] were in a state of chaos.
- I immediately advised the sector and districts to suspend [the mass removals] temporarily pending advice from you and the North Zone. This matter might not have been known to Comrade Pauk? I instructed the sector and the districts to take the Muslim people back to their home villages. The meeting decided that Brothers and Sisters must not send Muslim people to Kratie. The Northwest and the North must accept them in order to separate the Muslim population from the banks of the Mekong River so that the environment would ease off to some extent. By contrast, Brothers and Sisters did not make such acceptances. You are requested to decide on this matter.
- In principle the [East] Zone removed fifty thousand [50,000] people to be handed over to the North. In this regard, the remaining Muslim people in the East Zone would amount to more than one hundred thousand [100,000]. We made such removals only from important areas along the river and the border, but not from

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Tboung Khmom district. The removals in principle entailed separations in accordance with your advice as per your previous discussions with us. However, if the North disagrees to accept them, we are still willing to continue our endeavour to grasp the Muslim people—no problem.

Nevertheless, the number of the people far from amounts to one hundred and fifty thousand (150,000) if the North Zone does not accept the Muslim people.

We respectfully wish you good health and success.

30 November 1975

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<p><i>Investigators</i> <i>[Signatures]</i></p>