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*SIHANOUK CAUTION ON  
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RULES OUT NEGOTIATIONS.*

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RHMIAAA/13AF (IN) CLARK AB PHILIPPINES  
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PRINCE SIHANOUK: RED KHMER STRATEGY IS WAR OF ATTRITION

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((TEXT)) HONG KONG, 21 MARCH (AFP)--THE LON NOL REGIME MAY LAST ANOTHER THREE MONTHS, SIX MONTHS OR A YEAR, PRINCE NORODOM SIHANOUK, HEAD OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNION OF CAMBODIA (RGNUC), TOLD THE HONG KONG-BASED FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC REVIEW ((FEER)).

THIS IS SO, HE SAID, BECAUSE THE STRATEGY OF THE RED KHMER FORCES IS "NOT TO BRING OUR OFFENSIVES DIRECTLY ON PHNOM PENH BUT RATHER TO LEAD A WAR OF ATTRITION".

IN AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW PUBLISHED HERE TODAY, THE SELF-EXILED LEADER ALSO REAFFIRMED THAT "WE REFUSE, AND SHALL REFUSE, ANY NEGOTIATION" WITH THE LON NOL GOVERNMENT, OR ANY "LAOS TYPE" SOLUTION.

"HENRY KISSINGER, WHO IS VERY INTELLIGENT, KNOWS WHAT TO BELIEVE ON THIS MATTER," SAID SIHANOUK, BUT BEING ALSO "VERY MACHIAVELLIAN," HE MANAGES TO DECEIVE PRESIDENT FORD AND OTHERS INTO THINKING THAT THE RGNUC MAY ACCEPT SOMETHING LESS THAN "DEFEAT AND UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER IN THE NOT-TOO-DISTANT FUTURE" OF THE LON NOL SIDE.

WHEN THIS OCCURS, "THESE TRAITORS"--WITH THE EXCEPTION OF LON NOL AND SIX OTHER "SUPER-TRAITORS"--WILL BE OFFERED AMNESTY, SIHANOUK TOLD HIS INTERVIEWER. THE SEVEN SUPER-VILLAINS, IF CAUGHT, "WILL BE HANGED."

"I DARE HOPE," HE SAID, THAT THE REGIME THAT WILL TAKE THEIR PLACE WILL BE "SUFFICIENTLY LIBERAL," AND "THE RED KHMER LEADERS HAVE EVEN LET ME KNOW VERY RECENTLY THAT THE CAMBODIA OF THE NUFC (NATIONAL UNITED FRONT OF CAMBODIA) WILL NOT BE COMMUNIST."

THEY ALSO ASKED HIM TO REMAIN HEAD OF STATE FOR LIFE, HE NOTED, BUT HE WOULD ACCEPT THE POST TO "LOOK AFTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS" ONLY, LEAVING THE ACTUAL RUNNING OF THE COUNTRY TO THE RED KHMERS.

THE NEW REGIME WILL BE SOCIALIST, COMBINING THE RIGHT TO PRIVATE (BUT NOT FOREIGN) OWNERSHIP WITH COLLECTIVISATION, AND RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WILL BE GUARANTEED, THE FEER WAS TOLD. 01143  
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