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SIHANOUK SAYS U.S. GOVERNMENT REFUSES TO TALK WITH HIM

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(BY PIERRE COMPARET)

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(EXCERPT) PEKING, 13 FEB--PRINCE NORODOM SIHANOUK SAID
TUESDAY IN A TELEGRAM ADDRESSED TO A U.S. NEWSPAPER THAT THE
WAR WILL CONTINUE IN CAMBODIA AS A RESULT OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT'S
REFUSAL TO MEET WITH HIM OR TO HOLD TALKS WITH HIS GOVERNMENT.

THE TELEGRAM STATES: KISSINGER AND I WILL NOT MEET EITHER IN
HONG KONG OR IN CHINA. PRINCE SIHANOUK SENT A COPY OF THE TELEGRAM
TO THIS AFP CORRESPONDENT ON TUESDAY.

THE HEAD OF THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT OF THE NATIONAL UNION OF CAMBODIA
(RGNUC) ADDED: THE U.S. GOVERNMENT REFUSES TO HOLD ANY MEETING
WITH ME OR ANY TALKS WITH MY GOVERNMENT. UNDER THESE CONDITIONS, THE
WAR IN CAMBODIA WILL CONTINUE.

THE TELEGRAM WAS SENT FROM HAIKOW IN THE PROVINCE OF KWANGTUNG
(THE PROVINCIAL CAPITAL IS CANTON) WHERE THE PRINCE IS MAKING AN
OFFICIAL VISIT FOLLOWING HIS RETURN FROM HANOI LAST WEEK.

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