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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger
(Signed) HK
SUBJECT: Actions on Cambodia

The following is a report on actions taken or underway on Cambodia from September 8 through 12 midnight, September 14.

Military Operations:

-- Ground. Enemy harassment of defensive positions continues. GOC Naval forces opened the water route from Kompong Chhnang to Kompong Thom on 9 September. The clearing operation started last week has met stiff resistance north of Skoun and is stalled pending the arrival of reinforcements.

-- Air:

| | <u>U. S.</u> | <u>VNAF</u> |
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| TACAIR | 329 | 229 |
| Reconnaissance | 218 | 21 |

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Military Assistance: Equipment deliveries during week ending 12 September were considerably greater than preceding week, \$4.0 million compared with \$1.1 million last week. Material delivered follows:

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| Crew-served weapons (machine guns and mortars) | 40 | - |
| Small Arms Ammunition (rounds) | 22,279,000 | - |
| Grenades | 7,776 | - |
| Mortar Ammunition (rounds) | 39,357 | - |
| Howitzer (rounds) | 9,026 | - |
| Communications Eq (radios) | 40 | - |
| UH-1 Utility Helicopters (on loan) | 6 | - |

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-- ROK Assistance: Two ROK aircraft delivered a shipment of uniforms and boots to Phnom Penh September 12.

Diplomatic: The preparatory meeting of Foreign Ministers for the Lusaka non-aligned Conference went as predicted, with no decision taken regarding Cambodian participation. Neither the GOC nor Sihanouk's representative were seated.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HENRY A. KISSINGER
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Weekly Report on Cambodia No. 5

Third Country Military Assistance

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3. Korea. Two ROK aircraft delivered a shipment of uniforms and boots to Phnom Penh September 12.

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4. Australia. The Australians have indicated that they wish to confirm the inclusion of arms in their aid to Cambodia by providing a modest quantity (say \$200,000) under their newly-announced \$1 million program. Thompson submachine guns are under consideration.

Diplomatic Steps

1. Lusaka Conference. Discussion of seating a Cambodian delegation at the Lusaka non-aligned summit proceeded along predictable lines, with the preparatory meeting of foreign ministers shelving the question and seating neither side. Sihanouk's propaganda has claimed a moral victory in the "vote" of 21 for FUNK and 7 for Lon Nol; this ignores both the fact that the conference proceeded by consensus, not vote, and that the Zambian presiding officer exaggerated the number of delegations speaking for FUNK. Many of the pro-GOC delegations did not bother to speak.

2. Delegation to Europe. The Minister of Community Development heads a delegation which is making a "good will visit" to France, Czechoslovakia and East Germany. Although the mission's purpose is primarily to meet with Cambodian students and attempt to hold their loyalties, the decision of the Communist countries to receive it is another reflection of the apparent Soviet intention to maintain correct relations with the GOC.

3. Foreign Economic Aid. The President's letter to Japanese Prime Minister Sato was delivered September 11. Commenting on it, Deputy Vice Foreign Minister Hogen expressed agreement for the principle of multilateral cooperation in aid to Cambodia, and cited the Lao and Indonesian models. However, he believed the reactions of finance ministry delegations at the meeting this week of the IMF/IBRD might be cool, negatively influenced by the report of the IMF mission. He said the GOJ would take the initiative in developing a multilateral framework, but would wish to develop a rationale based on both political and economic grounds. Indonesian and Malaysian representatives have been invited to Tokyo on their way to the UN General Assembly to discuss follow-up actions to the report of the Djakarta Three, and this subject will be discussed with them.

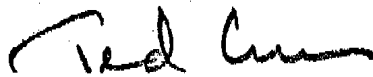
4. Son Sann/Habib Conversation. Former Cambodian Prime Minister Son Sann, who has arrived in Paris, called on Ambassador Habib September 9. After describing the background of Sihanouk's

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overthrow, he explained that he has been in fairly regular contact with Lon Nol though because of his health and a feeling that he could be more useful outside the government he has refused invitations to take part in it. He considers that some means must be found to end the war in Cambodia and return to neutrality within the terms of the 1954 Geneva accords. A meeting last month in Phnom Penh, presided over by Chief of State Cheng Heng and including representatives of intellectuals, religious groups, and the National Assembly, reached a consensus that Son Sann should take "soundings" in various quarters as to how this objective might be reached. He has, therefore, come to Paris with the GOC's approval, for medical treatment and to take such soundings. He said his instructions from Lon Nol allow him to talk unofficially about means of protecting Cambodian neutrality and territorial integrity but not to make specific proposals or to have direct contacts with the Chinese Communists, the DRV, or the NLF. However, he hopes to make contact with Sihanouk's most distinguished personal follower, Penn Nouth, and also with Soviet Ambassador Zorin in Paris.


For Theodore L. Eliot, Jr.
Executive Secretary

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**ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301**

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS

In reply refer to:
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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR
NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS
ATTN: MR. HERBERT LEVIN**

SUBJECT: Weekly Report - Cambodia

Attached is the subject report requested in your August 15, 1970 memorandum.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Warren Austin".

**Enclosure: 1
Report**

**cc: SecDef
DepSecDef
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SENSITIVE**TOP SECRET****EYES ONLY**REPORT ON CAMBODIA, WEEK ENDING 14 SEPTEMBER 1970MILITARY OPERATIONS

Ground. Enemy harassment of outposts and defensive positions continues throughout the country especially in the Siem Reap area. Naval forces involved in Operation KAUKTLORK opened the water route from Kompong Chhnang to Kompong Thom on 9 September and returned to Kompong Chhnang on 12 September for reloading of cargo for a second trip. Operation CHENLA forces have met stiff resistance north of Skoun and their advance has been delayed pending the arrival of reinforcements. ARVN units had light contact in the vicinity of Svay Rieng and Kompong Cham in southeastern Cambodia.

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