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BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE
COMMUNIST PARTY OF KAMPUCHEA
CONCERNING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE
COMMUNIST PARTY OF KAMPUCHEA

1 - The Communist Party of Kampuchea was founded in 1960, under a circumstance of strenuous and complicated struggle, both at home and abroad, for the independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and neutrality of Kampuchea and for a better condition of living of the Kampuchean people.

Moreover, the Communist Party of Kampuchea was founded to be an independent political party, free from any domination and particularly to fight against the "Indochina Federation", doctrine of the Vietnamese Communist Party, against the doctrine of "one party, one country, one people",

successively and perfidiously procreated by the Vietnamese communist Party aiming at swallowing up the parties, the peoples and the territories of Kampuchea and Laos to form as one with the party, the people and the territory of Vietnam.

The Communist Party of Kampuchea was founded because it was fully aware-through its own history and through the successive concrete acts of the Hanoi authorities against the party, the people and territory of Kampuchea that only an independent party, which has a high spirit of patriotism and raises aloft its own genuine national banner, can defend the nation and the people of Kampuchea and prevent Kampuchea from having the same historical fate of Kampuchea Krom, completely swallowed up by the Vietnamese expansionists.

1 - The Communist Party of Kampuchea is now, up to 1981, 21 years old since its founding in 1960. During these 21 years, the Communist Party of Kampuchea has succeeded in fulfilling its successive historical tasks by raising high its banner of struggle for national ideal of independence, sovereignty, peace, neutrality and for that of the people of Kampuchea to get free from oppression of all kinds. It has done so with its constant high spirit of sacrifice, patriotism and responsibility to its nation and people. Despite having gone through tortuous and complicated situations and having committed some mistakes, the Communist Party of Kampuchea has successfully fulfilled its glorious tasks to the maximum:

1 - It has always developed and strengthened the high spirit of patriotism among the party's members and the Kampuchean people throughout the country.

2 - It has brought about, raised aloft and always developed the national honour and dignity, national pride and soul to be everlasting and developed.

3 - It has raised aloft the banner of valiant and steadfast struggle to defend the nation and people of Kampuchea, preventing them at all costs from extinction by any means or any forms.
Being a small country with a small population and successively victim in all periods by foreign aggression, expansion and oppression through colonialism and neo-colonialism of all kinds, and in a situation when strong countries have used their brute forces to swallow up and trample under foot weak countries, this small Kampuchea is quite easy to vanish very quickly. The whole nation could vanish. That is its territory, its soul, its culture, its literature, its arts, its language, its traditions and customs, its spirit and patrimony of all kinds could vanish, until the whole people of Kampuchea vanish and become a national minority. In short, the constant grave danger of extinction of the nation and people of Kampuchea threatens all of us everyday. If we are not aware of this problem, pay no attention to it, and do not struggle against it, then this grave danger will surely bring about the final extinction of our nation and people.

But if we are clearly aware of this danger and wage a resolute and unyielding struggle against it, then the nation and people of Kampuchea will definitely be preserved despite any kinds of obstacles in our struggle.

The Communist Party of Kampuchea has successfully carried out this glorious task through its pure loyalty and love for the nation and people of Kampuchea.

[III] - Our concept and concern towards this grave danger right before the founding of the Communist Party of Kampuchea and particularly the reason of its very founding, that the nation and people of Kampuchea are threatened with extinction have been shown more clearly at the time when the Vietnamese Le Duan clique aggressor, expansionist, land-grabber and racial exterminator has demonstrated its power against Kampuchea and her people after the unification of Vietnam. It is this Vietnamese Le Duan clique which, through its nature as expansionist and land-grabber of the Kampuchean territory has successively provoked and attacked Democratic Kampuchea since 1975 up to its most barbarous and cruel aggression and invasion of our beloved Kampuchea by hundred thousands of its brute forces in 1979. It is the same Vietnamese Le Duan clique which has carried out the policy and crimes of genocide against the Kampuchean nation and people, by massacring the population, plundering, burning and destroying everything creating immense devastations, sufferings, and mournings to the nation and people of Kampuchea.

[IV] - However, in this situation, the Communist Party of Kampuchea has by no means knelt down in front of the Vietnamese Le Duan clique. It continues to stand up and to raise aloft the national banner in the most difficult situation. It has taken part in leading the national army and the whole people of Kampuchea to fight back the Vietnamese Le Duan clique most courageously in the very beloved territory of Kampuchea it has cherished like its own life, and turned the situation of unbounded difficulties into a favourable and good situation, that is to fight the more than 300,000 Vietnamese Le Duan troops and civil agents in Kampuchea and drive them into the quagmire in all fields, military, political, economic and others during these past three years and through this it has succeeded in stopping the Vietnamese enemy and their master, the Soviet Union, by bogging them down in Kampuchea, and thus preventing them from thrusting southward. It has thus contributed for its part to prevent the Vietnamese regional expansionists and the Soviet world expansionists from being more arrogant and heading to trample underfoot Southeast Asia according to their criminal and ambition schemes. That is the result of the heroic struggle resolutely waged by the party, the Government, the National Army, the guerrillas and the people of Kampuchea against the Vietnamese Le Duan clique aggressor and expansionist, together with the multiform support from the overwhelming majority of peace- and justice-loving countries and peoples the world over.
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But in this new and historical situation when the nation and people of Kampuchea are threatened with extinction by the Vietnamese Le Duan clique aggressor and expansionist, backed by the Soviet world expansionists, in the situation when we carry out the new strategic policy which construct neither socialism or communism, when we carry out the political programme of the Patriotic and Democratic Front of Great National Union of Kampuchea (PDFGNUK) for tens or even hundreds of years to come, when the nation and people of Kampuchea are and will be always threatened to be exterminated by the Vietnamese Le Duan clique, after long and careful discussions since February 1979, particularly in conformity with the decision adopted by the congress held from 3 to 6, September 1981, on behalf of all party's members, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea wishes to make public as follows:

1- The Communist Party of Kampuchea is definitively dissolved.

2- As a state organ, the Government of Democratic Kampuchea is responsible for fulfilling its historical task of leading the National Army and guerrillas of Democratic Kampuchea and the people of Kampuchea throughout the country to continue fighting the Vietnamese Le Duan clique until they were all driven out from our beloved territory of Kampuchea we cherish like our own life.

3- All patriotic personalities are called to display their capabilities and qualities in leading political affairs in various forms in accordance with their wishes.

VI - On this occasion when it makes public its dissolution, the Communist Party of Kampuchea wishes to call upon all party's members to stop in good order all the activities on behalf of the Communist Party of Kampuchea and in their capacity as members of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.

However, in their capacity as resolute patriots deeply cherishing the people and firmly raising aloft the banner for national independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity, peace and neutrality of Kampuchea, all these former party's members have the full and sacred rights to continue in their glorious struggle life their noble mission to fight the Vietnamese Le Duan clique aggressor and expansionist, in accordance with their functions, titles and tasks in the state organs of Democratic Kampuchea.

VII - The Communist Party of Kampuchea was founded for the sacred cause of the nation and people of Kampuchea. Likewise the Communist Party of Kampuchea is dissolved under a new circumstance for the same sacred cause of the nation and people of Kampuchea. During its mission, the Communist Party of Kampuchea has both qualities and shortcomings. But its qualities prevail over its shortcomings. On this occasion:

- We wish to pay tribute to the glorious memories of all comrades who have sacrificed their precious lives for the nation and people of Kampuchea,

- We pay respect to the lofty heroism of all comrades who have been and are still struggling valiantly against the Vietnamese Le Duan clique aggressor, expansionist, land-grabber and racial exterminator,

- We wish to extend to all friends, near or far, at home and abroad, and throughout the world, our deep thanks.

Democratic Kampuchea, December 6, 1981
Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.
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BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF
THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF KAMPUCHEA CONCERNING
THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF
THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF KAMPUCHEA

We would like to make public the preparations for the dissolution of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, as follows:

-FEBRUARY 1979:
In February 1979, the Standing Committee of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea and the Government of Democratic Kampuchea examined 3 questions:

1- To put an end to the old strategic policy and to set up a new strategic policy by preparing the policy of a united national front in conformity with the new situation.

2- Whether or not to set up a new government of Democratic Kampuchea to be responsible in the new situation.

3- Whether or not to continue the mission of the Communist Party of Kampuchea?

The meeting has decided:

a- to let the Government of Democratic Kampuchea be in charge of and carry out all state’s affairs in conformity with the new situation.

b- to put off for the time being the matter concerning the Communist Party of Kampuchea and to take a decision at a later appropriate time.

-MAY 1979:
In May 1979, the Government of Democratic Kampuchea discussed on the new strategic policy and prepared a draft political programme of a united front mobilizing all forces of great national union according to the new situation in order to fight against the Vietnamese Le Duan clique aggressor, expansionist, land-grabber and racial exterminator. The new strategic policy and the draft political programme of the united front were discussed many times. In May 1979, the draft political programme was adopted and propagated among all units of the National Army, guerrillas, various government departments and among the whole population for discussion so that they convey their opinion to the Government of Democratic Kampuchea in order to improve this draft.

-SEPTEMBER 1979:
After long and careful discussions in all units, big and small, and in all walks of life throughout the country for several months, the Government of Democratic Kampuchea decided to propagate both at home and abroad, the draft political programme of the Patriotic and Democratic Front of Great National Union of Kampuchea (PDFGUNK).
DECEMBER 1979:

In December 1979, a Congress was held with the participation of the Standing Committee of the Assembly of the People's Representatives of Kampuchea, the Government of Democratic Kampuchea, the representatives of the National Army and guerrillas of Democratic Kampuchea, the representatives of local administrations, the representatives of various government departments to study this new political problem.

The Congress has then, for both at home and abroad, solemnly proclaimed as follows:

1- The new strategic policy which puts an end to the construction of socialism and communism and implements the draft political programme of PDFGNUMK for the sake of mobilizing the forces of great national union fighting the Vietnamese enemy Le Duan clique aggressor, expansionist,

2- The putting off of all dispositions of the 1976 Constitution of Democratic Kampuchea which are contrary to the draft political programme of the PDFGNUMK by replacing them with the latter.

3- During the present situation of war, the Congress decided to let the Standing Committee of the Assembly of the People's Representatives of Kampuchea to carry out the assembly's work on its own behalf as the legislative organ.

4- The formation of a new government of Democratic Kampuchea with Mr. Khieu Samphân as Prime Minister. The Congress of December 1979 succeeded in taking fundamental decisions on the questions concerning the State and the Government of Democratic Kampuchea, the new strategic policy and the draft political programme of the PDFGNUMK.

It was a new stage on setting up the state apparatus and the policy to be in conformity with the new historical circumstances when the whole nation and people of Kampuchea are being victim by the most grievous war of aggression and genocide carried out by the Vietnamese Le Duan clique.

APRIL 1980:

After the new strategic policy and the draft political programme of the PDFGNUMK were adopted by the Congress of December 1979, in April 1980, the Standing Committee of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea examined the question of the Communist Party of Kampuchea: whether or not to put an end to the activities of the Communist Party of Kampuchea in order to be in conformity with the new strategic policy which does not construct socialism or communism and implements the draft political programme of the PDFGNUMK.

It was agreed that the Communist Party of Kampuchea is not in conformity with this new situation and the new strategic policy which do not construct socialism and communism. It was then decided to issue a circular letter to all party local organs for consultations and careful study so that they convey back their opinion to the Standing Committee of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.

JULY 1980:

In July 1980, at an open-ended meeting, the Standing Committee of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea continued to examine on the question of the Communist Party of Kampuchea in conformity with the same forms and guidelines discussed in April 1980 and the proposal and various opinions expressed successively by the party local organs.
—SEPTEMBER AND DECEMBER 1980 : —

In September and December 1980, at open-ended sessions, the Standing Committee of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea continued again its discussions based on the reports and opinions sent successively to the Standing Committee from various party local organs.

—JULY AND SEPTEMBER 1981 : —

In July 1981 and particularly in September 1981, after successively collecting all opinions from various party local organs throughout the country as well as many opinions from the mass, outside the party, the Central Committee of the Party together with cadres of various units held a congress to discuss and take decision on this question of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.

The congress was held from 3 to 6 September 1981 and decided unanimously:

1- to put an end to the activities of the Communist Party of Kampuchea following the unanimous opinion of the party local organs throughout the country.

2- to propagate this decision of dissolving the Communist Party of Kampuchea among the party's members and others within our rank for their knowledge before its public and official statement.

Democratic Kampuchea,
December 6, 1981

Central Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.