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Further information on UA 203/97 (ASA 23/18/97, 9 July 1997) - Fear for Safety

CAMBODIAChao Sambath
Nhek Bun Chhay
Serey Kosal
Por Bun Sreu MP

Amnesty International has learned that Chao Sambath is already dead. The organization believes he was executed in custody. In the light of this news and the killing of Hor Sok earlier this week, concern for the safety of all those in custody following the coup is greatly heightened.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/express/airmail letters in English or French or in your own language:

- expressing deep regret at the killing of Chao Sambath and asking that those responsible are held to account for their actions;
- expressing concern for the safety of General Nhek Bun Chhay, Por Bun Sreu MP and Serey Kosal;
- urging that if they are arrested, their treatment in detention should conform with minimum international standards;
- expressing great regret at the killing of Hor Sok while in custody and urging that those responsible be held accountable for their actions;
- urging that no one should be targeted on account of their peaceful political views.

APPEALS TO:

HE Hun Sen
Second Prime Minister
Office of the Council of Ministers
Phnom Penh
Cambodia

Telegrams: HE Hun Sen, Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Salutation: Your Excellency

HE Sar Kheng
Minister of Interior
Office of the Council of Ministers
Phnom Penh
Cambodia

Telegrams: HE Sar Kheng, Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Salutation: Your Excellency

HE Tea Banh
Minister of Defence
Office of the Council of Ministers
Phnom Penh
Cambodia

Telegrams: HE Tea Banh, Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Salutation: Your Excellency

PLEASE NOTE: Telecommunications with Cambodia have been almost non-existent since the weekend. Therefore no fax numbers have been given.

COPIES TO:

diplomatic representatives of Cambodia accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 20 August 1997.