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Further information on UA 203/97 (ASA 23/18/97, 9 July 1997) and follow-up (ASA 23/19/97, 9 July) - Fear for safety and new concern: Possible extrajudicial executions

CAMBODIA Chao Sambath
Nhek Bun Chhay
Serey Kosal
Por Bun Sreu MP

new names: Li Seng Hong
Krach Yeum
Maen Bun Than

Amnesty International is gravely concerned that three close associates of Nhek Bun Chhay may have also been killed. Unconfirmed reports say that the three - Li Seng Hong, Krach Yeum, Maen Bun Than, were fleeing from Phnom Penh with Chao Sambath, and may have been arrested and killed with him.

The organization is increasingly concerned about the safety of Nhek Bun Chhay, Serey Kosal and Por Bun Sreu and all of those who have been arrested since the coup.

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

- asking for information on the whereabouts of Li Seng Hong, Krach Yeum and Maen Bun Than, and for assurances that if they are in detention, they will not be ill-treated;
- reiterating deep regret at the killing of Chao Sambath and asking that those responsible be brought to justice;
- expressing concern for the safety of General Nhek Bun Chhay, Serey Kosal and Por Bun Sreu MP;
- 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:

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Salutation: Your Excellency

HE Sar Kheng
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Office of the Council of Ministers
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HE Tea Banh
Minister of Defence
Office of the Council of Ministers
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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 24 August 1997.