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JOINT STATEMENT BY FUNCINPEC AND THE SAM RAINSY PARTY

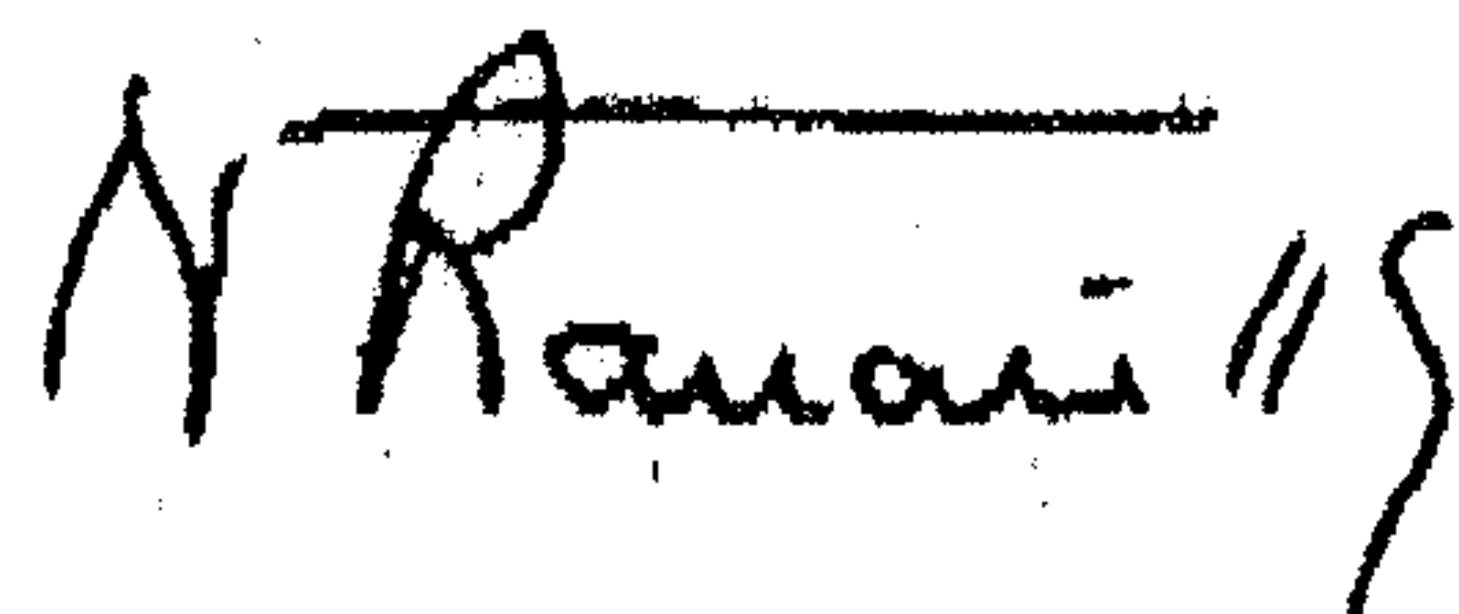
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY BELONGS TO THE PEOPLE

September 1, 1998

The Members of Parliament of FUNCINPEC and the Sam Rainsy Party will faithfully take up their seats in the National Assembly as soon as:

1. the used, unused and reserve ballots are reconciled,
2. sufficient recounts are done according to the law so that the results are verified,
3. re-voting takes place in areas where there is strong evidence of polling and counting fraud, and where electoral margins are minimal such as in Kompong Thom, and
4. the seats are allocated according to the legal formula (Balinski/Young) described in the Law on Elections and meeting the goals described in the Constitution.

To participate in the formation of a government without these steps being taken would be to participate in a fraud against the Cambodian people and democracy. The National Assembly represents the people and belongs to the people.



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