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RENEGADES HAVE LOST THEIR HEADS

Renegades led by Nguon Soeur have decided finally to hold their “congress” on March 14, 1996 at Nguon Soeur’s house. Over the last few days, renegades have kept changing the date and the venue of their meeting, completely ignoring the KNP Statutes and Internal Regulations. Renegades use the name of KNP in the most illegal and dishonest manner, with total impunity thanks to the support they get from Hun Sen who said publicly he wanted to “slice” opposition parties.

On the eve of the renegades’ “congress”, the KNP Steering Committee who stands firmly and unanimously behind President Sam Rainsy wants to announce that 350 out of the 360 first members of the National Council have expressed support for President Sam Rainsy and/or have signed and thumb-printed a petition condemning the renegades, making Nguon Soeur’s claim to have more than 10 former members of the National Council supporting him, completely absurd.

It is worth mentioning that participants to the renegades’ “congress” tomorrow will be attracted mainly by a gift of 10 US dollars per head, regardless of their political affiliation, making that “congress” even more farcical.

For the Steering Committee
and the National Council

(signed)

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