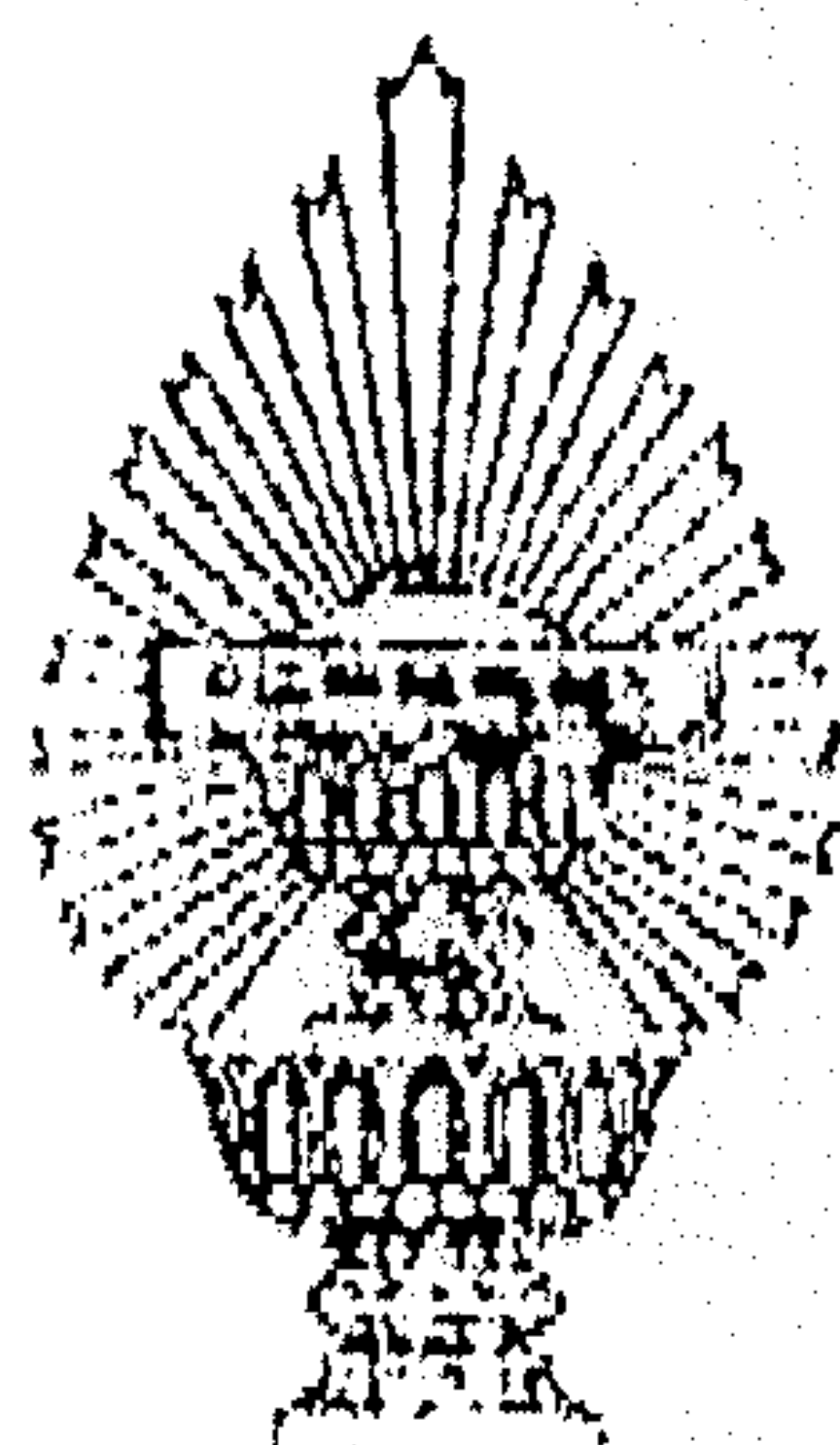


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**SAM RAINSY ARRESTED BY VIETNAMESE AUTHORITIES IN TAKEO**

On Saturday 25 November 2000, after having distributed food relief to some 500 victims of recent floods in Prey Romdeng commune, Kirivong district, Takeo province, Sam Rainsy went to the Vietnamese border to inspect the situation there. At the border checkpoint of Phum Den in Prey Romdeng commune, at around 3 pm, he was arrested by Vietnamese officials, along with Member of Parliament Cheam Channy, Senators Chao Phally and Thach Seta, and some 20 other SRP members. At the time of writing, he and his colleagues are still detained by the Vietnamese authorities.

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