

KINGDOM of CAMBODIA

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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Phnom Penh, 19 January 1995

From: The Members of the National Assembly, whose names are listed below

To: Samdech CHEA SIM, Chairman of the National Assembly.

Object: Questions to the Royal Government about agreements and contracts recently signed by the Royal Government.

References:

- Article 96 of the Constitution
- Article 58 of the Constitution
- Article 90 of the Constitution
- Principle 32 of the Internal Regulations of the National Assembly.

Mr. Chairman,

Having learnt officially and unofficially, in particular from the national and international press, that the Royal Government has recently signed a number of agreements and contracts with international financial institutions and with private foreign companies which relate to the *management of State assets* (Art. 58 of the Constitution) and to the *State borrowing* and *financial commitments* (Art. 90 of the Constitution), we would like the Royal Government to explain to us the meanings and the implications of those agreements and contracts and to confirm clearly that their implementations will be in line with (*respect*) the Constitution and other Laws of the country.

Therefore, could you please, on our behalf, kindly submit the above questions and request to the Royal Government, according to the procedures stated in Article 96 of the Constitution and in Principle 32 of the Internal Regulations of the National Assembly.

With our deepest gratitude and our respectful regards.

1. KUNG SOPHAT (Mrs) *-signature-*
2. ROS HEAN *-signature-*
3. ROS ROEUN *-signature-*
4. MAUGN SOPHAN *-signature-*
5. KEM SOKHA *-signature-*
6. SON CHHAY *-signature-*
7. MEAS CHAN LEAP *-signature-*
8. POL HOM *-signature-*

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From the Constitution of the Kingdom of Cambodia :

Article 96 : Parliamentary deputies have the right to submit questions to the Royal Government. These question shall be submitted in writing through the Chairman of the National Assembly. [...]

Responses shall be given within seven days of receipt of the questions. [...]

The National Assembly shall reserve one day per week for responses to questions. [...]

Article 58 : State assets include the land, [...], forests, natural resources, economic and cultural centers, [...], and such other buildings as have been determined to be State property. The management , use and disposal of State assets shall be determined by Law.

Article 90 : [...] The National Assembly shall approve the national budget, State plans, State borrowing, State lending, financial commitments (*) [...].

From the Internal Regulations of the National Assembly :

Principle 32 : All MPs have the right to raise questions to the Royal Government. These questions must be written and submitted through the Chairman of the National Assembly. [...].

(*) Financial commitments comprise all kinds of liabilities including contingent liabilities, financial guarantees or promises of compensation made by the State to private companies.