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Dear Editor,

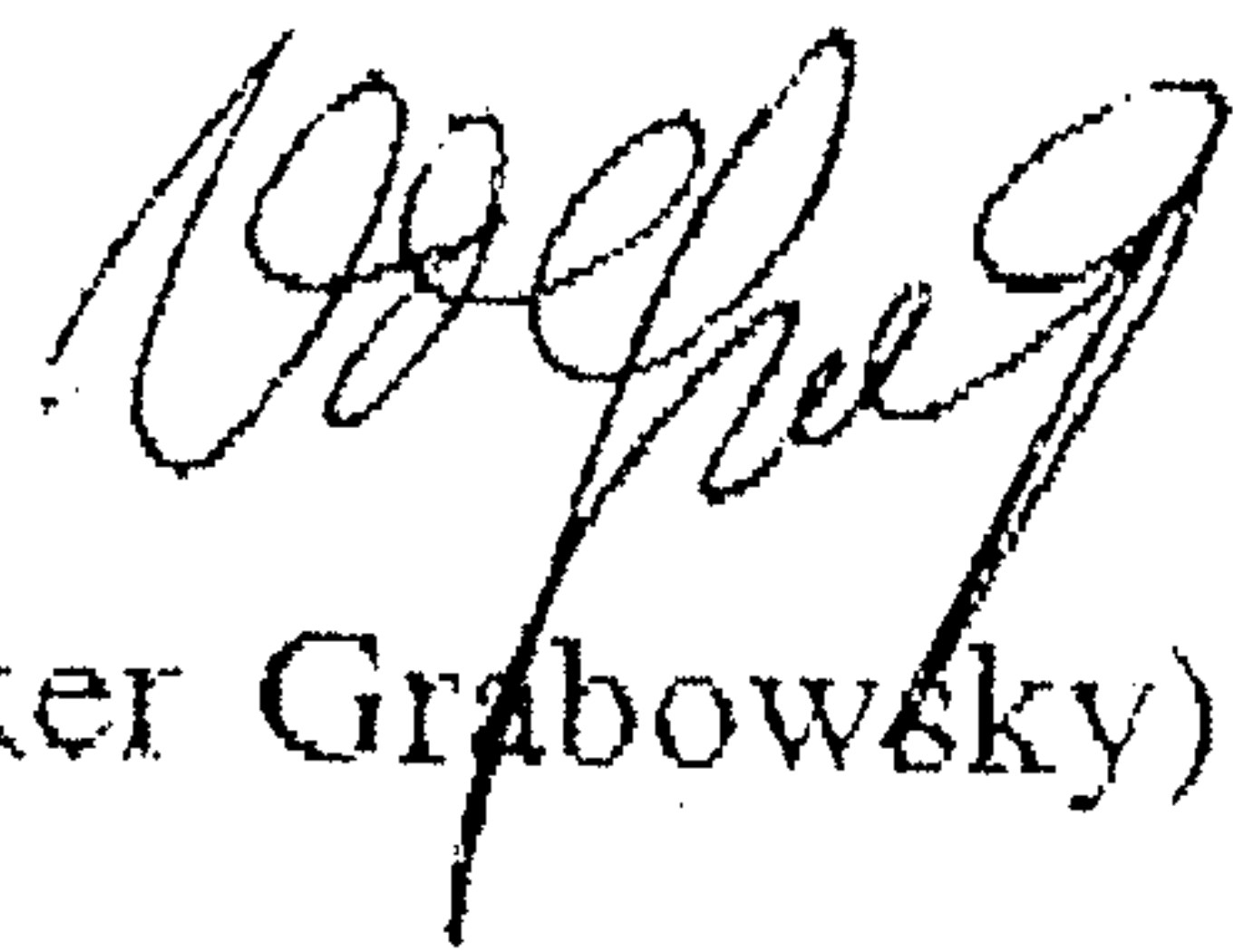
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V.H.G., Nong Khai

Concerning: Photo "Duch and his bosses", in: PPP, April 30 - May 13, 1999, p. 10

The explanatory note of the photo showing "Duch and his bosses ... at an unidentified meeting during the KR regime" contains a serious mistake: the man sitting next to Pol Pot on the far left is **not** Khieu Samphan but Nuon Chea. There can be no doubt about it. I have met Khieu Samphans during five long encounters during the years 1985 and 1990 and can only confirm that Samphan's profile is very different from the man on the photo. That man has facial expressions that perfectly fits to the Nuon Chea of the late 1970s. Look at his forehead and his piercing eyes and you will certainly agree. By the way, the man on the right side sitting opposite to Duch should be nobody else that Ke Pauk, then the KR chief of Cambodia's central zone.

Sincerely yours,



(Volker Grabowsky)