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FOR A SMOOTH BALLOT COUNTING DAY

In order to ensure that ballot counting operations will be smoothly conducted on July 28, 2003, the SRP appeals

1. To all political parties, to refrain from organizing any demonstration tomorrow, and to wait until a clear picture of the situation appears by the end of the ballot counting day. (There are rumors that, as an intimidation ploy, the CPP is preparing large scale demonstrations to celebrate their "victory", starting at a time when ballot counting will have not even started).
2. To the utility authorities, to take all adequate measures throughout the country to prevent electricity cuts tomorrow, since such failures will create – as they did in 1998 – serious disturbances to the ballot counting operations.
3. To the telephone companies, to take all adequate measures to make sure that their services tomorrow are not interfered with, saturated, or suspended altogether, since telecommunications constitute a crucial link for observers and party agents to quickly report incidents and irregularities.

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