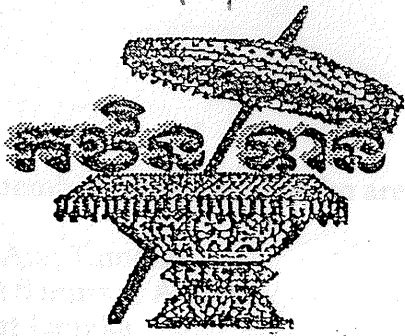
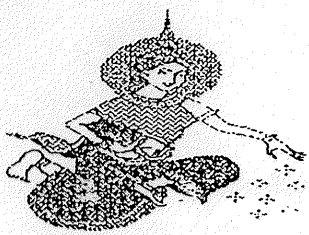


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Dear Friends:

On behalf of my family and friends, I have the honor to invite you to join us in the Khmer cultural event called:

**KATHINA DANA
(Buddhist Charity Drive)**

Traditionally, as the rainy season comes to an end, Khmer Buddhists throughout the nation conduct Buddhist Charity Drives called "Bonn Kathin tean (Kathina dana)." The purpose of these events is to collect donations for the Buddhist monks who live in the temples and who are unable to go out to collect alms because of the season's heavy rains. In more modern times, this Khmer tradition has expanded. Khmer people now use this opportunity not only to support the Buddhist monks but also for renovating temple buildings and for building new temple schools.

To follow this noble Khmer Buddhist tradition, I, together with relatives and friends, as well as members of the Khmer Kampuchea Krom community are conducting a Kathina dana with the special aim of building a school in Kampuchea Krom (presently the Mekong delta of Vietnam).

The Kathina dana Buddhist blessing ceremony, reception, and receipt of donations will take place on Sunday, October 29, at 5:00 p.m., at the headquarters of the PREAH SIHANOUK RAJ ACADEMY (see the enclosed map and address).

We would like to thank you in advance for your support.

Cordially yours,

Dr. Thach Bunroeun and
Mme. Margo Mam Thach

Names of family members and friends who are initiating this event:

- Ven. Thach Huon, Wat Ang Tamenh
- Ven. Rath Saroeun, Wat Samrong Andet
- Ven. Nho Samnang, Wat Langka
- Ven. Tep Sovann, Wat Than
- Ven. Moeung Sang, Wat Sansam Kosal
- Ven. Kim Doeung, Wat Moha Montrey

- His Excellency Sok An, Minister of the Council of Ministers
- His Excellency Hien Vanniroth, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Religions
- His Excellency Kien Vang, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Interior
- His Excellency Thach Reng, Cambodia National Mekong Committee
- His Excellency Son Soubert, Second Vice President of the National Assembly
- His Excellency Than Sina, Secretary General of the National Assembly
- His Excellency Mam Sophana, Under Secretary of State,
Vice President of the Airport Development Authority
- His Excellency Truong Mealy, Ambassador to Japan
- His Excellency Lam Phu An, Under Secretary of State of
the Ministry of Post and Communications
- Dr. Pen Dareth, Vice President of the Preah Sihanouk Raj Academy
- Dr. Sin Meng Srun, Cambodian Development Council
- Dr. Mme. Chum Bo, Khmer Alliance Foundation
- Mr. Neou Kassie, Director of Cambodian Institute of Human Rights
- Mr. Ted Ngoy, President of King Realty
- General Kim An, Cambodian National Border Commission
- General Thach Soung, Commander BG of First PM
- General Thach Sang, Deputy Commander of Cambodian Navy
- General Thach Thi, Ministry of Interior
- General Thach Koun, Ministry of Defense
- General Danh Xaun, Ministry of Defense

- The Friendship Khmer Krom Association
and Khmer Kampuchea Krom throughout the world