

Minutes of Meeting of Propaganda Work

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- Agenda:

- Broadcasting about the election 20 March 1976
- Tasking to monitor news

I. Opinions and instructions on broadcasting of the election 20 March 1976

1 - Principles for radio broadcasting:

Now we set up the election, and we must prepare broadcasting to prevent the enemy from attacking us. In fact, they will still attack, like the French news agency.

We have already disseminated information about our constitution, and they are waiting to see what we will do next. They are now angry. As for Vietnam, they have broadcast about the committee, about the population numbers, about the rules like the capitalist style of election.

As for us, if we do not broadcast they will say we are dictators and there is no democracy. Vietnam will get more of a free hand to an extent. We won't run after them, but we must take measures to counter them in advance.

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So, we must broadcast. We won't broadcast about our election law. We will broadcast along the line of reeducation and training on the constitution, in order to welcome the election. We will do some explanation of the constitution aimed at opening the reeducation movement.

Objectives សំណូមពរ៖ To allow our inside [ranks], our people, our Army, to grasp the constitution. Our entire people must understand their own constitution; it is not just

the representatives who must understand. The people must absorb to monitor and adjust the implementation to be in accordance with their desires and the national interests.

If we do this, we gain much:

- First, a gain for the radio programming
- Second, seizing the opportunity for political reeducation
- Third, We do this different from everyone else in the world. Even China, Vietnam, they do not broadcast their constitutions.

2. The content of the broadcasting:

- We broadcast the constitution, the content, and the not concentrating too strongly on explanation.
- We will speak about the rules of selecting our representatives, about the qualities of representatives who are representatives of the peasant-workers, and are of the highest quality. Serving the peasant-workers; serving the true national interests.
- The voters: All those from 18 years of age up have the right to voter, except for criminals. All of the people, old and the new, have the right to vote. This is broad and open solidarity.
- We do not brag on ourselves so as to avoid any negative impact. But clearly our constitution arose from the struggle. Praising this constitution, we go on the offensive to build the country. Our constitution is a symbol, the victory, of our struggle, the foundation, an inheritance for our children in the future.

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3. Broadcast times:

Divided into two periods:

- Beginning now until the 17th, we broadcast all along, every day.
- From [illegible phrase] until the elections we broadcast constantly.

4. The form of the broadcasts:

- Consecutive articles in various forms.
- The last three days, be on the offensive constantly.
- In the form of meetings, interviews, select three sites:
 - Laborer meetings: Comrades Phoas ភាស័, Ân អន, Rit រិត

- Peasant meetings: Comrade females Yuth យុទ្ធ Choeun ចៀន, from the Southwest
- Military meetings: Comrade Moan ម៉ាន - - -

II. Opinions of Angkar concerning the monitoring of various news

Angkar instructed that the Ministry of Propaganda monitor news and grasp matters closely at hours, everyday, and send as news so measures can be taken. The task of monitoring the news is divided into two:

- First, ordinary times: Send news to Angkar every day as normal, but report in summary outline on important events related to us, with some opinion and analysis, so that the Standing Committee may take notice and take measures.

At 5:15 in the afternoon, a personal messenger of Angkar will arrive to get the news at the Ministry of Propaganda.

- Second, in special times: If something especially important happens, telephone and report to Angkar immediately so that timely measures may be taken.