

THE FUNK AND GRUNK DELEGATION EN ROUTE TO EUROPE AND AFRICA

A.K.I. 21 April 1974

The FUNK and GRUNK delegation, under the leadership of Mr Khieu Samphan, member of the FUNK Central Committee Political Bureau, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Defence of GRUNK and Commander-in-Chief of FAPLNK, and Deputy Chief Mr Ieng Sary, Special Advisor of the Vice Presidency of GRUNK Council, left Peking on 19 April by special flight to visit European and African countries.

Members of the Delegation included: Mr Sarin Chhak, Minister of Foreign Affairs of GRUNK, and Mrs Ieng Thirith, Minister of Popular Education and Youth.

The following persons also came to the airport to welcome the Delegation: the Prime Minister of FUNK, Samdeck Penn Nouth, and his wife, as well as the Chinese leaders Ye Kien-Ying and Wou Teh.

Also present on this occasion were Messrs Chau Seng, Chan Youran, Thiounn Mumm, General Duong Sam Ol, Messrs Thiounn Prasith and Van Piny, members of GRUNK, as well as the Ambassador of the Royal Kingdom of Cambodia to China, Toch Kham Doeun.

Messrs Keng Piao, Tchang Tsai-Tsien, Han Nien-Long and Chen Kien, Heads of the respective Chinese Departments, and the Chinese Ambassador to the Royal Kingdom of Cambodia, Kang Mao-Tchao, were also present.

In addition, Diplomatic envoys in China from Albania, Yugoslavia, Romania, Algeria, Mauritania and Cameroon attended.

STOPOVER OF THE FUNK AND GRUNK DELEGATION IN OUROUMTSI

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In the afternoon of 19 April, the FUNK and GRUNK Delegation arrived in Ouroumtsi en route to European and African countries.

Mr Saifudin, President of the Revolutionary Committee of the Uyghur Autonomous Region of Sinkiang, gave a dinner in honour of the Cambodian guests, who left Ouroumtsi on 20 April by special flight.

Upon arrival, as at their departure, they were warmly greeted at the airport by President Saifudin, the heads of the Party, the Government, and the Army of the Autonomous Region, the Revolutionary Committee of the city of Ouroumtsi, as well as relevant departments.

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## THE FUNK AND GRUNK DELEGATION ARRIVES IN TIRANA

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The FUNK and GRUNK Delegation arrived on 20 April in Tirana by special flight for an official and friendly visit on the invitation of the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Albania and the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania.

The delegation was under the leadership of Khieu Samphan, member of the FUNK Central Committee Political Bureau, Deputy Vice Minister and Minister of National Defence of GRUNK and Commander-in-Chief of the FAPLNK, assisted by Ieng Sary, Special Advisor to the Deputy Presidency of the GRUNK Council.

The members of the delegation were Mr Sarin Chhak, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mrs Ieng Thirith, Minister of Popular Education and Youth, and Peh Bun Ret, Ambassador of the Royal Kingdom of Cambodia to the People's Republic of Albania.

Mr Mehmet Shehu, President of the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Albania, Mr Beqir Balluku, Vice President of the Council of Ministers and Minister of People's Defence of Albania, and other Albanian heads came to the airport to greet the guests.

Also present were diplomatic envoys to Albania.

The band performed the national anthems of the two countries. Accompanied by Mr Beqir Balluku, Mr Khieu Samphan reviewed the honour guard of the People's Army of Albania.

Mr Khieu Samphan and Mr Ieng Sary, respectively accompanied by Mr Mehmet Shehu and Mr Ramiz Alia, were brought by car to the guest's residence. During their trip, the visitors were warmly welcomed by tens of thousands of inhabitants.

## STATEMENT OF MR KHIEU SAMPHAN ON HIS ARRIVAL IN TIRANA

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On his arrival in Tirana, Mr Khieu Samphan, Chief of the FUNK and GRUNK Delegation on an official and friendly visit in Albania, stated:

"On arriving to the glorious Albania, our Delegation is extremely happy to meet with the Albanian people, a very dear friend to the people of Kampuchea, and for whom we have deep admiration.

"The indomitable spirit of two million, two hundred thousand Albanians constitutes a time-honoured bulwark against which all attempts of violating the Sovereignty of Albania have foundered.

"Coming from the critical front in the anti-imperialist and anti-colonialist struggle, we are extremely proud to bring our brothers, the Albanian people, their eminent leader, His Excellency Enver Hoxha, First Secretary of the Albanian Workers' Party, and other leaders of the People's Republic of Albania, the most cordial and fraternal greetings from the people and the People's National Liberation Armed Forces of Kampuchea!"

"Our current visit aims to once again strengthen the bond of militant solidarity and fraternal friendships

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that unite our two nations, our two peoples and our two armies, in the same and noble cause, that of fighting against imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism, in particular, against imperialism of the American aggressor.

“The enthusiastic welcome of the Albanian people convinces us that our purpose will be fully achieved!

“Long live militant solidarity and unbreakable fraternal friendship between the Kampuchean and Albanian people!

“Long live the glorious and indomitable Albanian people!

“Long live His Excellency Enver Hoxha, venerable leader of the Albanian people!”

#### THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEHMET SHEHU MEETS THE FUNK AND GRUNK DELEGATION

A.K.I. 22 April 1974

On 20 April, Mr Mehmet Shehi, President of the Council of Ministers of the People's Republic of Albania, received the FUNK and GRUNK delegation on an official and friendly visit in Albania.

Present at this occasion were: Messrs Beqir Ballauku, Vice President of the Council of Ministers and Minister of People's Defence, Ramiz Alia, Vice President of the General Council of the Democratic Front of Albania, Adil Carcani, Vice President of the Council of Ministers, Sheqet Peci, Vice President of the Presidium of the People's Assembly, Petrit Dume, General Chief of Staff of the People's Army, Nestie Nase, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Thoma Deljana, Minister of Education and Culture.

The President of the Council of Ministers, Mehmet Shehu, engaged in a cordial and friendly conversation with the Cambodian guests.