

KHMER REPUBLIC TO RESHUFFLE CABINET

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(TEXT) A COMMUNIQUE FROM THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE FOLLOWS:

THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT STATES THE FOLLOWING: THE HIGH POLITICAL COUNCIL--AT A MEETING HELD ON 21 OCTOBER AT THE REPUBLIC PALACE WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS SUCH AS LT GEN SAUKHAM KHOUY TAN KIM HUON, HA.G THUN HAN AND CP KIM ANG--AGREED TO RESHUFFLE THE CABINET IN LINE WITH A PROPOSAL BY FIRST MINISTER IN LAN.

THE NEW CABINET IS COMPOSED OF 3 DEPUTY FIRST MINISTERS, 6 MINISTER OF STATE, INCLUDING A MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF NEGOTIATIONS AND PEACE PROBLEMS, 16 MINISTERS AND 3 UNDER SECRETARIES OF STATE.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE KHMER REPUBLIC WILL ATTEND THE SESSION OF PARLIAMENT ON TUESDAY, 23 OCTOBER TO OPEN THE SESSION AND READ A MESSAGE. THEN THE FIRST MINISTER WILL PRESENT THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM. THIS IS IN CONFORMITY WITH THE CONSTITUTION OF THE KHMER REPUBLIC.

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