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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 (Court opens at 0907H)
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Please be seated. The Court is now in session.
- 5 During today's session and tomorrow's session, as scheduled, we
- 6 continue hearing this testimony of witness Pean Khean; questions
- 7 to be put by the Prosecution.
- 8 The Prosecution has already put some questions; however, their
- 9 allotted time still remains and they will proceed with putting
- 10 further questions and other parties will be given the floor to
- 11 put questions to the witness including the Judges of the Bench.
- 12 [09.09.28]
- 13 Ms. Se Kolvuthy, could you report on the attendance of the
- 14 parties to the proceedings today to the Chamber?
- 15 THE GREFFIER:
- 16 Mr. President, all parties to the proceedings are present, and
- 17 Mr. Pean Khean is also present and awaiting call from the Chamber
- 18 to appear before this Chamber.
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 Thank you.
- 21 Court officer is now instructed to bring in witness Pean Khean to
- 22 the court.
- 23 (The witness is taken to the dock)
- 24 Good morning, Mr. Pean Khean. We can see that you look fresh this
- 25 morning and that we hope you will remain healthy enough to be

- 1 able to give testimonies and so that we can conclude the
- 2 testimony of yours.
- 3 [09.11.57]
- 4 Before we proceed to the Prosecution, we would like to inform the
- 5 International Co-Prosecutor that the hearing on the 3rd of May
- 6 2012 was conducted for one hour and 20 minutes and the Chamber
- 7 had already decided regarding the request by the Prosecution
- 8 concerning the times allocated to put to the witness. The
- 9 Prosecution had used rather one hour and a half already and that
- 10 you can proceed until the morning adjournment for putting
- 11 questions to the witness.
- 12 [09.12.49]
- 13 You may now proceed.
- 14 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 15 Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours.
- 16 And just before we start or resume the examination of the
- 17 witness, a small housekeeping matter. I'd like to introduce to
- 18 the Chamber and counsel, my colleague, Keith Raynor, who has
- 19 recently joined us and will be appearing before Your Honours in
- 20 -- in future hearings; he's seated right next to me.
- 21 OUESTIONING BY MR. ABDULHAK:
- 22 Q. Good morning, Mr. Pean Khean, and thank you for coming back to
- 23 testify and assist the Chamber in ascertaining the truth.
- 24 What I would like to do -- because we've had a two-week break
- 25 since your last testimony -- is to briefly revisit some of the

- 1 issues we discussed and didn't fully explore and see if we can
- 2 complete them in the short time remaining.
- 3 [09.13.53]
- 4 You said to us that, at the time of Koy Thuon's arrest, you were
- 5 living and working at Chraing Chamres; is that correct?
- 6 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 7 A. Yes, it is. However, I did not work. I was there to take good
- 8 care of the house; clearing grasses, for example.
- 9 Q. And I think you also said to us that in -- in that period, you
- 10 took care of Koy Thuon or provided food for him; I just want to
- 11 make sure that I -- I have that correct.
- 12 A. Yes, it is correct.
- 13 Q. Thank you. Just so that we -- we understand, you've said to us
- 14 that Chraing Chamres was a location where Koy Thuon work -- Koy
- 15 Khuon worked. Could you describe for the Court what Chraing
- 16 Chamres looked like? Was it a small place? Was it a large house?
- 17 Could you describe the site, itself, for the Chamber?
- 18 [09.15.43]
- 19 A. Chraing Chamres was not a location where we worked
- 20 substantially; it was a location where we would stay temporarily.
- 21 Q. And -- and just to -- to clarify, was it a large place or a
- 22 small place and how many people worked there or lived there?
- 23 A. Chraing Chamres -- the location at Chraing Chamres was small.
- 24 It -- the place accommodated about 20 to 30 people.
- 25 Q. And were -- were those people -- were all of those people

- 1 working for Koy Thuon or were there people from other offices
- 2 there?
- 3 A. All of them were with Koy Khuon, no outsiders.
- 4 Q. Thank you.
- 5 [09.17.13]
- 6 You also said to us that, after Koy Khuon alias Thuch was
- 7 arrested, you stayed at Chraing Chamres for a period of two
- 8 months. Could you describe what -- what happened at Chraing
- 9 Chamres after his disappearance?
- 10 A. I did not notice any change to the situation; it was normal.
- 11 Q. And how did you find out that Thuch had been arrested?
- 12 A. I learned about this through friends who told me; that's how I
- 13 knew this.
- 14 Q. Were these friends people that lived with you at Chraing
- 15 Chamres?
- 16 A. Yes, they were.
- 17 Q. You also testified on the 2nd of May that you knew and -- and,
- 18 for a period of time, worked for Koy Khuon's wife, Madam Yun, who
- 19 was chief of Sector 32. Was she at Chraing Chamres at this time?
- 20 [09.19.28]
- 21 A. No, she wasn't.
- 22 Q. Where was she?
- 23 A. I don't know where she was.
- 24 Q. Did you ever see her or talk to her after the disappearance of
- 25 Koy Khuon?

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- 1 A. No, I did not see her since the disappearance of Koy Khuon.
- 2 Q. Now, you heard that Koy Khuon had been arrested and you
- 3 testified that this was ordered by Angkar. Did you hear what
- 4 happened to his wife or did you ever learn, in any way, what
- 5 happened to her?
- 6 A. I did not receive any information after the disappear -- after
- 7 Koy Khuon was arrested. I did not know what happened to any of
- 8 them.
- 9 Q. Thank you.
- 10 [09.21.09]
- 11 I'll -- I'll just note for the record, Your Honours, while we're
- 12 discussing this particular individual, she is listed on the S-21
- 13 revised prisoner list, which is document E3/342, entry number
- 14 12149, and that is at ERN 00330124; that ERN is common to all the
- 15 languages.
- 16 Mr. Pean Khean, you said to us on the 3rd of May that you -- that
- 17 Angkar had broadcast through radio programs that Koy Thuon was an
- 18 internal traitor and that he was affiliated with the CIA. When
- 19 you heard that, how did you feel?
- 20 A. I was concerned; first, because I -- I missed him because we
- 21 had been living together and, secondly, at that time, I did not
- $22\,$ know where I would stay because I used to stay with him and now
- 23 he -- he had problem and I do not -- I did not know where I
- 24 should go.
- 25 Q. You also said to us on the 3rd of May that you had heard that

- 1 after Koy Khuon was arrested that his subordinates also were to
- 2 be arrested. Were you afraid that -- that you might also be
- 3 arrested at this time?
- 4 [09.23.42]
- 5 A. Yes, indeed, I was. I felt very afraid like other people
- 6 because we did not know where the person arrested could have been
- 7 sent to.
- 8 Q. Thank you.
- 9 Now, I'll just move on to a -- a slightly different issue. You
- 10 also said to us on the 2nd of May that when you joined the
- 11 revolution, you asked to write a personal biography. Were you --
- 12 did you ever write other biographies after this time or was this
- 13 the only biography you wrote?
- 14 A. I don't remember writing any other biographies, but that was
- 15 the only chance -- or time I wrote the personal biography.
- 16 Q. Do you know if any of your fellow staff in Phnom Penh were
- 17 asked to write biographies or -- or wrote biographies at this
- 18 time?
- 19 [09.25.44]
- 20 A. No, I didn't. I did not see or noted any other people writing
- 21 any such biography because it was their business. I just don't
- 22 know.
- 23 Q. But you did say to us that you took part or were required to
- 24 take part in regular criticism and self-criticism sessions. What
- 25 was discussed in these sessions?

- 1 A. During the criticism and self-criticism sessions conducted
- 2 every evening, people would be checked on their -- performance of
- 3 their daily work. For example, if there was no shortcoming, if no
- 4 mistake was committed, it was a kind of qualification that people
- 5 was -- were free from being criticized. However, if people failed
- 6 to achieve the day-to-day work performance, such sessions were
- 7 very important so that people could be criticized, reminded of
- 8 how to perform their work better.
- 9 [09.27.30]
- 10 Q. And if one continued to make mistakes, were there any
- 11 punishments for such mistakes?
- 12 A. To the best of my recollection, this never happened to me or
- 13 to others. No punishment was ever made. If we made mistakes, we
- 14 would be re-corrected; educated time and again.
- 15 Q. Now, Mr. Pean Khean, you were in Phnom Penh for a part of the
- 16 period from '75 to '79; could you describe to us what the city
- 17 was like in this period? Were there lots of people living in the
- 18 city and were people able to move around freely?
- 19 A. During this period of time, I did not take any notice of the
- 20 situation, but I felt that it was normal. I did not see people
- 21 move around after the liberation, but I did see them moving
- 22 around immediately after Phnom Penh was liberated.
- 23 [09.29.50]
- 24 Q. When you say immediately after the people were liberated; are
- 25 these the people, the large groups, that you saw being evacuated

- 1 on the 17th of April? Are these the people you are describing?
- 2 A. On the 17 of April 1975, I saw these people when I was
- 3 travelling from Oudong to Phnom Penh. I saw them walking on the
- 4 road and when I approached Phnom Penh, I noted that the city was
- 5 very quiet already.
- 6 Q. And you said to us you -- you felt later that the situation
- 7 was normal. As -- as far as you could tell, did those people who
- 8 left -- who were evacuated on the 17th of April; did they return
- 9 before the 7th of January '79?
- 10 A. I don't know whether these people returned or moved to live in
- 11 other parts of the country.
- 12 Q. Now, living in -- in Phnom Penh, at the time, were you,
- 13 personally, able to move around to any part of the city as you --
- 14 as you wished?
- 15 A. Back then, I could not move freely unless there was an
- 16 assignment or designation by Pang that I attended a training or I
- 17 went to certain places to get certain stuff; for example, I may
- 18 be instructed to transport rice or vegetables from Preaek Pnov or
- 19 Chraing Chamres to K-1 offices.
- 20 [09.33.01]
- 21 Q. And what about your colleagues, other people who worked K-1,
- 22 K-3, and other offices -- people like yourself? Were they able to
- 23 move around freely or did they also need a permission?
- 24 A. That, I did not know about them, but that's what happened to
- 25 me; I could describe what had happened to me.

- 1 Q. Very well, Mr. Pean Khean.
- 2 At this time, '75 to '79, in Phnom Penh, did you ever notice any
- 3 of your colleagues or anyone being removed or disappearing from
- 4 the places they were working?
- 5 A. Back then, I knew the matters relating to Pang and Koy Thuon,
- 6 but as for others, I did not know.
- 7 Q. I just want to make sure I understand your answer. Are you
- 8 telling us that, apart from knowing about Koy Thuon and Pang
- 9 disappearing that you never heard or noticed that anyone else
- 10 disappeared during that entire period?
- 11 A. I did not know, or I did not notice, any other people who had
- 12 disappeared. I only knew about them.
- 13 Q. Thank you, Mr. Pean Khean.
- 14 [09.35.57]
- 15 Now, when we stopped on the 3rd of May, we were discussing your
- 16 prior interviews before coming here to the Court to testify, and
- 17 you said to us -- if I recall correctly -- that you had had two
- 18 interviews; is that correct?
- 19 A. Yes, I have had two interviews.
- 20 Q. And can you tell us who those interviews were with?
- 21 A. I do not recollect.
- 22 Q. Now, we showed you, two weeks ago, a document which is a
- 23 record of your interview with the investigators from this Court.
- 24 And that document is dated the 27th of August, 2009.
- 25 [09.37.33]

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- 1 Do you recall having that interview?
- 2 A. In 2009, to my recollection, yes. There was an interview.
- 3 Q. And do you recall who your other interview was with? Or do you
- 4 not recall that right now?
- 5 A. I cannot recall the people whom I had interviewed with, but I
- 6 do recall that I had had two interviews.
- 7 Q. Thank you.
- 8 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 9 Mr. President, at this time, I'd like to show the witness
- 10 document E187.1. This is the document which Your Honours admitted
- 11 at our hearing, I believe, on the 2nd or 3rd of May, and it's
- 12 E187.1; it is a summary of an interview.
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Yes, you may proceed.
- 15 Court officer is instructed to take the document from the
- 16 International Co-Prosecutor and present it to the witness.
- 17 BY MR. ABDULHAK:
- 18 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 19 [09.40.15]
- 20 Q. Mr. Pean Khean, have you been given a copy of this document by
- 21 Court staff before coming here to testify today?
- 22 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 23 A. Yes, I was given this document, but I cannot recall it due to
- 24 my forgetfulness.
- 25 Q. We understand, Mr. Pean Khean. This document appears to be a

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- 1 summary of a conversation that you had on the 25th of July 2005.
- 2 And it was a conversation about the issues that we've been
- 3 discussing these last few days. Does that refresh your memory? Do
- 4 you recall whether the people you met spoke to you in July 2005,
- 5 or around that time?
- 6 A. I can only recall that my first interview -- well, in that
- 7 interview there was -- there were two Cambodians, one female and
- 8 two or three men. And there were also two other foreigners, one
- 9 male and one female. And in my second interview, I could not
- 10 recall the names of the interviewers. They were all male
- 11 Cambodian people, and one foreigner.
- 12 [09.42.49]
- 13 Q. Very well. Perhaps to focus in a bit and see how much of this
- 14 you may be able to recall -- I'm going to ask my case manager to
- 15 show the Khmer page ERN 00801770. If we could show that one the
- 16 screen?
- 17 Mr. Pean Khean, if you're looking at a hard copy that should be
- 18 on the third page -- the third page, which has the number
- 19 00801770 in the top left-hand corner.
- 20 I'm just going to read to you two brief passages from this
- 21 document and ask if you can recall saying that to these people
- 22 that you met quote:
- 23 "I was not involved with the CIA, KGB etc., or any coup plot, so
- 24 I don't know why I was named as a traitor. But I lived in fear
- 25 because everybody kept disappearing, and even though I did not

- 1 know whether they were alive or dead, there were whisperings that
- 2 people who disappeared were dead."
- 3 [09.44.36]
- 4 And then the next brief passage, very much related:
- 5 "We had some freedom to move around, and we could see that people
- 6 were disappearing. The word used was 'removed' (dak), but
- 7 everyone increasingly assumed that some were arrested. Being
- 8 'removed' sometimes really meant being transferred, but at other
- 9 times it meant arrest."
- 10 Mr. Pean Khean, do you recall making this statement? Is this a
- 11 correct summary of what you said to these people?
- 12 A. Yes, that was my understanding. The situation back then was
- 13 like what I described in my interview.
- 14 [09.45.58]
- 15 Q. Thank you very much. We may move on to -- or, rather, I'll
- 16 just stay on this topic very briefly. You have testified, of
- 17 course, that at one stage Pang himself disappeared. Do you recall
- 18 how you find out that he disappeared or was arrested?
- 19 A. Then I did not see him being arrested, but I stayed in his
- 20 place on a daily basis at K-1. We actually resided their
- 21 together, but a few days later he mysteriously disappeared and I
- 22 kept suspecting what had happened to him, because I could not get
- 23 any information about his disappearance. But a few days later, I
- 24 learned from some of my friends that Pang had been arrested. Then
- 25 I did not bother to dwell on the matters.

- 1 Q. Mr. Pean Khean, we might just return briefly to that 2005
- 2 record of interview. If we could show that on the screen, Your
- 3 Honours?
- 4 [09.48.05]
- 5 This is Khmer ERN 00801769. It should be the second page in the
- 6 Khmer language. And I just realized I haven't been giving French
- 7 and English ERNs. The English ERN is 00089701, and the French ERN
- 8 for this passage is 00644575.
- 9 So, Mr. Pean Khean, returning to this document, as I said, on the
- 10 second page in the Khmer language-- If we could show that on the
- 11 screen, Your Honours?
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 Yes, you may proceed.
- 14 BY MR. ABDULHAK:
- 15 Q. Mr. Pean Khean, just to see if this refreshes your memory at
- 16 all -- there is a paragraph which starts with the words "Pang was
- 17 replaced by Lin, who died on the border of heart disease".
- 18 [09.49.17]
- 19 What I'm interested in is a couple sentences further from that
- 20 sentence. There's a passage which states: "It was said Pang had
- 21 committed treason. We heard that Pang had committed treason,
- 22 although there was no official announcement."
- 23 And to complete that quote: "I was never sure whether Koy Thuon
- 24 was alive or dead, nor was I sure about what had happened to
- 25 Pang."

- 1 Mr. Pean Khean, is this a correct summary of what you said,
- 2 namely that you heard that Pang had committed treason but you
- 3 didn't know that for a fact?
- 4 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 5 A. That was correct. But the name here should be Koy Khuon,
- 6 rather than Koy Thuon, here. That is according to my
- 7 recollection.
- 8 Q. Thank you for pointing that out.
- 9 [09.50.40]
- 10 I might just brief -- pause here very briefly, Your Honours, and
- 11 for the record -- because there's been use of different names --
- 12 Koy Thuon and Koy Khuon -- both having the alias Thuch -- I'll
- 13 just briefly note for the record; document IS 5.39 sheds some
- 14 light on this issue. I don't want to go into great detail in
- 15 front of the witness, other than to indicate that, at Khmer ERN
- 16 00005994 and the pages following, you will find signatures and
- 17 dates with the name "Khuon" being used. These documents are from
- 18 February and March 1977.
- 19 To give one example of a page which is available in all three
- 20 languages -- Khmer ERN 00006066 is such a page signed by Khuon.
- 21 It is available in both English and French. The English ERN is
- 22 00769830, and the French ERN is 00766794.
- 23 [09.52.03]
- 24 And without further ado, I will continue. I just wanted to note,
- 25 for the record, that this document does shed light on the use of

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- 1 these two names.
- 2 Mr. Pean Khean, returning to Pang's arrest and disappearance. You
- 3 said to us that Pang was an assistant to the senior leaders. When
- 4 he disappeared, was it widely known among people working with you
- 5 -- did people know and notice that he had disappeared?
- 6 A. Back then, in general, they knew that he had disappeared;
- 7 people who were living in K-1 and K-3.
- 8 Q. You said you were afraid following Koy Khuon's disappearance.
- 9 Were you afraid -- or, how did you feel following Pang's
- 10 disappearance?
- 11 A. Frankly speaking, when Koy Thuon disappeared, I was living in
- 12 fear, and then, when again Pang disappeared, I was even more
- 13 terrified, but I did not really understand the situation very
- 14 well.
- 15 Q. As far as you know, did anyone ever come to investigate what
- 16 happened with Panq? Did anyone ever try to find out where he
- 17 went, in K-1 or elsewhere, as far as you know?
- 18 A. Since his disappearance, there was no investigation whatsoever
- 19 -- was conducted.
- 20 Q. Moving on to another topic, Mr. Pean Khean, we discussed, on
- 21 the 3rd of May, some of the meetings that you saw take place in
- 22 K-3.
- 23 [09.55.40]
- 24 And just to refresh everyone's memory, you said to us, in
- 25 relation to K-3, that sometimes, during the sessions, only this

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- 1 group of people would be seen, that is, the senior leaders,
- 2 because the sessions were not conducted for the popular masses,
- 3 but they were meant to be for this group of people. And that
- 4 group was, you said, Pol Pot, Nuon Chea, Khieu Samphan, Ieng
- 5 Sary, and sometimes Son Sen.
- 6 Do you recall how often you saw those meetings take place? Or how
- 7 often you knew they took place?
- 8 A. To my recollection, back then, the meeting of this kind took
- 9 place around twice or three times a month.
- 10 Q. Thank you.
- 11 [09.57.06]
- 12 You were -- you said to us you were catering. You were in charge
- 13 of catering during some of these meetings. Did you ever enter the
- 14 room where the leaders met?
- 15 A. Back then, I did not enter the meeting venue, because I was in
- 16 charge of catering, but I stayed mainly in the kitchen, because I
- 17 had to ensure that the food was being properly prepared, and I
- 18 oversee the preparation of foods in the kitchens, basically.
- 19 Q. Did you hear from anyone or did you know in any other way what
- 20 the purpose of those meetings was?
- 21 A. As for the purpose or substance of the meetings of the
- 22 leaders, I did not know what it was all about.
- 23 Q. Very well.
- 24 [09.58.56]
- 25 You said to us that some of these meetings were only for this

- 1 small group of people. Were there other types of meetings --
- 2 larger meetings, perhaps, or meetings with other people -- that
- 3 you saw at K-3?
- 4 A. I did not see the outsiders, beside the few leaders.
- 5 Q. Did you ever hear about meetings with other people at K-3,
- 6 other than the leaders?
- 7 A. No, I never saw outsiders. I only saw three or four leaders.
- 8 Q. Very well.
- 9 [10.00.15]
- 10 We have limited time, so we'll move on.
- 11 I asked you last time if you recall whether Khieu Samphan ever
- 12 attended meetings with people working in K offices, and I -- if I
- 13 recall correctly, you said that you didn't see him having such
- 14 meetings. Did you ever see Khieu Samphan attend any meetings
- 15 other than the meetings with the senior leaders that you
- 16 described?
- 17 A. No, I didn't. I didn't see him other than at K-3 office. I had
- 18 no -- I have no knowledge of this.
- 19 Q. Your Honours, I'd like to return to the document number
- 20 E187.1, which was that 2005 interview summary, to see if we can
- 21 assist the witness in refreshing his memory. E187.1. Mr.
- 22 President, if we could have that document on the screen.
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 You may proceed.
- 25 Court officer is now instructed to pinpoint the portion the

- 1 prosecutor would wish to ask witness about to ensure that the
- 2 proceedings are more expeditious.
- 3 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 4 Thank you very much, Mr. President.
- 5 [10.02.18]
- 6 Court officer, you will find this next passage on the -- it
- 7 should be the third page of the Khmer version, and in the top
- 8 left-hand corner it should be ERN 00801770. It's the same page we
- 9 were looking at earlier. If we could -- if the AV Unit could
- 10 display that document on the screen, so it can be seen by all the
- 11 parties? Thank you.
- 12 BY MR. ABDULHAK:
- 13 Q. Mr. Pean Khean, I'll just read a brief passage from this that
- 14 relates to the issue we just discussed -- and I quote: "It was
- 15 Pang who arranged meetings, but Hem (Khieu Samphan) who chaired
- 16 things politically, but under Pol, who was in charge of political
- 17 meetings together with Nuon."
- 18 [10.03.22]
- 19 And the next sentence states: "Hem (Khieu Samphan) chaired the
- 20 meetings of Party branches of K offices. Hem (Khieu Samphan) was
- 21 superior to Pang."
- 22 Do you recall making that statement, Mr. Pean Khean?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And is it correct, as the statement indicates, that it was
- 25 Khieu Samphan who chaired things politically in meetings with K

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- 1 officers and that Pang arranged those meetings? Is that the
- 2 truth?
- 3 A. Yes, it is, through my observation back then.
- 4 [10.04.51]
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Counsel for Khieu Samphan, you may proceed.
- 7 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 8 We feel that the testimony of the witness is not very clear
- 9 whether he said such statement was made relevant to the time back
- 10 then or in the interview.
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Co Prosecutor may continue putting questions.
- 13 BY MR. ABDULHAK:
- 14 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 15 Q. Mr. Pean Khean, just continuing with this theme, do you recall
- 16 a place called Borei Keila? Do you know where that is?
- 17 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 18 A. I had heard of Borei Keila, but I don't recollect where it
- 19 could have been located.
- 20 Q. Thank you. Do you recall what Borei Keila was used for, what
- 21 this location was?
- 22 A. I have heard about the name of Borei Keila, but I don't know
- 23 what it is for.
- 24 [10.06.56]
- 25 Q. Do you recall whether any of the accused, that is, Nuon Chea,

- 1 Khieu Samphan or Ieng Sary, provided political education for
- 2 cadre in the period '75 to '79?
- 3 A. I don't know about this.
- 4 Q. Very well. Mr. President, with your permission we will return
- 5 to E 187.1 and a brief passage in this document, which is at
- 6 Khmer ERN same page as last, the one we discussed earlier,
- 7 00801770.
- 8 [10.08.24]
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 You may proceed.
- 11 Court officer is now instructed to assist the witness concerning
- 12 the portion of the document the Co Prosecutor is now wishing to
- 13 put questions to the witness.
- 14 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 15 I'm grateful, Mr. President. For the record, the relevant ERNs,
- in French this is at 00644576; in English it is 0089701. If the
- 17 Court officer could show this page to the witness? This passage
- 18 is at the bottom of this page. If the AV Unit could assist us
- 19 with having this document shown on the screen?
- 20 BY MR. ABDULHAK:
- 21 Q. I am interested in one brief passage here, Mr. Pean Khean:
- 22 "Nuon Chea and Hem (Khieu Samphan) gave high-level political
- 23 education at Borei Keila for Phnom Penh ministry and grassroots
- 24 cadre. Pang organized these meetings with Kham My providing
- 25 security. Those attending these meetings slept in villas around

- 1 Borei Keila and ate inside the perimeter."
- 2 Is this a correct summary of your -- of what you said to these
- 3 people in 2005, Mr. Pean Khean?
- 4 [10.10.21]
- 5 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 6 A. Yes, it is.
- 7 Q. Could you assist us with this term "high-level political
- 8 education"? What does that refer to, Mr. Pean Khean?
- 9 A. My observation is that, normally surrounding K 1, K 2, and K
- 10 3, Pang was the one who regularly in charge, but at Borei Keila,
- 11 on one occasion, I saw some senior people or leaders coming to
- 12 start the session. Those people include Uncle Hem, and Pang also
- 13 was there. So I can conclude that at that time the meeting must
- 14 have been at a higher level than the normal meeting Pang would
- 15 chair.
- 16 [10.12.03]
- 17 And the meeting could have been about how to construct the
- 18 country, how to establish property use, and how people could be
- 19 educated not to be overjoyed, and others.
- 20 And the content of the meeting was more important than the normal
- 21 meeting to ordinary peasants or workers because we were reminded
- 22 about the political line, about how to construct a country, how
- 23 to make the country prosper, and how to ensure that the people
- 24 had enough to eat, and I read about this in the document.
- 25 Q. Could you help us understand; who were the people that

- 1 attended these meetings who received the education? Were they
- 2 lower level cadre, were they senior people, or otherwise?
- 3 A. At that time, I don't know the people who were there, but I
- 4 quess at least people at sector levels or at least people who
- 5 would be working surrounding K offices attending the meeting,
- 6 although I don't know from which ministries they could have been
- 7 from, but they were senior.
- 8 [10.14.52]
- 9 Q. Did you, yourself, ever attend these meetings, or did you just
- 10 see them take place?
- 11 A. I was invited to attend the meeting as well. And the content
- 12 of the meeting, as I indicated earlier already, it was all about
- 13 that.
- 14 Q. And who did you hear speaking at that meeting that you
- 15 attended?
- 16 A. I don't recollect. I don't remember the person who was
- 17 speaking, but I recall the names of those people, in particular,
- 18 the leaders I already named.
- 19 Q. And do I understand correctly that it was that meeting which
- 20 you attended that you saw Khieu Samphan and Pang, and please add
- 21 if there were any others; is that the meeting that you have been
- 22 describing?
- 23 [10.16.41]
- 24 A. Yes, it is correct.
- 25 Q. Do you recall if that particular meeting was attended by Nuon

- 1 Chea or Ieng Sary?
- 2 A. So far as I recollect, Om Ieng Sary was not present, but Om
- 3 Nuon Chea was there.
- 4 Q. You said to us that some of the things that were taught were
- 5 about the political line. Could you be a little bit more
- 6 specific, tell us what that political line was?
- 7 A. After the 17th of April 1975, when Phnom Penh was liberated,
- 8 the first political line was to rebuild the country; secondly, to
- 9 defend its -- to defend the country; thirdly, to establish the
- 10 cooperatives and create the collective regime, and encourage the
- 11 people and the popular masses to build canals and dams to ensure
- 12 that the country can prosper quickly.
- 13 I cannot go deep inside the matter concerning the national
- 14 defence, but we were educated to protect our country from any
- 15 outside intrusion, and also to -- we were asked to ensure that
- 16 the American imperialists could never return. So these are the
- 17 two main things about the national defence side of the meeting on
- 18 the political line.
- 19 [10.19.39]
- 20 Q. Thank you very much, Pean Khean, for these comprehensive
- 21 answers.
- 22 Just to see if we can explore that last point a little bit
- 23 further. You also said to us, on the 3rd of May, that the -- in
- 24 some of the meetings you attended you were taught about enemies
- 25 who were affiliated with the American CIA and who had infiltrated

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- 1 the Party, as well as those who were KGB Agents and the
- 2 Vietnamese or the Yuon.
- 3 As far as you recall, were all of these groups against whom you
- 4 were taught to defend the country?
- 5 A. These two groups are the same group.
- 6 [10.20.56]
- 7 Q. Thank you. And were you told about where these enemies were
- 8 and how you might defend the country against them?
- 9 A. The most important thing, first, we were asked to stop the
- 10 Vietnamese from invade the country, and to stop the American
- 11 imperialists from returning to the country. So these are the two
- 12 main points concerning the national defence.
- 13 Q. Given that you had told us that some of these people
- 14 infiltrated the Party, was there any discussion about how they
- 15 might be discovered, what might be done, in respect of those that
- 16 infiltrated the Party?
- 17 A. Normally people were reminded to watch over people who
- 18 violated the political line. Anyone who abused the line could
- 19 have been viewed as someone who did things against the Party, and
- 20 I don't know any other things other than this.
- 21 Q. Thank you very much, Mr. Pean Khean. I will briefly move on in
- 22 the time remaining to another topic and see if we can deal with
- 23 it quickly.
- 24 You said to us that you went or were sent to Svay Meas after
- 25 Pang's disappearance. Do you recall when this happened and who

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- 1 sent you to Svay Meas?
- 2 [10.24.01]
- 3 A. Before the Vietnamese came into Phnom Penh, it was about three
- 4 months before that I was sent to Svay Meas, a small cooperative
- 5 where I would be tempered. The cooperative was meant for
- 6 tempering people, refashioning people, and I did not know what I
- 7 did wrong. I knew that I was with Koy Thuon and I was afraid, and
- 8 that's all.
- 9 Q. And who -- could you just recall for us who it was that sent
- 10 you to Svay Meas?
- 11 A. It was Yom who sent me there. I did not know where or from
- 12 whom Yom could have received instruction, but he was the chief of
- 13 the office at Preaek Pra.
- 14 Q. Thank you, and who did you go -- were you sent there alone or
- 15 with anyone else?
- 16 [10.25.59]
- 17 A. My family and I were sent alone. No other people were sent
- 18 along with us.
- 19 Q. When you say your family, who was that?
- 20 A. Family here referred to my wife; indeed no other people.
- 21 Q. Thank you. And what did you do at Svay Meas? Did you have any
- 22 position or responsibilities there?
- 23 A. So far as remembered when I was there at the beginning I was
- 24 fishing, looking for food, and later on I was tasked with
- 25 planting or growing vegetables and fixing the looms at Svay Meas

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- 1 before I was sent back to Phnom Penh.
- 2 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 3 I do realize we have limited time, Mr. President. I think it's
- 4 fair that I clarify some inconsistent -- potential
- 5 inconsistencies with respect to this matter. If I could be
- 6 granted leave for an extra ten minutes or so, I'd like to show
- 7 the witness that interview again. I could do that now, or if Your
- 8 Honours prefer, we could continue after the break, or I can just
- 9 take the two minutes that are left.
- 10 [10.28.09]
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Indeed, you may proceed, and make sure that you have the floor
- 13 before the break. After the adjournment then we will proceed to
- 14 the civil party counsels.
- 15 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 16 Thank you, Mr. President. If we could show that document very
- 17 briefly, again, it's E187.1. This is at Khmer ERN 00801769. It is
- 18 English ERN 00089701, and French ERN 00644575. If we could show
- 19 that document to the witness, Your Honours.
- 20 [10.29.08]
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 You may proceed.
- 23 BY MR. ABDULHAK:
- 24 Thank you very much, Mr. President.
- 25 If we could have that on the screen, AV Unit, and given that time

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- 1 is limited, I will start reading.
- 2 Q. Mr. Pean Khean, on the page that you were shown, the summary
- 3 states:
- 4 "I was sent by Lin to take charge of Svay Meas pagoda after Pang
- 5 was arrested. At the end of 1978, I was in charge of first of Wat
- 6 Svay Meas and then workers at Ph-1, which was then under Ra(f),
- 7 Ieng Sary's youngest daughter."
- 8 Is that a correct summary of what happened, Mr. Pean Khean?
- 9 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 10 A. This happened after I had already been at Svay Meas, and after
- 11 I had been sent to Phnom Penh to work as a worker. And I worked
- 12 in a group, a big group, about 100 people. These workers were
- 13 managed by Lin who later on passed down this responsibility to a
- 14 person by the name Ra.
- 15 [10.31.03]
- 16 Q. And is this Ra the person that this document describes as Ieng
- 17 Sary's daughter, or his youngest daughter to be more precise?
- 18 A. I don't know whether Ra was the daughter of Hem, but I told
- 19 that the person was called Ra and no other specific information
- 20 was given to me other than this.
- 21 Q. Thank you. So as a person who at one stage was in charge of
- 22 Svay Meas, what were your responsibilities, what did you do?
- 23 [10.32.17]
- 24 A. The term responsible of being in charge here refers to what I
- 25 was saying is that I was in charge or responsible for being

- 1 tempered. It has nothing to do with the role as a leader or as a
- 2 person who was leading a group. I was being responsible for being
- 3 tempered.
- 4 Q. So you were not in charge of anyone at Svay Meas, you were
- 5 simply being tempered, is that your evidence?
- 6 A. Yes, it is.
- 7 Q. Do you recall whether Svay Meas had any code number allocated
- 8 to it?
- 9 [10.33.44]
- 10 A. I know nothing other than what Svay Meas or Svay Meas Pagoda,
- 11 as the location was named, because there was a pagoda there, and
- 12 when I was there I saw the pagoda, the old pagoda.
- 13 Q. You said you were sent there with your wife for tempering.
- 14 Could you describe briefly the conditions of people who were held
- 15 there? What did they do; did they do any work; how were they
- 16 kept?
- 17 A. My spouse and I had been offered two meals per day and we had
- 18 to work a schedule. For example, from the morning we would be
- 19 working until lunch break, and at 1 o'clock we would start
- 20 working again and would break at 4 p.m. And like other people, we
- 21 were treated equally.
- 22 [10.35.19]
- 23 Q. If you were sent there to be tempered, what did this tempering
- 24 entail?
- 25 A. Tempering is nothing other than being offered the daily

- 1 activity to do. For example, people would be asked to do labour
- 2 work, to fix the looms and digging -- or carrying the earth and
- 3 also other tasks involved as I indicated.
- 4 Q. And I will ask you one -- or possibly two final questions, Mr.
- 5 Pean Khean, on a separate topic. I just want to make sure that
- 6 we've exhausted your memory.
- 7 You talked to us about your stay in Oudong in early 1975 with Koy
- 8 Khuon, and you said that at this time you knew of Pol Pot, Son
- 9 Sen and Ya -- this was on the 2nd of May -- and you also said to
- 10 us that there was a meeting or meetings of senior leaders to
- 11 discuss the attack on Phnom Penh.
- 12 [10.37.11]
- 13 Is there anything about those meetings that I have not asked you,
- 14 Mr. Pean Khean, that you can assist us with; what was discussed,
- 15 what if any decisions were made?
- 16 A. I only knew that there was a plan to attack, to liberate Phnom
- 17 Penh. I knew nothing other than this.
- 18 Q. And my final question, Mr. Pean Khean, after you came to Phnom
- 19 Penh did you ever hear what happened to people in the Lon Nol
- 20 government such as Lon Nol, Sirik Matak or Long Boret?
- 21 A. I don't know what happened to them, but I know that Lon Nol
- 22 fled to the United States, and I have no knowledge of what
- 23 happened to other people.
- 24 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 25 Thank you, Mr. Pean Khean, for coming and testifying.

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- 1 [10.39.08]
- 2 Thank you, Your Honours, for the extra time; I'm very grateful.
- 3 And that concludes our examination.
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 Thank you.
- 6 It is now appropriate time for the adjournment. We will adjourn
- 7 for 20 minutes. The next session will be resumed at 11 o'clock.
- 8 When we resume, Lead Co-Lawyers for the civil parties will be
- 9 offered the floor, and the Chamber allocates, as requested, one
- 10 hour and 10 minutes for the civil parties.
- 11 Counsel for Ieng Sary, you may proceed.
- 12 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 13 Thank you, Mr. President. Due to my client's health reason, he as
- 14 requested that he be permitted to observe the proceeding from his
- 15 holding cell from now until the end of the day.
- 16 [10.40.24]
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 The Chamber has noted the request by Ieng Sary through his
- 19 counsels requesting that he be allowed to observe the proceedings
- 20 from his holding cell for the whole day starting from now. And he
- 21 has stated that he couldn't remain seated in the courtroom due to
- 22 his health reason.
- 23 The Chamber, therefore, grants such request, the request that has
- 24 been made through his counsel to waive his right to be directly
- 25 observing the proceeding in the courtroom, but instead be

- 1 permitted to observe the proceedings from his holding cell for
- 2 the whole day today.
- 3 Counsels for Mr. Ieng Sary are instructed to produce the waiver
- 4 signed or given thumbprint by Mr. Ieng Sary.
- 5 AV booth officers are now instructed to ensure that the
- 6 video-link is well connected to the holding cell, and personnel
- 7 securities are now instructed to bring the accused person to the
- 8 holding cell so that he can observe the proceeding from there.
- 9 (Court recesses from 1042H to 1102H)
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Please be seated. The Court is now back in session.
- 12 Next, we would like to hand over to the Lead Co-Lawyers for the
- 13 civil parties. You may proceed.
- 14 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 15 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours. Good
- 16 morning, everyone.
- 17 QUESTIONING BY MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 18 Q. Good morning, Mr. Witness, Mr. Pean Khean. I don't have many
- 19 questions. The Co-Prosecutor has asked a great number of
- 20 questions, but I do have a few questions to put to you.
- 21 [11.04.19]
- 22 And I'd like to start from the last thing that you testified to
- 23 before the Co-Investigating Judges on 27 August 2009 in document
- 24 276. "What do you expect of the ECCC?", which was the last
- 25 question that was put to you, and you answered: "I would hope for

- 1 the ECCC to find justice for the country and for the Cambodian
- 2 people."
- 3 Mr. Pean Khean, can you please elaborate on what you meant by
- 4 that statement?
- 5 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 6 A. I do not think I understand your question. Could you please
- 7 repeat it?
- 8 [11.05.20]
- 9 Q. You told the Co-Investigating Judges: "I would hope for the
- 10 ECCC" -- the Extraordinary Chambers of -- before which you are
- 11 testifying today -- "I would hope for the ECCC to find justice
- 12 for the country and for the Cambodian people."
- 13 Can you please tell us what you mean by that statement?
- 14 A. I was saying that I wanted the Tribunal to find justice for
- 15 Cambodian victims, the true justice, and I want that these things
- 16 would never happen again in the future and I would like Cambodia
- 17 to be in peace and harmony.
- 18 Q. Thank you very much. So all of the information that you've
- 19 provided to us today are, in one way or another or, is a way
- 20 for us to find justice for the Cambodian people and that is why
- 21 in your answer it is important to be as precise as possible so
- 22 that you can provide to us the most information as possible.
- 23 [11.07.08]
- 24 My first question for you is as follows. You stated that you were
- 25 recruited into the revolution when you were 16 years of age. That

- 1 means that you were at an age when you were still a child.
- 2 To your knowledge, were many children recruited and brought into
- 3 the revolution?
- 4 A. So far as I recollect, people in villages and districts were
- 5 brought into the revolution; people including the tribal people
- 6 in Rattanakiri as well.
- 7 In a nutshell, everyone all across the country was asked to join
- 8 the revolution. However, it is about joining the revolution first
- 9 or later, and I was the one who joined the revolution at an early
- 10 age and, later on, everyone else joined the revolution regardless
- 11 of their aging groups.
- 12 Q. Thank you. Regardless of the age of an individual, in your
- 13 opinion, why were children in particular recruited?
- 14 A. I don't know the reason behind this.
- 15 [11.09.28]
- 16 Q. What kind of tasks were children assigned?
- 17 A. I did not notice any significant tasks being assigned to
- 18 children. For example, in my case, I was tasked with delivering
- 19 letters, growing vegetables; just normal tasks.
- 20 Q. Thank you.
- 21 At one point or another, were you a member of Communist Party of
- 22 Kampuchea?
- 23 A. I don't know about a member of the CPK, but I joined in the
- 24 movement, the movement that was joined by other, and that's all I
- 25 know.

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- 1 Q. Were you married, Witness?
- 2 A. I was not married back then.
- 3 Q. Before arriving Phnom Penh on 17 April 1975, you served in the
- 4 revolution for approximately seven years. During those seven
- 5 years, did you notice any disappearances?
- 6 A. No, I didn't.
- 7 [11.12.16]
- 8 Q. Were people sent to be re-educated during the period prior to
- 9 1975?
- 10 A. I've never seen people being sent.
- 11 Q. Mr. Witness, you told us that you spent 10 years with Koy
- 12 Khuon and his wife, 10 years in total. You testified that he did
- 13 not talk to you about his work. Did he talk to you about the
- 14 revolution?
- 15 A. Yes, he did. He used to talk about revolution. Revolution here
- 16 refers to the struggle to liberate the country and he talked
- 17 about people all across Cambodia were expected to rise and
- 18 struggle to liberate the country from the American imperialists.
- 19 Q. Sometime before his arrest, did he talk to you about any of
- 20 his concerns over his -- over his own fate or himself?
- 21 A. I don't know.
- 22 [11.14.45]
- 23 Q. You told the Court that when he was arrested you were sent to
- 24 deliver a good meal. Do you know why you were chosen to deliver
- 25 this meal as you had known him for a long time?

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- 1 A. Pang was the person who assigned me with this task.
- 2 Q. Did Pang confer upon you an additional mission on top of
- 3 bringing him that meal; did he ask you to try and obtain any
- 4 information or anything else?
- 5 A. No, he didn't.
- 6 Q. You testified and told the Court that you were at Chraing
- 7 Chamres up until the arrest of Mr. Koy Khuon. Do you know who
- 8 followed Koy Khuon?
- 9 A. I don't know.
- 10 Q. Do you know So Hong?
- 11 [11.17.07]
- 12 A. Yes, I do. Mr. So Hong was a medic. He worked for Pol Pot.
- 13 After the liberation of Phnom Penh, Mr. So Hong worked at the
- 14 Ministry of Foreign Affairs, but I had no further contact with
- 15 him anymore.
- 16 Q. Were you, yourself, interrogated following the arrest of Mr.
- 17 Koy Khuon?
- 18 A. No, I wasn't. Other people were removed from -- or were
- 19 transferred from Chraing Chamres to other locations unknown to
- 20 me.
- 21 Q. With respect to Svay Meas, are you aware who decided to send
- 22 people to Svay Meas?
- 23 A. No, I'm not.
- 24 Q. When you were at Svay Meas with other people, had you heard
- 25 that people were being sent from Svay Meas to S-21?

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- 1 A. No, I hadn't.
- 2 [11.19.18]
- 3 Q. And during the time that you were at Svay Meas, people were
- 4 departing from Svay Meas and they were going elsewhere. Were you
- 5 aware of this?
- 6 A. No, I wasn't. I was there briefly before I was returned to
- 7 Phnom Penh to know about this.
- 8 Q. This morning, the Co-Prosecutor read an excerpt from one of
- 9 your interviews in which you identified Kham My. Who is this
- 10 person, who is Kham My?
- 11 A. Kham My was the head of the security force -- or security
- 12 unit.
- 13 Q. What was the name of that unit?
- 14 A. It was a -- the Y-10 unit.
- 15 Q. Thank you. Was that unit responsible for arresting people?
- 16 A. No, I don't know because I have never seen what the unit was
- 17 doing.
- 18 [11.22.21]
- 19 Q. Who was the chief -- or who was the superior to Kham My?
- 20 A. Kham My received orders from Pang.
- 21 Q. And from whom did Pang receive his orders?
- 22 A. In general, Pang received direct orders from Pol Pot.
- 23 Q. You stated that you were accused of being a traitor and that
- 24 you didn't understand why you were being accused as a traitor. Do
- you know who accused you of being a traitor?

- 1 A. Normally if a head of a unit was arrested, his subordinates
- 2 would be implicated as the elements -- bad elements that could
- 3 have been affiliated with the work of his or her superior. And I
- 4 was afraid because of that.
- 5 Q. At the beginning of May, you said that Angkar had arrested Koy
- 6 Khuon, who was your superior. You are saying today that
- 7 subordinates were very often, as a general rule, arrested as
- 8 well. You're saying that there's a link between the arrest of Koy
- 9 Khuon and the fact that you yourself were named as a traitor. Is
- 10 this what you are saying?
- 11 A. It is just my surmise and concern -- I was -- my concern was
- 12 that I would be accused of being a traitor, and I was intimidated
- 13 by the arrest of my superior.
- 14 [11.26.04]
- 15 I noted that people in the unit kept disappearing, and I started
- 16 to be very afraid.
- 17 Q. However, if Angkar decided that Mr. Koy Khuon would be
- 18 arrested, who would decide that Koy Khuon's subordinates should
- 19 also disappear?
- 20 A. I don't know. That's all I understand.
- 21 Q. Sir, from 1968 to 1979, during the revolution, did you obey
- 22 orders given by your hierarchical superiors?
- 23 A. In general, a person had to be appointed or assigned to
- 24 perform any particular task. Not necessarily me myself. And if
- 25 the task was assigned, the person who was assigned with the task

- 1 had to obey it.
- 2 Q. And if one did not obey the orders, what would happen?
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 The question is more hypothetical, so the witness is instructed
- 5 not to respond to it.
- 6 [11.28.40]
- 7 This fact does not happen and counsel is instructed not to refer
- 8 to any hypothetical fact to put question to the witness.
- 9 BY MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 10 Q. When one did not obey orders, did you notice anything happen?
- 11 Did you witness or hear about anything that would happen as a
- 12 consequence of a person not obeying orders?
- 13 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 14 A. Normally, during the daytime, people would be assigned to work
- 15 as usual, and in the evenings, we would be invited to attend the
- 16 criticism sessions, so that we could be criticized to correct our
- 17 mistakes or to correct what we hadn't done properly during the
- 18 daytime, so that we could do better the next day.
- 19 Q. Bearing in mind your experience in the revolution, Witness,
- 20 did you have any opportunity or any leeway to say no to actually
- 21 performing a task?
- 22 A. Yes, there were some. For example, if they sent a messenger,
- 23 and that messenger found that it was too difficult to send the
- 24 message alone, then we may say no to that order.
- 25 Q. And the orders that went directly to you?

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- 1 Were you allowed to refuse?
- 2 [11.32.05]
- 3 A. As I said earlier, where I found that it was impossible to
- 4 accomplish the task alone, I would refuse it.
- 5 Q. Thank you. One last question; on the 2nd of May, you told us
- 6 that Koy Khuon had been arrested by Angkar. And then the
- 7 Co-Prosecutor asked you what was Angkar, and you said it was the
- 8 leadership. Then the Co-Prosecutor said; who were the leaders?
- 9 And you said it was Pol Pot, Nuon Chea, Ieng Sary, and Khieu
- 10 Samphan, and Son Sen.
- 11 [11.33.17]
- 12 Koy Khuon was arrested by Angkar. What about Pang -- Pang, who
- 13 was in charge of Office K-1 and K-3 and in charge of 870? Who
- 14 arrested Pang?
- 15 A. That, I don't know. I did not know who arrested him, but I
- 16 merely knew that he had disappeared.
- 17 Q. Who were Pang's superiors?
- 18 A. Pang received instruction directly from Pol Pot. All tasks
- 19 undertaken by Pang was ordered by Pol Pot.
- 20 Q. Thank you, Witness. I have no further questions. Excuse me, in
- 21 case I wasn't heard. Thank you very much, I have no further
- 22 questions.
- 23 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 24 The National Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties, you may
- 25 proceed.

- 1 The National Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties, you may
- 2 proceed.
- 3 QUESTIONING BY MR. PICH ANG:
- 4 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours. Good
- 5 morning, colleagues. Good morning members of the public in the
- 6 gallery.
- 7 [11.35.23]
- 8 I am the National Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties. I have
- 9 some questions to put to the witness for the remainder of the
- 10 time allotted to the civil party lawyers.
- 11 Q. I would like to start my question with the time when you were
- 12 in Rattanakiri. When you were working as a messenger in
- 13 Rattanakiri, did you know who was in charge of the sector in
- 14 Rattanakiri province?
- 15 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 16 A. At that time, I did not know. I did not know the secretary of
- 17 the sector or the district.
- 18 Q. At that time, you were a messenger in Andoung Meas district.
- 19 Did you work as a messenger for this district, or you worked as a
- 20 messenger for other leaders outside of Andoung Meas district?
- 21 [11.36.48]
- 22 $\,$ A. At that time, I was a messenger attached to Andoung Meas
- 23 district.
- 24 Q. Did you receive any training or attend any meeting as a
- 25 messenger attached to Andoung Meas district?

- 1 A. There was no specific training also, but there was some
- 2 reminders that, as the messengers, we had to deliver the message.
- 3 And -- but there was no actually systematic training or so.
- 4 Q. Did you ever receive any instruction -- or, so, that if you
- 5 ever tampered with the letter or message then you would risk
- 6 being arrested, or so?
- 7 A. At that time, they advised us to be vigilant. If anything
- 8 happened -- for example, a letter was lost -- then what would
- 9 happen to me as the messenger, I did not know. They did not
- 10 actually tell me specifically.
- 11 [11.38.44]
- 12 Q. Did you ever receive any instruction or training on the
- 13 Party's policy?
- 14 A. No, I did not.
- 15 Q. I would like to move on to the next phase, when you were
- 16 working as a messenger in Kampong Thom.
- 17 Apart from your role as the messenger, did you observe the
- 18 overall treatment of people in Kampong Thom, the place where you
- 19 were working?
- 20 A. No, I did not see any irregular treatment.
- 21 Q. Did you hear the word "evacuation" in the area where you lived
- 22 -- namely in Sandan and Santuk districts?
- 23 A. No, I never heard or saw the evacuation. Because when I
- 24 arrived there, people had already stayed there.
- 25 [11.40.32]

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- 1 Q. Before April 1975, did you stay with Koy Thuon, from late 1974
- 2 to early 1975?
- 3 A. Yes, I stayed with him.
- 4 Q. Did you happen to know that Koy Thuon had travelled to attend
- 5 meetings?
- 6 A. I do not understand your question.
- 7 Q. Did you know that Koy Thuon had attended meetings with anyone
- 8 before the attack on Phnom Penh on the -- in April 1975?
- 9 A. Generally, Koy Thuon received instruction from Pol Pot.
- 10 Q. You said that Koy Thuon received instruction from Pol Pot. How
- 11 did you know that Koy Thuon received instruction from Pol Pot?
- 12 A. The reason why I said Koy Thuon received instruction from Pol
- 13 Pot -- because before -- wherever he went, he would go and see
- 14 Pol Pot first.
- 15 Q. Did you see his meeting with Pol Pot by your own eyes, or did
- 16 you accompany Koy Thuon to see Pol Pot?
- 17 A. Yes, I did see them meet.
- 18 O. When was it?
- 19 [11.43.33]
- 20 A. It was in Chamkar Leu district.
- 21 Q. Where was the meeting on the attack of Phnom Penh held?
- 22 A. I cannot recall the exact location, but it was somewhere in
- 23 Chamkar Leu district.
- 24 Q. Did Koy Thuon ever meet Pol Pot in any other venues before the
- 25 attack on Phnom Penh?

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- 1 A. That I do not know.
- 2 Q. Thank you.
- 3 I move on to the next question. Did you know when Koy Thuon first
- 4 came to Phnom Penh?
- 5 [11.45.13]
- 6 A. Koy Thuon came to Phnom Penh on the liberation day. That was
- 7 on the 17th of April 1975, sometime in the afternoon -- late
- 8 afternoon, around four or five in the afternoon.
- 9 Q. Did you come along with Koy Thuon then, or you came on the
- 10 other day, after Koy Thuon arrived in Phnom Penh?
- 11 A. Koy Thuon came to Phnom Penh earlier, and I followed. I left
- 12 Oudong around 4.30 in the afternoon.
- 13 Q. You said Damnak Smach -- was it the location where Pol Pot
- 14 based his forces? Or it was a different place?
- 15 A. Well, that was the base of Division 304, led by Koy Thuon
- 16 himself.
- 17 Q. When you were travelling to Phnom Penh, did you come alone or
- 18 in group?
- 19 [11.47.30]
- 20 And what was the general condition or situation when you were
- 21 travelling into Phnom Penh?
- 22 A. I left the base to Phnom Penh and I was riding on a motorcycle
- 23 alone. No, but actually somebody took me on a motorcycle.
- 24 Q. Did you see people marching or walking along the street?
- 25 A. Along the street, I saw people walking and travelling by

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- 1 trucks.
- 2 Q. What was the condition of the people walking along the street
- 3 or travelling along the street? Were they solider or civilians?
- 4 A. Well, they were not soldiers; they were Phnom Penh dwellers
- 5 who left the city.
- 6 Q. Did they march or walk out of the city by themself, or they
- 7 were being escorted by others?
- 8 A. I did not see any people escort them. They simply walk along
- 9 the streets.
- 10 [11.50.17]
- 11 Q. Did you happen to see soldiers walking or loitering in the
- 12 city?
- 13 A. No, I didn't.
- 14 Q. Did you see the elderly, young people, or monks walk among
- 15 other people on the street?
- 16 A. Immediately after Phnom Penh was liberated, the city was not
- 17 busy. But after that, there were people evacuated from the city.
- 18 Q. For a clarification, when you came -- when you travelled your
- 19 way to Phnom Penh -- what was the route of your travel?
- 20 A. I left Oudong and then I travelled all the way to Kampong
- 21 Speu. Then I came to Phnom Penh.
- 22 Q. Can you clarify whether or not the route you took was the
- 23 national route, or it was the secondary road leading to Phnom
- 24 Penh?
- 25 [11.52.38]

- 1 A. From Oudong to Kampong Speu, we took the secondary road; but
- 2 from Kampong Speu to Phnom Penh, we took the national road.
- 3 Q. When you first got to Phnom Penh, you said you stayed
- 4 somewhere near Wat Phnom. What was the specific location where
- 5 you stayed?
- 6 A. I do not -- I did not know the exact location. Somewhere near
- 7 Wat Phnom. But people generally call it "the French House".
- 8 Q. How far was it from Wat Phnom?
- 9 A. It was about half a kilometre.
- 10 Q. Which direction was it, if you compare with the Wat Phnom
- 11 landmark?
- 12 A. I cannot recall, but back then I did not even know Wat Phnom.
- 13 I first arrived in Phnom Penh and I stayed there for a short
- 14 period of time.
- 15 Q. When you got there, did you meet Koy Thuon immediately?
- 16 A. Yes, when I got there I met Koy Thuon over there.
- 17 [11.55.15]
- 18 Q. Did you have the freedom to walk around from the place where
- 19 you stayed at that time?
- 20 A. I do not understand your question.
- 21 Q. When you first got to the so called French house, you stayed
- 22 in the house, or you traveled to other places surrounding the
- 23 compound where you resided?
- 24 A. No, I did not go anywhere. When I first arrived, I stayed in
- 25 that location, but two or three days after that I was transferred

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- 1 to Chraing Chamres.
- 2 Q. When you were staying in that location, what was the general
- 3 living condition of the people surrounding that area? What was
- 4 the general situation of people over there?
- 5 A. When I arrived in that location, I did not see the people, the
- 6 population. People had already been evacuated.
- 7 [11.57.08]
- 8 Q. Let me clarify the point here. You said when you traveling
- 9 into Phnom Penh you did not see many people walking out of the
- 10 city, but you said after you arrived in Phnom Penh several days
- 11 later then you saw people marching out of the city, but now you
- 12 are saying that you did not see the people in the location where
- 13 you resided.
- 14 How did you know that there were people leaving the city within
- 15 the period of three days after Phnom Penh was liberated?
- 16 A. The reason why I said I did not see people, because when I
- 17 arrived in Phnom Penh from Oudong, I did not see people in my
- 18 location. Then three days later I was transferred to Chraing
- 19 Chamres. It was a long national road, and there I saw people
- 20 marching out of the city.
- 21 Q. When you were staying in Phnom Penh, before you were
- 22 transferred to Chraing Chamres, did you travel to other places
- 23 inside the city?
- 24 [11.58.58]
- 25 A. No, I didn't.

- 1 Q. When you were travelling to Chraing Chamres, did you observe
- 2 the general conditions of people along the way?
- 3 A. I observed that some people left the city on trucks, on cars,
- 4 or motorcycles, and some of them pulled their carts along with
- 5 them.
- 6 Q. What was their general facial expression, were they happy to
- 7 leave the city?
- 8 A. Through my observation they were not happy.
- 9 Q. Were there soldiers escorting people walking out of the city?
- 10 A. I didn't see them.
- 11 Q. When you were in Phnom Penh during the few days, did you ever
- 12 hear any gunshots?
- 13 A. No, I didn't. The city was very quiet.
- 14 Q. Did you ever hear any screaming or people talking out loud on
- 15 the roads?
- 16 [12.01.36]
- 17 A. No, I didn't.
- 18 Q. The place where you stayed, was it far from the road?
- 19 A. I lived next to the road to Wat Phnom.
- 20 Q. When people were being evacuated from Phnom Penh, did you know
- 21 why they were being evacuated?
- 22 A. I don't know.
- 23 Q. I would like to ask you the final question. Before the --
- 24 before my colleague ended, you said Koy Thuon was arrested and
- 25 that people in the unit started to be afraid. Apart from the

- 1 disappearing of people in your unit, did you hear or noted --
- 2 note any other disappearance of people elsewhere?
- 3 [12.04.09]
- 4 A. As indicated, I remembered only the cases of Koy Thuon and
- 5 Pang. With regard to my concern, it was normal. It's more like a
- 6 mother and her daughter or her children. It's like a father and
- 7 his son. So when our superior were arrested, then we subordinates
- 8 had reason to be afraid.
- 9 Q. Could you describe your worries? Were you afraid because you
- 10 were saddened or because you were intimidated?
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Counsel, you may now proceed.
- 13 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 14 Good morning, Mr. President. Good morning, Your Honours, and good
- 15 morning to everyone in or around the courtroom.
- 16 We've heard the answers to these questions already, they're
- 17 repetitious. It's past 12 o'clock. If the gentleman wishes to ask
- 18 any questions which have not been answered, that's fine, but
- 19 these questions have been asked and answered and it's a waste of
- 20 time.
- 21 [12.05.48]
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 Thank you, Counsel, for your observation.
- 24 Counsel for the civil party is now instructed to put questions
- 25 that are allowed by the law and try to avoid putting questions

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- 1 that are repetitive, and since we're running out of time, Counsel
- 2 should be advised to put more concrete questions. Could you
- 3 advise the Chamber how many more questions do you have to put to
- 4 the witness? It is now five past twelve.
- 5 MR. PICH ANG:
- 6 Thank you, Mr. President. I have no further questions to put to
- 7 the witness.
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 Thank you, Counsel, and thank you, Witness.
- 10 Since it is now time for the lunch adjournment, the Chamber will
- 11 adjourn. The next session will be resumed by 1.30.
- 12 [12.07.00]
- 13 We thank you very much indeed, to the witness, for your time.
- 14 And court officer is now instructed to assist the witness during
- 15 lunch break and also assist his duty counsel and ensure that
- 16 witness is returned to the courtroom by 1.30.
- 17 Counsel for Nuon Chea, you may now proceed.
- 18 MR. IANUZZI:
- 19 Thank you, Your Honour. Good morning, everyone. I'm on my feet
- 20 only to make our habitual request that Nuon Chea be permitted to
- 21 retire to the holding cell for the afternoon session. We have
- 22 prepared the necessary paperwork. Thank you.
- 23 [12.07.54]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 The Chamber notes the request by Nuon Chea through his counsel.

- 1 He asks that he be excused from this courtroom and that he be
- 2 permitted to observe the proceedings from his holding cell due to
- 3 his tiredness. The Chamber therefore grants such request.
- 4 Mr. Nuon Chea is now permitted to observe the proceedings from
- 5 his holding cell from now until the remainder of the day, and
- 6 Nuon Chea has indicated very clearly that he has waived his right
- 7 to directly participate in this courtroom.
- 8 The counsels are advised to produce -- or to present the waiver
- 9 signed or given thumbprint by Mr. Nuon Chea to the Bench.
- 10 AV officials are now instructed to ensure that the video-link is
- 11 connected to the holding cell so that Mr. Nuon Chea can observe
- 12 the proceedings from there.
- 13 Security personnels are now instructed to bring Mr. Nuon Chea and
- 14 Khieu Samphan to the holding cells and return Mr. Khieu Samphan
- 15 alone to the courtroom, while Mr. Nuon Chea can remain in the
- 16 holding cell. Please have Mr. Khieu Samphan returned to the
- 17 courtroom by 1.30.
- 18 The Court is adjourned.
- 19 (Court recesses from 1209H to 1332H)
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Please be seated. The Court is now in session.
- 22 We would like to hand over to counsels for the accused persons,
- 23 starting from counsels for Nuon Chea to put questions to this
- 24 witness. You may now proceed.
- 25 QUESTIONING BY MR. SON ARUN:

- 1 Good afternoon, Mr. President, Your Honours. Good afternoon, Mr.
- 2 Pean Khean. I am Son Arun. I am representing Mr. Nuon Chea. I
- 3 have a few questions to put to you as follows.
- 4 [13.34.29]
- 5 Q. According to my observation concerning your responses to the
- 6 Prosecution counsels for the civil parties, you indicated that
- 7 you joined the revolution for a long time already. I remembered
- 8 you saying that you saw the "Revolutionary Flags" of the
- 9 Communist Party of Kampuchea. How could you describe the
- 10 "Revolutionary Flags" to the Court? How were they like and what
- 11 were they like? Were they printed or handwritten or were they
- 12 published in the forms of a magazine? Could you please tell us
- 13 about this?
- 14 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 15 A. Regarding the "Revolutionary Flags", so far as I remember,
- 16 there were sickle -- the rice stalks were part of the
- 17 "Revolutionary Flags". The flag itself represents the country.
- 18 There was a temple inside in yellow colour. Whether the flags
- 19 were written or handwritten or not, I'm afraid I don't recollect
- 20 it.
- 21 [13.37.04]
- 22 Q. This means that you only saw the cover of the "Revolutionary
- 23 Flags" and you had no opportunity to even read the content of the
- 24 flags; is that correct?
- 25 A. Yes, it is.

- 1 Q. Mr. Witness, you testify before the Chamber. You have been
- 2 heard for almost two weeks, and you indicated that you have known
- 3 Mr. Nuon Chea; is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes, I had just known him when I started working at K-1
- 5 because I was working at the kitchen with his wife so I knew him
- 6 back then.
- 7 Q. Thank you, Witness. How did you know Nuon Chea? Did you know
- 8 him very well or were you told when walking on the road that
- 9 somebody -- were you told that he was Nuon Chea or have you had
- 10 any conversation with him, for example?
- 11 A. I know him because I used to deliver food to him and, also, I
- 12 chatted with him.
- 13 [13.39.30]
- 14 Q. Thank you. You -- so this means that you know him, but your
- 15 relationship with him has not been very close, I may say so. Can
- 16 you tell the Court what Nuon Chea characteristic is like; is he a
- 17 very mean person, cruel, for example?
- 18 A. I remember knowing him as a person who is friendly as normal.
- 19 I have never heard any problem caused by him.
- 20 Q. Do you know what Nuon Chea did during the revolution?
- 21 A. During the revolution, I had not known him yet. I got to know
- 22 him after Phnom Penh was liberated. It was in late 1975 or late
- 23 1976 that I came to know him.
- 24 Q. After 1975 or 1976 that you said you offered food to him, do
- you know what he did back then?

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- 1 A. So far as I know, he was the -- representing the people. He
- 2 was in charge of the People's Assembly.
- 3 [13.41.54]
- 4 Q. Apart from the Chairman of the People's Assembly, do you know
- 5 what function he had back then?
- 6 A. No, I don't know.
- 7 Q. According to the records of interview, document D76/6, you
- 8 stated before the Co-Investigating Judges that you worked at the
- 9 construction section for half a month, then the Vietnamese troops
- 10 attacked Cambodia. Do you remember when, exactly, the Vietnamese
- 11 troops came in?
- 12 A. I don't remember the exact date, but on the 7 of January, it
- 13 was the time when the troops came; that's all I remember.
- 14 Q. What -- what year was it?
- 15 A. It was 1979.
- 16 [13.43.48]
- 17 Q. Is it correct to say that it was on the 7 of January 1979?
- 18 A. Yes, it is.
- 19 Q. When the Vietnamese troops attacked Cambodia in 1979, in
- 20 particular, you told the Prosecutors and Lead Co-Lawyers for the
- 21 civil party that you left Phnom Penh on the 7 of January 1979. At
- 22 that time, the Vietnamese troops already entered Phnom Penh. Did
- 23 you see the Vietnamese troops coming to Phnom Penh with your own
- 24 eyes?
- 25 A. I did not see the troops, but I saw the convoy of tanks and

- 1 armoured vehicles and soldiers were seen on the roads. I was
- 2 fleeing on National Road Number 4, going all the way to Kampong
- 3 Speu, going on to the West until I reached the border.
- 4 Q. Just now you stated that you did not see the troops directly,
- 5 but you stated that you saw tanks; whose tanks were they?
- 6 [13.46.10]
- 7 A. The situation was very chaotic. I heard people were saying
- 8 that there were tanks that belonged to both the Vietnamese and
- 9 the Cambodians and since it was very confusing -- the situation
- 10 was very confusing, I couldn't be more precise.
- 11 Q. Thank you.
- 12 Next question: You stated time and again that you know Pang and
- 13 Lin very well and you also been very close to them, in
- 14 particular, to the two people Pang and Lin. Since you have had a
- 15 close relationship to them, could you describe Pang; his personal
- 16 -- his personality, whether he is -- or he was a cruel person or
- 17 a normal person, please?
- 18 A. I have known them very well because I had -- had been working
- 19 with them. I received instructions on how to perform my work from
- 20 him; for example, the tasks of delivering vegetables. He would
- 21 ask me to do this and do that and he would chit chat with me and
- 22 he was known to be a normal person.
- 23 [13.48.31]
- Q. On the 7 of January 1979, you left Phnom Penh; the Vietnamese
- 25 troops had come. Could you describe to us the situation in Phnom

- 1 Penh? Was it -- was the situation confusing and were people kept
- 2 at home or were they fleeing? Please describe the actual
- 3 situation of Phnom Penh on that date.
- 4 A. As indicated, Phnom Penh situation was confusing. It happened
- 5 both at houses and also on the streets. Things were chaotic.
- 6 Q. Could you please describe how chaotic -- would you refer --
- 7 how chaotic was the situation? Was there fighting or conflicts
- 8 that led to this chaotic situation?
- 9 A. The chaotic situation was caused by people fleeing their homes
- 10 and people running on streets. There was no fighting, but the
- 11 situation was chaotic, as I said.
- 12 [13.50.33]
- 13 Q. Thank you. Before 1975, during the time when you joined the
- 14 revolution to liberate Cambodia from the imperialists, had you
- 15 ever witnessed any bombardment -- aerial bombardments by the
- 16 Americans?
- 17 A. Yes, I did. I saw or I was witnessing these aerial
- 18 bombardments in Kampong Thom when the bombs were dropped from
- 19 B-52 both at nights and during the daytimes. Each time, we would
- 20 see three B-52 bombers flying over our village dropping bombs.
- 21 Q. Thank you. Has any members of your family injured in the
- 22 aerial bombardments?
- 23 A. None of them has been injured.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Counsel, could you please hold on?

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- 1 (Judges deliberate)
- 2 [13.52.52]
- 3 Counsels for Mr. Ieng Sary, do you know anything about Mr. Ieng
- 4 Sary?
- 5 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 6 No, I have -- know nothing about him.
- 7 (Judges deliberate)
- 8 [13.54.00]
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 Counsels, you may go to check your client to see what happens to
- 11 him.
- 12 (Counsels Ang Udom and Karnavas exit courtroom)
- 13 [13.57.24]
- 14 Counsel, you may now proceed.
- 15 [13.57.29]
- 16 MR. MAM RITHEA:
- 17 Mr. President, witness would like to go to the bathroom.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 He may go to the bathroom now.
- 20 (Witness Pean Khean exits courtroom)
- 21 (Counsels Ang Udom and Karnavas enter courtroom)
- 22 [13.58.02]
- 23 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 24 Mr. President, Your Honours, Mr. Ieng Sary has significant health
- 25 reason. However, with the assistance of the doctors on standby,

- 1 his health -- he is now stabilized, but still under close watch
- 2 by the doctor. I have received information from the doctor that
- 3 he will be evacuated to the hospital immediately.
- 4 However, to save us time, I have consulted with Mr. Ieng Sary
- 5 that we may proceed with the current proceedings. Unless the
- 6 situation changes, I may advise the Chamber on this, but he has
- 7 advised us to continue without his presence.
- 8 (Judges deliberate)
- 9 [13.59.11]
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Now, due to the serious health concern of Mr. Ieng Sary, the
- 12 Chamber allows the doctors to evacuate him to the hospital so
- 13 that he can be treated. Just now, counsel for Mr. Ieng Sary
- 14 indicated clearly that he -- they have consulted with the accused
- 15 person, that Mr. Ieng Sary has consented that the proceedings
- 16 would move on to save time, and according to Internal Rule --
- 17 subrule 5 of 81 -- of Rule 81, rather, the proceedings may
- 18 continue since we have obtained approval from the accused person
- 19 and it already clear to the Chamber that counsels have consulted
- 20 with the Accused so the hearing will continue.
- 21 We have already deferred on two occasions such hearing and we
- 22 should now continue since the witness health is stable to provide
- 23 further testimony to the Chamber.
- 24 Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, you may now proceed with your
- 25 questions.

- 1 BY MR. SON ARUN:
- 2 Thank you, Mr. President. I have three or four more questions
- 3 before I conclude, and my colleagues will continue.
- 4 Q. Just now, I asked Mr. Witness that you said you heard or you
- 5 witnessed the American bombardments -- aerial bombardments, but
- 6 the question is: Could you describe the casualties, the damages
- 7 caused by the aerial bombardments?
- 8 [14.02.21]
- 9 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 10 A. The bombings caused damages to the paddy field -- the paddy --
- 11 the rice fields and bridges; this is what I have heard, but there
- is no human casualties; at least not I had seen.
- 13 Q. When you came to Phnom Penh on the 17th of April 1975, did you
- 14 see whether there was any rice or properties left or were -- or
- 15 were there any people at all staying in Phnom Penh because you
- 16 indicated that when you came, some people were leaving? So my
- 17 question again is whether you saw people all in Phnom Penh or was
- 18 it empty?
- 19 [14.03.58]
- 20 A. What I saw was that in Phnom Penh it was quiet. So I could say
- 21 that, after the 17th of April 1975, people could have been
- 22 evacuated already. Perhaps during the time when I entered Phnom
- 23 Penh, people could have been evacuated already. I came to Phnom
- 24 Penh through Preaek Kdam, and I saw people were on the road to
- 25 that direction.

- 1 Q. Before you came to Phnom Penh, you worked as a soldier. And
- 2 when Phnom Penh was attacked, you remained a soldier. When in
- 3 Phnom Penh, did you see the Khmer Rouge soldiers fighting
- 4 alongside the Vietnamese troops, attacking Phnom Penh? Or were
- 5 the Vietnamese troops attacking or the Khmer Rouge troops
- 6 attacking Phnom Penh alone?
- 7 A. Before Phnom Penh was liberated, in Kampong Thom, I saw the
- 8 Vietnamese troops.
- 9 [14.06.04]
- 10 I asked people why the Vietnamese troops were there, but I was
- 11 told that they were there to attack the common enemies -- the
- 12 American Imperialists, alongside the Khmer Rouge soldiers. But
- 13 when I entered Phnom Penh, I did not see them anymore, because I
- 14 was not a fighter, myself. I lived with Koy Khuon. I was kept at
- 15 the place to look after it, and I had not been armed. So I did
- 16 not engage in the fighting to see this.
- 17 Q. You said in Kampong Thom you saw the Vietnamese troops. How
- 18 many of them did you see?
- 19 A. I saw a lot of them. They were stationed along the river or
- 20 streams near Santuk location.
- 21 I saw them -- or, rather, the Vietnamese troops were gathered in
- 22 three locations. But I don't remember which location they were.
- 23 [14.07.42]
- 24 Q. So according to your recollection, you said that the
- 25 Vietnamese troop was seen in Sandan or Santuk in Kampong Thom.

- 1 Were the Vietnamese troops mixed with the Khmer Rouge soldiers?
- 2 A. They live separately, and their work was also separate. And
- 3 they also located in different places as well.
- 4 Q. Thank you. To your knowledge, or to what you heard, were there
- 5 many Vietnamese soldiers? How many divisions were there, or how
- 6 many regiments were there?
- 7 A. To my surmise, there could have been around one division of
- 8 the Vietnamese armies there.
- 9 Q. After Koy Thuon was arrested, do you know what happened to
- 10 those who were in the rank, particularly those who work closely
- 11 with him?
- 12 [14.09.53]
- 13 Did you know the reason for the arrest of Koy Thuon -- Koy Khuon?
- 14 Koy Khuon -- my apology.
- 15 A. At first, I was not aware of the reason of his arrest. But,
- 16 later on, there was a radio broadcast that Koy Khuon was alleged
- 17 to be affiliated with the CIA network. That's what I learned.
- 18 Q. Thank you. After Koy Khuon was arrested, according to your
- 19 previous testimony, you said you lived in fear. And then you were
- 20 transferred to Wat Svay Meas pagoda. And you were in charge of
- 21 the work at Wat Svay Meas pagoda.
- 22 Did you understand why Koy Khuon was alleged to be affiliated
- 23 with the CIA network and he ended up being arrested, while you
- 24 were transferred and promoted to be in charge of the work at Svay
- 25 Meas pagoda?

- 1 A. At Svay Meas, my task was not something important. It was a
- 2 very small cooperative, and it was a place where people were
- 3 forged in the heat constantly. So I did not assume any leading
- 4 role. I was only charged with the responsibility of overseeing
- 5 the tempering session of the people over there.
- 6 [14.12.26]
- 7 And I was living in fear, and when I was being transferred from
- 8 K-1 office to Svay Meas, my concern was growing, because I did
- 9 not know what would happen to me.
- 10 Q. So, when you were transferred to Svay Meas, did they tell you
- 11 what you were supposed to do over there?
- 12 A. As I told you earlier, it was a small cooperative. It was a
- 13 small collective cooperative, and over there they were weavering
- 14 (sic), and we grew vegetables. There were about 30 people in that
- 15 cooperative. And my responsibility was not important. I was -- my
- 16 everyday job was to go out fishing, and then, after that, I --
- 17 when free, I grew vegetables. And then, after that, I was sent to
- 18 Phnom Penh, and I worked as a construction worker in Phnom Penh.
- 19 Q. Thank you. That is all for me, Mr. President, and I would like
- 20 to ask for your leave to hand it over to my international
- 21 colleague.
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 Yes, you may proceed.
- 24 [14.14.09]
- 25 QUESTIONING BY MR. IANUZZI:

- 1 Thank you, Mr. President. Good afternoon, everyone. Good
- 2 afternoon, witness. And, once again, thank you for coming to
- 3 Phnom Penh to assist us. I'll be very brief. I don't have too
- 4 many questions this afternoon.
- 5 Q. I've got two areas I'd like to cover. The first relates to
- 6 some testimony about K-1. You have provided testimony already
- 7 about the location of K-1, and I just note that previously there
- 8 has been some testimony that K-1 was located on the riverfront of
- 9 Phnom Penh, near the Chaktomuk theatre. And that, of course, is a
- 10 very famous building here in Phnom Penh, designed by the great
- 11 Cambodian architect Vann Molyvann.
- 12 Mr. Witness, are you familiar with the Chaktomuk theatre, or the
- 13 Chaktomuk conference hall, as it's sometimes called?
- 14 [14.15.22]
- 15 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 16 A. Yes, I know that theatre, but I did not know its exact
- 17 location and direction, because I went there -- I have not been
- 18 there again.
- 19 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness. There's also been testimony before
- 20 this Chamber that a certain Chinese circus troupe gave a
- 21 performance at that theatre -- at the Chaktomuk theatre, sometime
- 22 during the DK period.
- 23 Mr. Witness, are you aware -- are you personally aware -- that
- 24 any such performance took place during the DK regime at the
- 25 Chaktomuk theatre, that is, a Chinese circus performance?

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- 1 A. Yes, I saw it once, but I cannot recall the place where the
- 2 performance took place.
- 3 [14.16.43]
- 4 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness. Mr. Witness, did you also know -- are
- 5 you also aware -- that later, in the same year -- later in 1979
- 6 -- the Vietnamese-backed government in Cambodia -- that's the
- 7 PRK, the People's Republic of Kampuchea -- in which, by the way,
- 8 I'm sure you're aware, Hun Sen and Heng Samrin held key positions
- 9 -- are you aware, Mr. Witness, that at that same location, the
- 10 Chaktomuk theatre, the PRK orchestrated a trial, in absentia, of
- 11 Pol Pot and Ieng Sary?
- 12 Have you ever heard of that trial, Mr. Witness?
- 13 A. I do not know about that.
- 14 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness. And my final question on this point;
- 15 are you aware that this building -- that is, the building that we
- 16 are standing in today, the one that houses the ECCC courtroom --
- 17 are you aware that this building is a copy -- a reproduction,
- 18 albeit not a very faithful one -- but that this building is a
- 19 copy of the Chaktomuk theatre, where that circus and political
- 20 show trial were held. Are you aware of that fact?
- 21 [14.18.17]
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 The witness is instructed not to answer to this question because
- 24 the question is irrelevant.
- 25 MR. IANUZZI:

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- 1 Your Honour, I'll just note for the record that we have raised
- 2 the issue before about show trials and the fairness of the
- 3 proceedings, so this should come as a surprise. This is certainly
- 4 not the first time that this issue was raised.
- 5 But I will move on to my next set of questions for the witness.
- 6 Mr. Witness, my next set of question relates to testimony you
- 7 gave this morning regarding your time at Svay Meas pagoda. Now,
- 8 you've already told us that for some time you worked there -- you
- 9 worked at the Svay Meas pagoda. And perhaps we could place a
- 10 document on the screen -- that's E187.1. That document was
- 11 already on the screen this morning. I'd like to ask the witness a
- 12 few questions about that document.
- 13 [14.19.30]
- 14 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 15 You may proceed.
- 16 BY MR. IANUZZI:
- 17 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 18 Q. Mr. Witness, do you see the document in front of you?
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 Counsel, please identify the document together with the ERN
- 21 number so that the Court officer can point to the place where you
- 22 want to discuss to the witness, so that we can move on
- 23 expeditiously.
- 24 BY MR. IANUZZI:
- 25 Yes, I will do that, Your Honour. My apologies for neglecting

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- 1 that. It's document -- again, as I said -- E187.1. It's the
- 2 former SOAS interview with the witness. The English ERN -- I'm
- 3 looking at 00089701, Khmer 00801769, and the French 00644575.
- 4 It's the same document that was before the witness this morning.
- 5 (Short pause)
- 6 Q. And Mr. Witness, I would just like to ask you two brief
- 7 questions about this document. The second full paragraph, the
- 8 first sentence, it says: "I was sent by Lin to take charge of
- 9 Svay Meas pagoda after [Pnang] Pang rather, excuse me -- was
- 10 arrested."
- 11 [14.21.58]
- 12 Is that a correct -- an accurate summary of your statement, that
- 13 first sentence?
- 14 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 15 A. Yes, indeed. I was sent to Svay Meas pagoda. But as I -- I
- 16 wish to reiterate again that I did not hold any position of
- 17 importance. I was not the leader of that particular place.
- 18 Q. I understand your evidence on that. Thank you, Mr. Witness.
- 19 And the second point, the next sentence: "At the end of 1978, I
- 20 was in charge of first Wat Svay Meas, and then workers at PH-1."
- 21 Is that also an accurate reflection of your statement?
- 22 A. I was in charge -- the word "in charge" here does not
- 23 necessarily mean that I led the people over there, but I actually
- 24 oversaw the tempering session over there.
- 25 [14.23.31]

- 1 When I left K-1, I was transferred to Svay Meas.
- 2 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness. And that was next question. Just to
- 3 clarify something that I took down during the questioning of my
- 4 colleague; you said you were overseeing -- even though it was a
- 5 small cooperative -- you were overseeing the tempering sessions.
- 6 So that is indeed your evidence, correct? That you were
- 7 overseeing the tempering sessions?
- 8 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 9 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness. And just to clarify, as you've already
- 10 said in your evidence that it was true that people were sent to
- 11 that location for a certain kind of forced labour -- were there
- 12 other forms of tempering at that location?
- 13 A. The forms of tempering at Svay Meas, as I indicated earlier --
- 14 that the work was divided among members of the cooperative. Some
- 15 people were assigned to go out fishing, and others were
- 16 responsible for vegetable growing. Others were responsible for
- 17 weavering (sic).
- 18 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness.
- 19 [14.25.22]
- 20 This morning, you told my colleague across the stage for the
- 21 civil parties that you didn't know whether anyone was taken away
- 22 from Svay Meas to be killed at S-21. My question to you now is:
- 23 Isn't it true that people were taken from that location -- from
- 24 Svay Meas -- to be killed at other locations; not necessarily
- 25 S-21? Are you aware of that?

- 1 A. No, I'm not aware of it. And neither have I seen it.
- 2 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness.
- 3 Mr. Witness, are you familiar with someone called Yim, the widow
- 4 of an S-71 cadre, Yom? Are you familiar with this person?
- 5 A. No, I don't. I don't know this name, and neither have I met
- 6 the person.
- 7 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness. I'd now like to place a document on
- 8 the screen.
- 9 [14.29.51]
- 10 It's document D224.14, and that's English ERN 00352073, Khmer ERN
- 11 00658158, and French -- for -- Judge Lavergne's on his feet --
- 12 00631370.
- 13 (Judges deliberate)
- 14 [14.28.33]
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Yes, Counsel, you may continue.
- 17 BY MR. IANUZZI:
- 18 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 19 Q. Mr. Witness, the document in front of you is another SOAS
- 20 witness statement, similar to the one that you gave, and I'd just
- 21 like to read a portion of that -- the portion that I'm interested
- 22 in:
- 23 "But when we were Wat Chey Otdam, Wat Slaeng, Wat Svay Meas and
- 24 Kamtuol, there was no political education, just work at paddy
- 25 farming. People disappeared every night, and were taken under

- 1 Y-10 quard. If anybody made any trouble, the Y-10 quard would
- 2 come arrest them and take them away."
- 3 [14.29.32]
- 4 Does this, Mr. Witness, in any way, refresh your recollection
- 5 whether anyone was ever taken away at Svay Meas pagoda?
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 The International Co-Prosecutor, you may proceed.
- 8 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 9 Thank you, Mr. President. I apologize to my friend for
- 10 interrupting. I'm not on my feet, strictly speaking, to object.
- 11 But just, more generally, as a matter of principle -- thus far,
- 12 we haven't been permitted use statements of other individuals in
- 13 our examination of witnesses. We don't object to this practice,
- 14 where there is a legitimate basis to do so. But it may be
- 15 appropriate, perhaps, if the Chamber would give some direction at
- 16 this stage, so that we all operate on the same understanding.
- 17 [14.30.20]
- 18 Thank you.
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 Counsel, you may respond to the objection raised by the
- 21 Prosecution.
- 22 MR. IANUZZI:
- 23 Thank you, Your Honour. Of course, it's always been our stated
- 24 position, for the record, that there's no legal basis for that
- 25 position that the Chamber has adopted, and we've said that

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- 1 several times. This is not an OCIJ statement; this is not a
- 2 statement that was taken -- prepared by the ECC. This is
- 3 something that was prepared by a researcher. I think it's
- 4 perfectly acceptable to put the proposition to the witness and
- 5 see what he has to say about it. I don't see anything
- 6 controversial in that practice.
- 7 [14.31.08]
- 8 I might add -- I might just ask for the Chamber's clarification
- 9 on a point. This is a document that's not on our witness list.
- 10 It's a document that we'd like to use for impeachment purposes.
- 11 So can I take it that the scenario -- the proposal, the
- 12 methodology -- that I referred to before with respect to the
- 13 distinction between impeachment material and new documents -- can
- 14 I infer that that has been accepted, and that we will be allowed
- 15 to continue impeaching witnesses?
- 16 (Judges deliberate)
- 17 [14.37.12]
- 18 Your Honour, if I may just make two brief corrections, for the
- 19 record. I'm told by my colleagues that I said witness list,
- 20 rather than document list. I assume everyone understood what I
- 21 was talking about.
- 22 I'm also told by my Cambodian colleague -- and I'm being told by
- 23 Judge Cartwright to slow down -- I was also told by my Cambodian
- 24 colleague that the word "impeach" has a certain -- or a very --
- 25 negative connotation in Khmer. So all I mean by that is to test

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- 1 the credibility. That's all I mean -- to challenge the
- 2 credibility; to test the credibility. I don't mean whatever in
- 3 fact it is that it means in Khmer, which is, as I'm told, quite
- 4 strong.
- 5 I'm sorry; I cut you off, Mr. President.
- 6 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 7 Thank you all.
- 8 The time is now appropriate for the afternoon adjournment. We
- 9 will -- the Chamber will take a short break for 20 minutes, and
- 10 we will resume at 3 o'clock. And we will continue the proceeding
- 11 after we resume.
- 12 And court officer is instructed to bring the witness and his duty
- 13 counsel to the waiting room and have them here before 3 o'clock.
- 14 MR. IANUZZI:
- 15 Thank you.
- 16 (Court recesses from 1439H to 1502H)
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 Please be seated. The Court is now back in session.
- 19 Before we proceed to counsel for Nuon Chea to continue putting
- 20 questions to the witness, the Chamber rules on the application by
- 21 Nuon Chea before we broke.
- 22 First, we would like to inform counsel that the decision on the
- 23 request to impeach the witness -- or a witness -- will be
- 24 rendered in due course.
- 25 With regard to document D224.14, parties are allowed to put the

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- 1 document before the Chamber since the document appears in the
- 2 list of the -- lists of the Prosecution and has never been
- 3 challenged by any parties. Counsel may refer to document D224.14
- 4 to put questions to the witness. However, counsels are advised
- 5 that the person who has given testimonies in this statement has
- 6 not been summoned to give testimonies by the Chamber before this
- 7 Court, so this document has little probative value.
- 8 We would like now to proceed to counsel for Nuon Chea to continue
- 9 putting questions to the witness.
- 10 [15.04.57]
- 11 MR. IANUZZI:
- 12 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 13 Shall I repeat the last question I put to the witness?
- 14 I think the last thing I said, I think I read out a portion of
- 15 the statement and asked the witness if that refreshed his
- 16 recollection of whether people were taken away to be killed from
- 17 Svay Meas.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Counsel, it would be good if you repeat the question and due to
- 20 time lapse that question should be repeated indeed.
- 21 BY MR. IANUZZI:
- 22 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 23 Q. Mr. Witness, I'll just repeat the portion that I read out
- 24 earlier:
- 25 "But when we were at Wat Chey Otdam, Wat Slaeng, Wat Svay Meas

- 1 and Kamtuol, there was no political education, just work at 23
- 2 farming. People disappeared every night, and were under Y-10
- 3 quard. If anybody made any trouble, the Y-10s quard would arrest
- 4 them and take them away."
- 5 [15.06.20]
- 6 And I believe the question I put to you, Mr. Witness, was: Does
- 7 this in any way refresh your recollection that people were, in
- 8 fact, taken away from Wat Svay Meas?
- 9 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 10 A. People were removed, but I don't know where whether they were
- 11 taken away to be executed. I know for sure that people were
- 12 removed, but I just don't know whether they would end up being
- 13 executed.
- 14 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness. Were you, yourself, as someone who was
- 15 involved in overseeing the tempering process as you've said, were
- 16 you, yourself, ever involved in anyone being taken away for any
- 17 reason?
- 18 [15.07.45]
- 19 A. Even I, myself, was tempered because I was affiliated with Koy
- 20 Thuon so I was put under surveillance.
- 21 Q. Thank you, Mr. Witness. I have no more questions with respect
- 22 to that document.
- 23 I would like another document to be placed before the witness.
- 24 This is D125/207 and it's English ERN 00250139, Khmer ERN
- 25 00242055 and French ERN 00277308.

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- 1 Now, let me be the first to say I have no idea whether this
- 2 particular document is on the Prosecution's list. My submission
- 3 would be that, for purposes of the approach I've suggested with
- 4 respect to impeachment, it makes no practical difference.
- 5 So that's certainly our position; that's the position we've
- 6 stated previously, so perhaps Your Honours would like to
- 7 deliberate on that sub-point. Perhaps it is on the Prosecution's
- 8 list; it's certainly not on our list.
- 9 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 10 Lead Co-Lawyer for the civil parties, you may now proceed.
- 11 [15.09.33]
- 12 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 13 Mr. President, I am rather confused because the previous document
- 14 was not given to the witness; he's not familiar with it so
- 15 obviously we can't present him with a document that he's unaware
- 16 of.
- 17 So is it possible that henceforth that any document that's given
- 18 to the defence of Nuon Chea is provided to all parties? I would
- 19 hope that for the second document, which is very clear, that any
- 20 document, again, that is given to the Nuon Chea defence be
- 21 provided to all parties.
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 Counsel, could you indicate whether you have any problem with
- 24 this current document, document being put before us?
- 25 [15.10.26]

- 1 The document that you were referring to was not challenged and
- 2 you did not indicate your position concerning that previous
- 3 document, and now we are now talking about this document. The
- 4 previous document was concerning the testimonies taken from
- 5 another witness who is not summoned to appear before the Chamber,
- 6 and the Chamber ruled on that matter already.
- 7 Now, this is the new issue. The document is proposed and we would
- 8 like to know whether you have any observation concerning this new
- 9 document.
- 10 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 11 I'm lodging an objection because if a witness is unfamiliar with
- 12 a document, is the Chamber going to rule whether or not such
- 13 documents can be presented or produced before the witness, which
- 14 I think is the case for this particular document.
- 15 If we're all going to follow that same rule--
- 16 [15.11.43]
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 Any document that has already been ruled should not be revisited,
- 19 but if any other document that is different from what the Chamber
- 20 has already ruled upon, then counsel or counsels are allowed to
- 21 comment on it and for this, counsel in particular is not allowed
- 22 to refer to the document that the witness who gives testimony in
- 23 that document is not summoned before the Chamber.
- 24 This new document or, rather, this document being put before
- 25 the Chamber has already been indicated by counsel concerning its

- 1 difference with regard to that previous document.
- 2 Now, the request has already been made and the document is now
- 3 being before us, and if you have any problem concerning another
- 4 document you would like to raise or -- you may do so, and -- but
- 5 it is not a good idea to go back to the document that the Chamber
- 6 has already ruled upon.
- 7 [15.13.03]
- 8 Now we are talking about the document being put before us here up
- 9 on the screen. Please indicate to the Chamber your objection or
- 10 your observation concerning the new document -- or the current
- 11 document being put up on display.
- 12 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 13 Mr. President, I have two problems.
- 14 The first is that I believe that the defence of Nuon Chea must
- 15 indicate whether or not this document does figure in a list or
- 16 not.
- 17 My second problem is whether or not the Nuon Chea defence is
- 18 going to ask any questions to the witness and ask him whether or
- 19 not he's familiar with this document because up until now -- and
- 20 even concerning the previous document -- the Chamber has always
- 21 held the position that one is not able to present to a witness a
- 22 document that he or she is unfamiliar with.
- 23 [15.14.07]
- 24 Therefore, I'm just simply asking for some specific indications
- 25 as to what exactly is the procedure.

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- 1 (Judges deliberate)
- 2 [15.14.38]
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Judge Lavergne, you may now proceed.
- 5 JUDGE LAVERGNE:
- 6 Thank you very much, Mr. President. One must draw a distinction
- 7 between several issues.
- 8 The first is: Which documents can be presented during these
- 9 proceedings in order to impeach or test the credibility of a
- 10 witness?
- 11 Now, I will specify that the Chamber will issue a ruling very
- 12 shortly, but obviously up until now the Chamber considers that it
- 13 is not possible to use documents which are statements of
- 14 witnesses who will be heard at a later stage.
- 15 In the present case, what the Nuon Chea defence team has proposed
- 16 is to introduce into the proceedings a statement that has been
- 17 made by a certain individual. The statement was gathered beyond
- 18 the framework of the investigative -- the judicial investigation
- 19 by an outside researcher.
- 20 [15.15.55]
- 21 The document figures on the Prosecution list of documents,
- 22 therefore, there have been no objections. The document,
- 23 therefore, has been admitted into the proceedings without any
- 24 issues or difficulties and can be used as a basis for examination
- 25 or interrogation to be conducted by the Nuon Chea defence.

- 1 Now, the Chamber, if it deems that the document is without
- 2 relevance because the witness is unfamiliar with the witness who
- 3 made the statements or the subject is not within the framework of
- 4 the debate, then the Bench will simply rule that questioning will
- 5 not go on.
- 6 Now, does this elucidate the Bench's position? Is this clear for
- 7 you and for all parties?
- 8 MS. SIMONNEAU-FORT:
- 9 I'm sorry for insisting.
- 10 Now, I understand that a witness cannot speak on a document of a
- 11 statement witness, but we also have the problem of documents that
- 12 may or may not be known by the witness. Therefore, sometimes one
- 13 has -- you are dealing with a document that is a statement of a
- 14 witness or a document that is simply unfamiliar or not known by
- 15 the witness.
- 16 So the first question to be asked to the witness, which I object
- 17 to, is whether or not this witness is familiar with the document
- 18 and the Chamber will make the ruling, and that ruling will apply
- 19 to all.
- 20 [15.17.54]
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, you may now proceed.
- 23 MR. IANUZZI:
- 24 Thank you for that clarification, Judge Lavergne.
- 25 I would just like to make it very clear for the record: our

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- 1 position is that we don't see any significant distinction between
- 2 whether or not the witness has given a prior testimony to the
- 3 OCIJ or to some official of this Court or to someone such as a
- 4 researcher out of the Court.
- 5 We have taken a principled stand on that, and by "principle" I
- 6 just mean a consistent stand, and we've said that any material --
- 7 any material -- that can somehow be shown to be relevant to the
- 8 testimony at hand should be allowed to be used, to attempt to
- 9 test or challenge the credibility of the witness.
- 10 [15.18.40]
- 11 And I was going to raise this issue later, but I think now is
- 12 quite an appropriate time to do it. We had a lengthy debate on
- 13 this subject in a closed session -- I think that was on the 5th
- of May -- it was a day that we moved into closed session to
- 15 discuss a Rule 28 application, and I circulated a notice to all
- 16 the parties, a request which I was informed was sent to the
- 17 Chamber. Much of that discussion -- much of the discussion in
- 18 that closed session related to this very issue that we're talking
- 19 about.
- 20 Judge Cartwright has just sort of motioned for me to stop saying
- 21 this.
- 22 (Judges deliberate)
- 23 [15.19.40]
- 24 MR. IANUZZI:
- 25 It was a very simple request. We would just like--

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 With regard to this, the Chamber is seized of your application
- 3 and the decision will be rendered in due course, so we may try to
- hear -- may try not to hear the same application so we can have 4
- 5 time to work on other matters.
- 6 MR. IANUZZI:
- 7 That's an acknowledgement, for the record; it suits my purposes
- 8 just fine.
- 9 I would like to state for the benefit of my colleague across the
- 10 stage for the civil parties, both of these documents were placed
- 11 on the interface system -- whatever it is called, I never
- 12 remember -- so all of the parties were -- and I believe I even
- 13 read out those document numbers during previous trial hearings.
- 14 So I don't think anyone could credibly say they've been taken by
- 15 surprise.
- 16 And, as I said, I do accept that a written decision on all of
- 17 these matters will be issued in due course.
- 18 [15.20.49]
- 19 So perhaps, now, we could turn to D -- again, perhaps now we
- 20 could turn to D125/207. I've already read out the ERN's and I
- 2.1 have said that this is not on our document list. I don't know if
- 22 it's on the Prosecution's document list or the civil party
- 23 document list, but our position is consistent with what I just
- 24 said earlier, that we should be able to use it or at least
- 25 attempt to use it.

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 The Co-Prosecutor should now take the floor, but we should have
- 3 already noted the objection when the Lead Co-Lawyer was on her
- 4 feet because by doing so we could expect that any responses from
- 5 counsels for the defence would be heard, but now we already
- 6 reminded parties but the things repeat themselves.
- 7 [15.22.00]
- 8 MR. ABDULHAK:
- 9 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 10 I'm not on my feet specifically to object and I refrained from
- 11 intervening earlier, but I think we're operating now with a
- 12 number of pieces of information which are actually not entirely
- 13 correct.
- 14 Just on this document that our friend has referred to, this is on
- 15 the Co-Prosecutor's document list; it's contained in Annex 20.
- 16 It's a rogatory letter issued by the Office of the
- 17 Co-Investigating Judges and just noting your ruling from a few
- 18 minutes ago, this document has been objected to. Rogatory letters
- 19 were the subject of hearings, of the recent hearings before the
- 20 Chamber.
- 21 More specifically, this particular one, D125/207, is objected to
- 22 by Ieng Sary in document number E131/1/10.19. Being in Annex 20,
- 23 it is yet to be ruled upon, and that's the reason I'm on my feet
- 24 to indicate that if the approaches that documents that have been
- 25 ruled upon and admitted or that or not objected to, that those

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- 1 documents can be cited.
- 2 [15.23.29]
- 3 I just wanted to indicate that this latest document, D125/207,
- 4 has not been ruled upon as far as we can tell and, for
- 5 completeness of the record, the preceding document, D224.14, was
- 6 itself objected to, and you'll find that in document
- 7 E131/1/10.11, and a decision on that objection is still pending.
- 8 [15.24.02]
- 9 So I just wanted to clarify those matters for the record, that
- 10 the previous document has already been dealt with but I wanted to
- 11 correct the record just so that we're all clear. And on this
- 12 second one, it's a rogatory report, it is on our list and has
- 13 been objected to, a decision is pending.
- 14 MR. IANUZZI:
- 15 Your Honour, if I may briefly reply to that, and I thank my
- 16 friend for the clarification, and I think this is why it's
- 17 crucial that that debate that we had before becomes a public
- 18 debate. And let me correct myself, it was the 2nd of May.
- 19 On that day we made a distinction. The objections that my
- 20 colleague is referring to are substantive objections, objections
- 21 to documents that were presented as possible evidence, and I made
- 22 that distinction in that closed session regarding material that
- 23 may be presented on the one hand as substantive evidence of
- 24 something, and the same material that may be used for a different
- 25 purpose, impeachment, sorry, excuse me, testing the credibility

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- 1 of the witness. So I think that's a key distinction that needs to
- 2 be made.
- 3 So the fact that any document may have been subject to a prior
- 4 objection based on its substantive value has absolutely no
- 5 bearing on its later use to impeach a witness, for the reasons as
- 6 I stated, we didn't know the witness order when were told to
- 7 submit those lists. We didn't know who was going to be called.
- 8 [15.25.20]
- 9 As I've said it's, in my submission, utterly unreasonable to
- 10 expect us to be somehow clairvoyant and to guess as to who the
- 11 Chamber is going to call.
- 12 So that's the difficulty we really have with this distinction
- 13 between substantive evidence and impeachment material, and I'll
- 14 stop using that word, I'm sorry.
- 15 (Judges deliberate)
- 16 [15.28.05]
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 Judge Cartwright, you may now proceed.
- 19 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 20 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 21 Mr. Co Prosecutor, you indicated that the document currently
- 22 under consideration, D125/207, has been objected to.
- 23 Could you refresh the Chamber's memory, which party objected to
- 24 it in writing, please? Was that also Ieng Sary's defence team?
- 25 MR. IANUZZI:

- 1 Yes, indeed, Your Honour. It was Ieng Sary, and the relevant
- 2 filing is E131/1/10.19. It's in fact a chart, and this is item
- 3 number 41 in that chart, if that assists.
- 4 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 5 Thank you. In that case, Counsel for Ieng Sary, can we infer that
- 6 you no longer maintain this objection because you've not reminded
- 7 the Chamber of this this afternoon?
- 8 Did you even remember that you had objected to it?
- 9 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 10 Well, I do recall objecting. As a matter of principle, we do
- 11 object to all of those sorts of reports. Suffice it to say, when
- 12 we do lodge an objection, until there is a decision we are of the
- 13 position that we need not stand up each and every time to inform
- 14 the Trial Chamber that we maintain our objection.
- 15 [15.29.50]
- 16 Suffice it to say, there are a lot of documents, and it's
- 17 somewhat difficult to keep track of all of these things.
- 18 Our position is pretty clear. If a party wishes to use a document
- 19 for limited purposes, it's up to the Trial Chamber to use its
- 20 discretion and then decide to what extent it will give weight to
- 21 that.
- 22 That said, I should note that we have about half an hour left,
- 23 and if we are efficient with our time, perhaps we could finish
- 24 this witness and allow the gentleman to go back to his home and
- 25 to his family. Thank you.

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- 1 [15.30.29]
- 2 JUDGE CARTWRIGHT:
- 3 In that case, I will summarize what you've said, Mr. Karnavas.
- 4 You have no major objection to a limited use of this document,
- 5 bearing in mind the Chamber's earlier comments that it may -- it
- 6 will place limited weight unless this witness is to be called. Is
- 7 that -- and I think you've reflected the Trial Chamber's concerns
- 8 about the waste of time with arguments of this nature. Thank you.
- 9 MR. KARNAVAS:
- 10 Correct. Thank you.
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 The Chamber now allows counsel for Nuon Chea to proceed with this
- 13 document. Counsel may put questions to the witness as there is no
- 14 strong objection to the document. You may proceed.
- 15 [15.31.47]
- 16 MR. IANUZZI:
- 17 Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you, Your Honours. I
- 18 apologize for not indicating whether or not these documents have
- 19 been objected to. I find it very difficult to remember what I did
- 20 yesterday, let alone several months ago. Perhaps that's why I'm
- 21 such a bad lawyer, but I'll very quickly finish this up.
- 22 BY MR. IANUZZI:
- 23 Q. Mr. Witness, I'd just like to read a portion out to you, and
- 24 this is from the witness statement, which I think has been placed
- 25 before you on the screen:

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- "When I lived in Svay Meas Pagoda, a covered vehicle with a 1
- 2 license plate Office 870 came to arrest people occasionally. Each
- 3 time they arrested one or two persons. As I found out after 1979
- some of those workers, who were transported out of Kampong Som 4
- 5 were killed, and among them some were the native of Stoung
- district." 6
- 7 [15.32.42]
- So, very briefly, Mr. Witness -- and this is my very last 8
- 9 question for the day -- does this, in any way, refresh your
- recollection that certain people were taken out of Svay Meas and 10
- 11 killed?
- MR. PEAN KHEAN: 12
- 13 A. To my recollection, when the people were removed or taken out,
- 14 I did not know exactly where they were taking them to, but, of
- 15 course, they did take out those people.
- 16 MR. IANUZZI:
- 17 Thank you, Mr. Witness. And thank you, Your Honours. I have no
- 18 further questions.
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 Thank you. I now hand over to the defence counsel for Ieng Sary
- 21 to put questions to this witness. You may proceed.
- 22 OUESTIONING BY MR. ANG UDOM:
- 23 Good afternoon, Mr. President. Good afternoon, Your Honours. Good
- 24 afternoon everyone in and around the courtroom. And good
- 25 afternoon, Mr. Pean Khean. My name is Ang Udom. I am the national

- 1 defence counsel for Ieng Sary. I would like to touch upon two
- 2 points, and my questions will last for about 10 minutes or so.
- 3 Q. Mr. Pean Khean, in this courtroom, in your testimony so far,
- 4 you have told the Court that you had never attended any meeting
- 5 with the senior leaders of the Democratic Kampuchea. Do you stand
- 6 by this statement?
- 7 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 8 A. I stand by it, and it is based on the truth, based on what I
- 9 have known. So I maintain this statement.
- 10 Q. Thank you. You also enlightened the Court that while the
- 11 meeting was being held among the senior leaders of the regime,
- 12 you never brought in the food or meal to the leaders when they
- 13 were holding the meeting. Do you still stand by this answer?
- 14 [15.36.27]
- 15 A. Yes, I stand by this answer, because I had never entered the
- 16 meeting -- seen the meeting itself.
- 17 Q. So is it fair and correct to say that you did not actually
- 18 know who the senior leaders were? Can it be safe to say that you
- 19 did not know who actually were attending the meeting?
- 20 A. I maintain my answer, because I knew only a few of them, so
- 21 others I did not know. So I could only tell those whom I knew.
- 22 Q. Thank you. So is my understanding correct that you did not
- 23 know the subject matters of the discussion of the leaders? Is
- 24 that correct?
- 25 A. That is the truth, and I was not one of the leaders so it was

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- 1 not my job to know what was being discussed back then.
- 2 Q. Then is it correct to say that you did not know the outcome of
- 3 the meeting either? Simply put, you did not know the result of
- 4 the meeting; is that correct?
- 5 A. Yes, it is correct.
- 6 [15.39.05]
- 7 Q. Thank you. Based on your answers to my last few questions, and
- 8 the fact that you did not know the outcomes of the meetings of
- 9 the senior leaders, can we say that it was your assumption that
- 10 the meeting was going on among them; is that correct?
- 11 A. I considered that the meeting was being held when the leaders
- 12 gathered in that place, and in addition, I did not enter the
- 13 meeting venue. I merely visited the kitchen where the food was
- 14 prepared to serve people in the meeting.
- 15 [15.41.01]
- 16 Q. It appears to me when you say that it was likely that the
- 17 meeting was being held, then you are saying that it was your
- 18 assumption that the meeting was being held; is that correct?
- 19 A. Yes, yes, it is.
- 20 Q. Thank you.
- 21 Now, I move on to the next topic on the Angkar. How about the
- 22 meetings organized by Angkar, did you ever attend those meetings?
- 23 A. No, I never attended Angkar's meeting.
- 24 Q. Thank you. So you said you never attended the meetings
- 25 organized by Angkar, so after each meeting organized by Angkar,

- 1 was the minutes or brief summary of the outcome of the meeting
- 2 delivered to you?
- 3 A. No, it was not. I had never received one.
- 4 Q. Thank you.
- 5 Now, I would like move to the members of Angkar. Was the
- 6 composition of Angkar released or made known widely?
- 7 [15.43.46]
- 8 A. No, it was not disseminated.
- 9 Q. Thank you. It may have been in today's testimony, you said
- 10 that among members of Angkar, Ieng Sary was one of the members of
- 11 Angkar. Is it correct to say that you base your answer on your
- 12 own assumption?
- 13 A. That was to the best of my knowledge, and it was also shared
- 14 that those leaders were within the structure of Angkar.
- 15 Q. I do not really get your answer. Was it a rumour or word of
- 16 mouth or was it a formal announcement of the conversation of
- 17 Angkar? Did you simply learn it from your colleagues or through
- 18 rumours also?
- 19 A. (Microphone not activated)
- 20 [15.46.10]
- 21 Q. I am sorry; I did not get your answer. Can you please repeat
- 22 your answer?
- 23 A. I learned it from the words of mouth. There was no written
- 24 document outlining the composition of Angkar.
- 25 Q. Thank you, Mr. Pean Khean.

- 1 I have one last question for you. You said just now that you
- 2 learned from others, can you please be more precise. Who exactly
- 3 were the members of the Angkar, and you also said that Ieng Sary
- 4 was also one of the members of Angkar, who did you learn that
- 5 information from?
- 6 A. I learned it from Pang and Lin.
- 7 Q. You said you learned it from Pang and Lin. How did you learn
- 8 that information? Did the two people tell you directly or you
- 9 learned it from them through any organized setting?
- 10 A. I learned it from the day meeting, the daily meeting, because
- 11 normally we worked during the daytimes, and then at the end of
- 12 the working day we convened the meeting of the day. I learned it
- 13 through that meeting.
- 14 Q. Thank you. So, beside Ieng Sary, did Lin and Pang tell you
- 15 about other members of the Angkar?
- 16 A. No, they didn't.
- 17 Q. According to your answer earlier, you said that Lin and Pang
- 18 told you that Ieng Sary was a member of Angkar, and then you said
- 19 that Lin and Pang did not tell you about any other members of
- 20 Angkar. Was that your statement?
- 21 [15.49.31]
- 22 A. I am sorry; I do not understand your question.
- 23 Q. My apology, I simplify my question.
- 24 Just now you said that in one of the meetings, Lin and Pang told
- 25 you during that meeting that Ieng Sary was one of the members of

- 1 Angkar. So I was wondering whether or not during that meeting,
- 2 Pang and Lin told you about any other members other than Ieng
- 3 Sary of the Angkar. Did Pang tell you about any other person
- 4 beside Ieng Sary?
- 5 A. No, they didn't. They only told us about Ieng Sary.
- 6 Q. Just now you said that Pang and Lin told you. So can you tell
- 7 the Court the position of Pang in the Standing Committee? Did you
- 8 know that Pang was a member of the Standing Committee?
- 9 A. I did not know, but what I knew was that he was in charge of
- 10 Office K 1 and K 3.
- 11 Q. How about Lin, did you know about his position? Was Lin a
- 12 member of the Standing Committee or not?
- 13 [15.51.54]
- 14 A. I did not know, but what I knew was that he was the head of K
- 15 1 office.
- 16 MR. ANG UDOM:
- 17 Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Pean Khean. I have no further questions
- 18 for you.
- 19 On behalf of my defence team, Mr. Michael Karnavas and I thank
- 20 you very much for taking your time to testify before the Court in
- 21 order to ascertain the truth. I would like to wish you a safe
- 22 trip back home.
- 23 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 Thank you, Counsel.

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- 1 I now hand over to the defense team for Khieu Samphan to put
- 2 questions to this witness.
- 3 [15.53.01]
- 4 OUESTIONING BY MS. GUISSÉ:
- 5 Good afternoon, Mr. President. Good afternoon members of this
- 6 Chamber.
- 7 I shall start by apologizing, because I'm not going to complete
- 8 my questions in the remaining 10 minutes of this afternoon, and
- 9 it is better that I say this straight out straightaway, and that
- 10 we will need to continue tomorrow morning.
- 11 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Witness. I am Anta Guissé. I am one of the
- 12 counsels for Mr. Khieu Samphan, and that is the capacity in which
- 13 I will be asking you some questions now.
- 14 These really are matters of detail concerning the statement that
- 15 you have made before the Chamber. If any of my questions appears
- 16 unclear to you then please don't hesitate to stop me and ask me
- 17 to make my point clearer.
- 18 [15.54.01]
- 19 The first thing I want to bring up with you, Mr. Witness, is the
- 20 period you spent working in K 1.
- 21 On the 3rd of May, you told this Court that you spent six months
- 22 working in K 1; can you tell the Chamber please exactly what
- 23 period that six months was within? Thank you.
- 24 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 25 A. I am sorry; it was long time ago I cannot recall it, but it

- 1 was in late 1975 -- it was sometime in late 1975.
- 2 Q. Thank you. On the 3rd of May, you also said to this Court when
- 3 you were asked to describe K-1 that in fact K-1 was made up of
- 4 two units which were very close to each other, and you also
- 5 stated that you spent the six months within K-1 as a whole. So my
- 6 question to you is: Were you housed inside the two units that you
- 7 described or did you live in a different place?
- 8 [15.56.06]
- 9 A. As for my place to stay, it was not regular. Sometime I stayed
- 10 outside and some other time I stayed inside. So it was not
- 11 regular, I can hardly give you a specific answer.
- 12 Q. Very good. You said that K-1 was where Pol Pot lived; when you
- 13 stayed inside K-1, did you stay in the same building as Pol Pot
- 14 was or were you in a different building?
- 15 A. I stayed in a different building, but during the daytime I
- 16 went to this building because I had to oversee the cooks
- 17 preparing food for him and I also did other clean-up work as well
- 18 such as getting rid of the weeds.
- 19 [15.58.08]
- 20 Q. You said that you went into the same building that Pol Pot was
- 21 living in; does this mean that the kitchens were inside that
- 22 building?
- 23 A. Yes, the kitchen was within the compound of the building, and
- 24 outside -- beside the kitchen there was a fence surrounding the
- 25 house.

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- 1 Q. How many floors did the building have?
- 2 A. I cannot recall.
- 3 Q. And my final question for today: Was there a special security
- 4 procedure for coming in to K-1?
- 5 A. As for the access procedure, there was a guard at the gate of
- 6 the building and the guard was on duty around the clock.
- 7 MS. GUISSÉ:
- 8 Mr. President, I see that it is 4 o'clock; perhaps this is a
- 9 reasonable time to draw to a close for this afternoon?
- 10 [16.00.23]
- 11 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 12 Counsel for Mr. Khieu Samphan, could you advise the Chamber how
- 13 much time would you need to put questions to this witness?
- 14 MS. GUISSÉ:
- 15 Mr. President, I believe I have another 30 to 35 minutes worth of
- 16 time that I need.
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 National Counsel, could you also advise whether you need -- how
- 19 much time to put questions to the witness?
- 20 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 21 I have a few questions as well, Mr. President.
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 How much time would you prefer?
- 24 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 25 About 10 to 15 minutes.

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- 1 (Judges deliberate)
- 2 [16.02.35]
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 The Chamber wishes to conclude the testimony of this witness
- 5 today, and we would not want to commit more time inviting him to
- 6 come to the courtroom tomorrow, so it is better to grant
- 7 permission to counsel for Khieu Samphan another 30 minutes now to
- 8 finish her questions.
- 9 BY MS. GUISSÉ:
- 10 Q. Mr. Witness, I apologize for taking up more of your time and
- 11 perhaps making you tired, but I will do my utmost to be very
- 12 specific in my questions.
- 13 Now, in response to one of the questions put to you by the
- 14 Co-Prosecutors, you stated that Pol Pot lived alone at K-1, and
- 15 that the only other person who lived with him was Pang; do you
- 16 confirm that statement?
- 17 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 18 A. I still stand by my position, what I saw back then.
- 19 [16.04.19]
- 20 Q. And following the six-month period during which you stated
- 21 that you were being boarded either within or outside K-1, did you
- 22 return to K-1 and when did you return to K-1?
- 23 A. I left K-1 and never returned to the office.
- 24 Q. Mr. Witness, let's now move on to the topic of K-3. Relative
- 25 to K-1, can you provide us a description of K-3? Was it smaller

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- 1 or was it larger than K-1?
- 2 [16.05.43]
- 3 A. K-3 was a more crowded place where more people would stay, so
- 4 all of them came together to that office. So I conclude that K-3
- 5 was larger than K-1.
- 6 Q. You stated that they were all together in that office; can you
- 7 please describe the buildings at K-3? It's not very clear.
- 8 A. I don't recollect the exact appearance of the office because
- 9 people would only stay at each separate house.
- 10 Q. For how long did you work at K-3?
- 11 A. About half a year.
- 12 Q. And during those six months, how often did you go to K-3?
- 13 A. I had been there frequently because I had to deliver food,
- 14 meat, rice for example. So I would go and come from that office.
- 15 Q. If I understand correctly, unlike your work at K-1 you did not
- 16 stay at K-3?
- 17 [16.08.31]
- 18 A. No, I didn't stay at K-3.
- 19 Q. Was K-3 enclosed by a fence or anything?
- 20 A. So far as I recollect, I saw only the fence on the front and
- 21 on the side but not at the backyard.
- 22 Q. And when you travelled to K-3, did you have to go through any
- 23 security barrier? Did you have to go through any sort of security
- 24 control at K-3 like you did at K-1?
- 25 A. Normally, K-1 is not different from K-3. People had to go

- 1 through security control because people were tasked with guarding
- 2 the gates of those places.
- 3 Q. Just a few moments ago, you indicated that at K-3 there were
- 4 separate houses, everybody had separate houses. Can you please
- 5 tell me where the kitchen in which you worked was located?
- 6 [16.10.56]
- 7 A. The kitchen was located to the north side of the compound and
- 8 apart from that there were houses. It was the house where Uncle
- 9 Nuon would stay.
- 10 Q. You stated that you presumed that meetings were being held
- 11 amongst the various leaders and you never actually entered those
- 12 meeting rooms. Could you please -- would you be able to -- or can
- 13 you locate where those meetings were held, that is to say in
- 14 which house and which room?
- 15 A. I don't recollect this very well. The only thing I know is
- 16 that the location of the kitchen is very obvious to me and also
- 17 the location where he stayed, but not where people would meet.
- 18 Q. As a kitchen worker, did you have authorization to move about
- 19 freely in all of the rooms and houses of K-3?
- 20 A. No, I was not authorized to move about freely, I had to be
- 21 able to move from the kitchen to the house, that's all.
- 22 [16.13.30]
- 23 Q. And you said that you only went from the kitchen to the house;
- 24 which house are you talking about?
- 25 A. The house where Uncle Nuon would stay.

- 1 Q. And that's the only other building to which you had access; is
- 2 this correct?
- 3 A. I was allowed to access to only the house and the kitchen, and
- 4 I frequently accessed to these two locations.
- 5 Q. Thank you very much, Witness. I would like to now move on to
- 6 another subject. Today and during previous hearings, but today
- 7 you focused particularly on the two times that you were
- 8 interrogated with respect to Democratic Kampuchea in response to
- 9 the questions of the Co-Prosecutor, you stated that you were
- 10 interrogated for the first time in July of 2005 and for a second
- 11 time you recalled being questioned by investigators from the
- 12 Extraordinary Chambers of the Courts of Cambodia.
- 13 [16.15.18]
- 14 I have some questions with respect to the first interrogation
- 15 that was held in July of 2005. In response to a question put to
- 16 you by the Co-Prosecutor, you stated that you cannot recall the
- 17 names of the individuals who put questions to you. My question is
- 18 as follows; without recalling the names of those who questioned
- 19 you, do you recall how those individuals were introduced to you?
- 20 Did they tell you which organizations they represented and for
- 21 which organizations they worked?
- 22 A. At that time, I was told that they were researchers from the
- 23 Khmer Rouge Tribunal, that's all I was told.
- 24 Q. Now, I will remind you that I'm talking about the first
- 25 interview that took place in July 2005. There were some

- 1 individuals who introduced themselves to you as researchers from
- 2 the Tribunal; is this correct?
- 3 A. Yes, it is.
- 4 Q. How were you contacted in order to take part in this
- 5 interview?
- 6 [16.17.32]
- 7 A. There was a person who knows me; I don't remember the person's
- 8 name who established this contact. When I was in Phnom Penh I was
- 9 close to that person and the person learned that I worked at K-1
- 10 and K-3. And later on this same person who led the group to see
- 11 me at my home.
- 12 Q. This morning -- and even during part of this afternoon's
- 13 session, you were read several passages from summaries that were
- 14 drafted by those individuals with whom you had participated in
- 15 the interview in July 2005. Now in response to one of the
- 16 questions put to you by the Co-Prosecutors, you provided
- 17 statements in the summary.
- 18 [16.19.07]
- 19 Now my question is: Of the staff members from the Tribunal who
- 20 presented to you the documents, had you seen them at a previous
- 21 location?
- 22 A. No, I haven't. And I don't remember these very well because it
- 23 happened a long time ago.
- 24 Q. On the day of the interview that took place in July 2005, did
- 25 you sign any document whatsoever?

- 1 A. I don't recollect it.
- 2 Q. Did you see the individuals who conducted the interview again
- 3 after your interview of July 2005?
- 4 A. No, I didn't; that was the only one occasion I saw them.
- 5 Q. Now in those circumstances, would it be accurate to say that
- 6 you never had the opportunity to provide clarifications or
- 7 corrections on the notes taken during that interview?
- 8 [16.21.14]
- 9 A. I don't understand your question; could you repeat it?
- 10 Q. Certainly; I apologize for not being clearer. My question to
- 11 you is this: Did you have the opportunity, in one way or another,
- 12 to reread the notes that were drafted by the interviewers who
- 13 questioned you in July 2005?
- 14 A. No, I didn't. After the interview, the documents are kept at
- 15 $\,$ my home and I had other business to attend to -- to read any of
- 16 the documents, only when I was summoned by the Court that these
- 17 documents had to be collected and reviewed.
- 18 Q. Just a clarification, because I'm not sure I understood the
- 19 last part of your answer. Now, in July 2005 at the end of the
- 20 interview, were you given any documents?
- 21 A. No, I wasn't. After the interview concluded we all parted.
- 22 [16.23.09]
- 23 Q. And therefore, if I understand your response correctly, it is
- 24 only in preparation of this appearance before the Court now, was
- 25 the last time that you were able to see the summary of your

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- 1 interview?
- 2 A. The document that I reviewed was those obtained during the
- 3 second interview. During the first interview, I was not given any
- 4 piece of document.
- 5 Q. So the documents that you were referring to are documents that
- 6 relate to your second interview; is this correct? Do I understand
- 7 correctly?
- 8 A. Yes, you do.
- 9 Q. Let us return, for a few moments, to the contents of the
- 10 summary of the first interview of July 2005; since today, you've
- 11 just confirmed that you did, indeed, make statements that are
- 12 contained in these summaries.
- 13 And I would seek leave from the Chamber, in order to refresh the
- 14 memory of the witness, to project on to the screen statements
- 15 E187/9, D2-15.58. I would request that these documents be shown
- 16 on the screen so that I may proceed with questions for the
- 17 witness.
- 18 [16.25.23]
- 19 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 20 You may proceed.
- 21 BY MS. GUISSÉ:
- ${\tt Q.}$ For the record, the ERNs for the three languages are as
- 23 follows: In French, 00644576; in English, ERN 00089701; and in
- 24 Khmer, 00801770.
- 25 Mr. Witness, I'm particularly interested in a paragraph that

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- 1 starts with the sentence: "Previously, I had stayed at K-1 and
- 2 K-3" -- for the interpretation.
- 3 Mr. Witness, do you see the passage that I'm referring to?
- 4 (Short pause)
- 5 [16.27.10]
- 6 Mr. Witness, do you see the paragraph that I'm referring to?
- 7 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 8 A. This paragraph I'm reading is referring to K-1 and K-3; is
- 9 that what you are asking me about?
- 10 Q. Yes, indeed. And, in that same paragraph, allow me to draw
- 11 your attention to a specific passage that was read out to you by
- 12 the Co-Prosecutor this morning; it's further on and it reads:
- 13 "Pang was in charge of all of the K offices. It was Pang who
- 14 arranged meetings, but Hem, Khieu Samphan, chaired things
- 15 politically, but under Pol, who was in charge of political
- 16 meetings together with Nuon. Hem, Khieu Samphan, chaired the
- 17 meetings of the Party branches of the K offices."
- 18 My question to you is this: You confirmed to the Co-Prosecutor
- 19 that Khieu Samphan chaired the meetings of the Party branches of
- 20 the K offices as is inscribed in this summary; what is the basis
- 21 of that statement?
- 22 $\,$ A. The base is -- was from what I heard from Pang and Lin because
- 23 I was one of the persons who would access to the location very
- 24 often bringing food to people there and it was based on my
- 25 interactions at the location and working at the complex to

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- 1 conclude that Khieu Samphan was in the meeting as a chairperson.
- 2 However, he shared the burden of the work and that Pang was
- 3 overly in charge. I don't know the details of the content of the
- 4 meeting because I was never engaged in such meetings. I was
- 5 saying from my perspective as an outside observer.
- 6 [16.31.04]
- 7 Q. So you're making these assertions as an observer. Did the
- 8 meetings take place in Nuon Chea's house?
- 9 A. As I said, repeatedly, earlier, that I did not know the exact
- 10 location of the meeting.
- 11 Q. You were unaware of the location of the meeting. You stated
- 12 that you didn't attend any of those meetings; therefore, what can
- 13 you -- how can you possibly state or what can you possibly rely
- 14 upon to say that Khieu Samphan chaired the meetings of the Party
- 15 branches at the K offices?
- 16 A. That was according -- according to my assumption because
- 17 somebody above Pang was Khieu Samphan so it was very likely that
- 18 the chairman of the meeting was Khieu Samphan and, according to
- 19 what I heard, was consistent with my assumption, as well.
- 20 [16.32.55]
- 21 Q. Mr. Witness, were you aware of Mr. Khieu Samphan's titles and
- 22 assignments, at the time?
- 23 A. Officially, he was the chairman of the -- or he was the
- 24 President of the State Presidium.
- 25 Q. And were you aware of what the position of President of the

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- 1 Presidium consisted of?
- 2 A. I did not know. I -- I did not know the -- what this position
- 3 entailed.
- 4 Q. Therefore, you are stating that all of your assertions and
- 5 statements with respect to Khieu Samphan made today and during
- 6 previous statements are simply assumptions or suppositions on
- 7 your part?
- 8 A. It was not a total assumption; part of it was the truth. For
- 9 example, Khieu Samphan official position was the President of the
- 10 State Presidium; that is correct. And as for his work at K-3, he
- 11 must have participated in the meetings because he resided in K-3
- 12 and he worked there, as well, and Nuon Chea and Ieng Sary also
- 13 worked and stay at K-3.
- 14 [16.35.09]
- 15 Q. One final question pertaining to K-3, Mr. Witness; are you
- 16 aware as to whether or not other people, other individuals, other
- 17 family members of the leaders that you referred to resided at K-1
- 18 or K-3?
- 19 A. No, I never -- I never saw them. I never saw others beside the
- 20 leaders.
- 21 Q. In light of the answers that you provided this Court earlier
- 22 in response to the questions put to you by my esteemed colleague,
- 23 the defence for Ieng Sary, you have no direct knowledge of the
- 24 roles of the leaders of Democratic Kampuchea?
- 25 A. That's correct. I did not know all the detail of the

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- 1 leadership of the Democratic Kampuchea because it was the secrecy
- 2 and it was within the domain of the leadership as well. I did not
- 3 know the details of their work.
- 4 [16.36.57]
- 5 Q. Mr. President, I have no further questions for the witness.
- 6 Mr. Witness, I wish to thank you for your patience in enduring
- 7 this day. Thank you very much.
- 8 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 9 National Counsel for Khieu Samphan, you may proceed.
- 10 QUESTIONING BY MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 11 Thank you, Mr. President. I will be brief, and I have only a few
- 12 brief questions to the witness, and I also expect a brief answer
- 13 too.
- 14 Q. I would like to ask for your clarification concerning the time
- 15 before April 1975 when you were staying with Koy Thuon. What was
- 16 your position, really, at that time?
- 17 MR. PEAN KHEAN:
- 18 A. Since I started joining the revolution since I was 16 years of
- 19 age, I never assumed any official position.
- 20 [16.38.26]
- 21 Q. Can you tell the Court your day to day work before 1975; what
- 22 were your main roles when you were staying with Mr. Koy Khuon?
- 23 A. Back then, I lived together with Koy Khuon's family. I
- 24 accompanied him back and forth to Kampong Cham and other places,
- 25 and I also prepare food for them. I also did laundry for them, as

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- 1 well. So I helped them with all the ability I could.
- 2 Q. So you are saying that your main role was mainly the house --
- 3 housekeeping work; is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes, that was correct.
- 5 [16.39.53]
- 6 Q. So, after the liberation day, after the 17 of April 1975, you
- 7 said that you worked at K-1 and K-3; can you tell the Court your
- 8 day to day work at K-1 and K-3?
- 9 A. Yes, I can -- I can. When I was in K-1 and K-3 -- and I -- I
- 10 think I have already responded to this question earlier -- my
- 11 role was mainly to transport rice, vegetable, foodstuff to K-1
- 12 and K-3. This was my routine daily work and, at times, I also
- 13 assisted in preparing foods for the leaders, as well.
- 14 Q. You said you helped transport vegetables and foodstuff; did
- 15 you grow vegetable yourself?
- 16 A. I used to grow vegetable and I -- I grew them in the vacant
- 17 space in between office K-1 and K-3.
- 18 Q. Was it a small-scale vegetable growing or it's vegetable
- 19 growing that have the specific pattern?
- 20 A. No, it was a very small-scale planting or growing. It was
- 21 somewhere close to the house and the building.
- 22 [16.42.14]
- 23 Q. How much time did it take you to grow vegetable? How much time
- 24 did you spend on growing vegetable?
- 25 A. It varied; sometime, it took me half an hour and, at other

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- 1 times, it took me an hour or so.
- 2 Q. Concerning a question and an answer asked by a group -- by
- 3 OSAS back in 2005, you mentioned Koy Khuon; was it Koy Khuon or
- 4 Koy Thuon really?
- 5 A. I have clarified this name very clearly over the past several
- 6 days that it was not Koy Thuon, but Koy Khuon, alias Thuch.
- 7 Q. So when you were interviewed with this group back in 2005, did
- 8 they ask you for clarification; whether or not the name was Koy
- 9 Thuon or Koy Khuon?
- 10 A. They did not ask for clarification.
- 11 [16.43.51]
- 12 MR. KONG SAM ONN:
- 13 Thank you, Mr. Witness. And thank you, Mr. President. That is all
- 14 for me.
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Thank you.
- 17 The proceedings on the testimony by witness Pean Khean is coming
- 18 to an end now.
- 19 And before we conclude today's hearing, we would like to thank
- 20 Mr. Pean Khean for taking your time to testify before the Chamber
- 21 in accordance with the summons by the Chamber.
- 22 This is your second time to appear before the Chamber. The first
- 23 time, due to your health reasons, you could not stand testifying
- 24 before this Chamber. But since you are now in better health, you
- 25 appeared again before the Chamber. And now, your testimony is

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- 1 coming to an end and there is no further question from the
- 2 parties concerning the matter at hand. So you can now return to
- 3 your home.
- 4 [16.45.06]
- 5 Today's proceeding is coming to an end, and the Chamber is
- 6 scheduled to continue the proceeding on the 21st of May 2012,
- 7 that is on Monday next week.
- 8 According to our scheduling order, we advise the parties that the
- 9 Chamber will continue to hear witness TCW-487. And the Chamber
- 10 wishes to advise the parties and the public that the testimony of
- 11 this witness, according to our calculation and based on the
- 12 indication by the parties, that the testimony will take two days
- 13 from the -- but due to the fact that this witness is concluded
- 14 earlier, within one day, and tomorrow there will not be any
- 15 witness scheduled to appear before the Chamber.
- 16 [16.46.33]
- 17 And then, to date, the Chamber has not been advised concerning
- 18 the health status of Mr. Ieng Sary. The Chamber will examine the
- 19 medical report on the health status of Mr. Ieng Sary on Monday,
- 20 first thing on Monday, before the proceedings commence.
- 21 Security guards are instructed to bring Mr. Khieu Samphan and Mr.
- 22 Nuon Chea back to the detention facility of the ECCC and bring
- 23 the three co-accused, including Mr. Ieng Sary, to this courtroom
- 24 on Monday, before 9 a.m.
- 25 If Mr. Ieng Sary has problems sustained and that he cannot attend

1	the meeting, the Chamber will examine the medical report provided
2	by the physician of the ECCC and the Chamber will look into the
3	Rule 81.5, and we will consider this case on Monday morning.
4	The Court is now adjourned.
5	(Court adjourns at 1648H)
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