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- 1 PROCEEDINGS
- 2 (Court opens at 0909H)
- 3 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 4 Please be seated. The Court is now in session.
- 5 During today's session the Chamber will be conducting a hearing
- 6 on two separate points. First, the Chamber will give the floor to
- 7 the accused, Nuon Chea, to be able to make his own statement in
- 8 response to the paragraphs in the Closing Order, the paragraphs
- 9 that are relevant to Segment 3 of case file 002/1, and the
- 10 paragraphs that had already been read out to the parties to the
- 11 proceedings by the greffiers of the Trial Chamber, and by Ms. Se
- 12 Kolvuthy as of yesterday.
- 13 [09.11.05]
- 14 Mr. Nuon Chea will have the floor, except he waives his right to
- do so, and that to be clear, the responses have to be relevant to
- 16 the paragraphs as indicated, and that Judges also will be putting
- 17 some questions to the Accused person if he wishes to respond to
- 18 the questions.
- 19 And the next item would be the hearing on document -- the
- 20 documents to be put by the Judges of the Bench, and the documents
- 21 to be put by the parties to the proceeding -- those of which that
- 22 are most relevant to the structure of Democratic Kampuchea, and
- 23 the documents, as stated in the decision by the Trial Chamber on
- 24 the 24th of September 2012. The reference is document E233, if
- 25 you would like to have a look at it.

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- 1 [09.12.39]
- 2 The Chamber, at the same time, notes that, there are a lot of
- 3 documents that have been raised before the Chamber that are
- 4 important, but in the actual courtroom debate these documents do
- 5 not provide enough information to the public. And on top of that,
- 6 there are a lot of documents that are put by the parties during
- 7 the proceedings, so it is very important that the Chamber needs
- 8 to get some clarification from the parties with regard to the
- 9 numbers of documents, including the exculpatory and inculpatory
- 10 evidence.
- 11 And to make sure the public is better informed, the Chamber would
- 12 like to conduct today's hearing for the document hearing so that
- 13 parties can identify the documents they wish to be put before the
- 14 Chamber concerning the Democratic Kampuchea.
- 15 At the same time, the Accused person is allowed to make any
- 16 statement or responses to the submission of the documents, and by
- 17 doing so, the Chamber hopes that it will be able to locate the
- 18 relevant documents, both inculpatory and exculpatory.
- 19 [09.14.10]
- 20 And we also hope that parties will only select the specific and
- 21 certain relevant documents that are mainly relevant to the
- 22 structure of the Democratic Kampuchea that fall within these
- 23 segments of the trial. And the Chamber wishes to also inform the
- 24 parties to refrain from putting the same documents that have
- 25 already been debated during the proceedings so far.

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- 1 So this is a brief purpose of today's hearing, and we envisage
- 2 that this hearing will take about three to four days depending on
- 3 the volume of the documents to be put or proposed by the parties
- 4 to be put before the Chamber during the proceedings.
- 5 Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea, you may now proceed.
- 6 MR. IANUZZI:
- 7 Thank you, Mr. President and good morning, everyone. Just a few
- 8 points this morning. I did speak to our client just before Your
- 9 Honours came into the courtroom and he has informed that he'll
- 10 need approximately five minutes to make his submission this
- 11 morning.
- 12 [09.15.35]
- 13 My second point is a brief request for clarification with respect
- 14 to something that happened yesterday, and this has to do with the
- 15 questioning of the witnesses.
- 16 In July, your Chamber ruled that we can -- we can -- we are
- 17 permitted to base questions on information contained in documents
- 18 that are not before the Chamber as long as we don't quote from or
- 19 refer to them. As long as we don't quote from or refer to the
- 20 documents.
- 21 Yesterday, you ruled, and correct me if I'm wrong, but you ruled
- 22 that all questions, every single question put to a witness, must
- 23 somehow explicitly relate to a document and that includes witness
- 24 statements, I believe that's what you said, and that we are also
- 25 obliged to refer to that document in Court.

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- 1 [09.16.26]
- 2 So I assume the logical disconnect between those two positions is
- 3 obvious to everyone on the stage; it's certainly obvious to me.
- 4 Perhaps your position is clearer in your collective judicial
- 5 minds, but I would be grateful, I would be grateful, so that I
- 6 know how to proceed before this Chamber, to know what is the
- 7 position. Can you reconcile those two points and could you please
- 8 do it perhaps in writing at a later stage so that it is very
- 9 clear, because, at the moment, I'm afraid; it's clear as mud.
- 10 And my third point would be, just, again, with respect to
- 11 something that happened yesterday. I had a guick look at my
- 12 agenda, my diary for the coming weeks, and I will be in New York
- 13 at the end of this month. So if Your Honours are planning to
- 14 issue a written complaint, as I believe you mentioned yesterday,
- 15 I would be more than happy, more than happy to deliver that in
- 16 person to the New York Bar Association.
- 17 I think things have a tendency to get lost in the shuffle there,
- 18 and I'm speaking from experience in a previous case, so I would
- 19 be more than happy to hand deliver that document. I think we all
- 20 have an interest in having those issues aired quickly and
- 21 publicly, and again, I turn over the floor to my client. Thank
- 22 vou.
- 23 [09.18.03]
- 24 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 25 I thank you very much, Counsel, for that, but please be informed

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1 that the Chamber has all the necessary means to channel that

- 2 message and we know how we can do our job on this.
- 3 And with regard to your application, you should have made it in
- 4 writing, and please made it clear that you lay out the ground for
- 5 such application or motion, because we believe that you would
- 6 like the Trial Chamber to issue a reasoned decision also.
- 7 So to make sure that we are fair on this, you have the reasoned
- 8 motion and then the decision by the Chamber will eventually be
- 9 reasoned accordingly, and it has to be made in writing. And you
- 10 have already been informed time again that you should have done
- 11 so in writing.
- 12 [09.19.07]
- 13 And the Chamber have already informed you as well to inform the
- 14 Chamber before you have the floor, for example, by briefing the
- 15 Chamber on a few points, the purpose of your submission or
- 16 application.
- 17 And finally, the Chamber would like to reiterate our position
- 18 that the motion shall always be made in writing so that we have
- 19 the ground for our reasoned decision, and we would like to avoid
- 20 any criticism for not issuing such a reasoned decision in the
- 21 future.
- 22 Mr. Nuon Chea, the Chamber has already granted your request and
- 23 the Chamber wishes to also remind you that you are not allowed to
- 24 make any statements or remarks that are straying out of the
- 25 paragraphs that have already been part of the Closing Order and

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- 1 read out by the greffiers of the Trial Chamber early last week,
- 2 and in the afternoon of yesterday. So please be well informed,
- 3 you are confined to respond to only the relevant paragraphs as
- 4 read out, and the -- please make sure that you comply with
- 5 Internal Rule 89bis(2).
- 6 Mr. Nuon Chea, you will now have the floor to make such remarks
- 7 or response; however, before ceding the floor to you, the Chamber
- 8 has a question.
- 9 [09.21.12]
- 10 Are you poised to respond to the questions to be put by the
- 11 Judges of the Bench and the parties to the proceeding concerning
- 12 Case File 002/1, segment 3, or not? Please respond to this
- 13 question first before the floor is given to you to make your
- 14 remarks.
- 15 MR. NUON CHEA:
- 16 Mr. President, my health is not good. I may have to exercise my
- 17 right not to respond or I have to exercise my right to remain
- 18 silent.
- 19 After reading the paragraphs -- hearing the paragraphs in which I
- 20 have been alleged to have committed the crimes, I would like to
- 21 now comment on the roles I played as follows:
- 22 In particular, with -- relevant to paragraphs 121 to 123,
- 23 paragraph 873 to 881, the accusations against me with regard to
- 24 the security centres, and I would like to reject all these
- 25 accusations and I would like to state very clearly that I have

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- 1 never been engaged in such committees before, and at the same
- 2 time, I played no role at all in managing S 21 Office. That's all
- 3 from me, Mr. President. Thank you very much.
- 4 [09.23.17]
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Thank you, Mr. Nuon Chea, for indicating your precise waiver of
- 7 the right to remain silent. Indeed, it is enshrined in the
- 8 Internal Rule.
- 9 The Chamber also would like to remind parties to the proceedings
- 10 that Co Prosecutors will be allotted one day and a half for this
- 11 while the civil parties will have a half day when the defence
- 12 counsels will have two days for putting the documents before the
- 13 Chamber. And this time -- these allocated times also include the
- 14 time when the Accused person would also be making some comments
- during the course of the proceedings as well.
- 16 [09.24.29]
- 17 As indicated in the instruction by the Chamber, Mr. -- or
- 18 counsels for Ieng Sary or Mr. Ieng Sary himself will be given
- 19 some opportunities to also respond to the documents if necessary.
- 20 We would like to also hear from the three defence counsels how
- 21 time is going to be divided or allocated among themselves.
- 22 And at the same, the Chamber wishes to inform Mr. Nuon Chea and
- 23 Khieu Samphan that the Chamber fully understands your rights to
- 24 remain silent.
- 25 Mr. Ieng Sary already expressly waived his right to respond to

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- 1 any questions, the right that he has waived for a long time.
- 2 Again, as the Chamber indicates, the Accused persons will have
- 3 opportunities to make any remarks or responses to any of the
- 4 documents being put before the Chamber should each of the Accused
- 5 wish to exercise their rights to respond. And it is not
- 6 obligatory for an accused person to make any remarks or response
- 7 at all to any of the documents, the Chamber just wishes to remind
- 8 them that indeed if they wish to do so they can.
- 9 [09.26.44]
- 10 Mr. Nuon Chea and Mr. Khieu Samphan, can you tell the Chamber
- 11 please whether you would wish to make any comments or remarks
- 12 with regard to the documents going to be put before the Chamber?
- 13 Starting from Mr. Nuon Chea first.
- 14 MR. IANUZZI:
- 15 Thank you, Mr. President. We are still in the process of
- 16 discussing with our client and amongst ourselves whether our
- 17 participation in this exercise, I'm not quite sure I understand
- 18 what it is, quite frankly. We're still debating whether it's in
- 19 the interests of our client to submit documents, to make comments
- 20 on documents. As I said, we don't really understand what's going
- 21 on with these next four days.
- 22 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 23 Counsel for Mr. Khieu Samphan, you may proceed.
- 24 MS. GUISSÉ:
- 25 Yes, good morning, Mr. President. Good morning everyone. Mr.

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- 1 Khieu Samphan does not intend to make any comments now, and we
- 2 also said that given the limited character of what we may do,
- 3 because we cannot plead when evidence is being tendered, we do
- 4 not intend to present any documents in this hearing. Thank you,
- 5 Mr. President.
- 6 [09.28.27]
- 7 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 8 Thank you, Counsel.
- 9 It is too bad that the Chamber already issued the instruction and
- 10 the memorandum, document E233, dated on the 24th of September
- 11 2012, on this. Nonetheless, counsel for Nuon Chea was on his feet
- 12 and indicated that he had no idea what the debate would be about,
- 13 so I would not wish to elaborate further on this because we
- 14 already believe that the counsels were already well informed.
- 15 MR. IANUZZI:
- 16 If I could just clarify something you said. I didn't understand
- 17 your memorandum. That's what I didn't understand, E233. It's not
- 18 that I have no idea what this is about. I don't understand what
- 19 the Chamber wants. Thank you.
- 20 [09.29.55]
- 21 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 22 Thank you, Counsel.
- 23 We have never heard so far from the date when the memorandum had
- 24 been issued, and should you wish to state that you did not
- 25 understand the memorandum you should have already indicated that

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- 1 already before the hearing today.
- 2 (Judges deliberate)
- 3 [09.32.02]
- 4 How about the Office of Co Prosecutor? Have you made all the
- 5 documents ready for the presentation to the Court? Have you done
- 6 your part in relation to our memorandum, E233?
- 7 MR. LYSAK:
- 8 Yes, Mr. President. We've provided to the Senior Legal Officer
- 9 and the other parties lists of the documents that we intend to
- 10 present over the day and a half.
- 11 [09.32.50]
- 12 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 13 How about the Lead Co Lawyer for the civil parties?
- 14 MR. PICH ANG:
- 15 Mr. President, good morning. Your Honours, good morning. I
- 16 apologize; I am a bit late due to the traffic jam. We have
- 17 already prepared all the documents.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 Now, I hand over to the Prosecutor to present the documents
- 21 before the Chamber.
- 22 You may proceed.
- 23 [09.33.30]
- 24 MR. LYSAK:
- 25 Thank you, Mr. President. Good morning to everybody. Your

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- 1 Honours, I am going to start today by giving just a quick
- 2 overview of the presentations that will be made today and the
- 3 next day that we resume by the Co Prosecutors. Our presentation
- 4 will consist of documents relevant to the key allegations in the
- 5 Closing Order, in the administrative structures and
- 6 communications sections, and will be divided into three parts.
- 7 [09.34.07]
- 8 The first part, which my colleague and I will begin this morning,
- 9 will focus on the roles of the Central and Standing Committee of
- 10 the Communist Party of Kampuchea, including their decision-making
- 11 authority and their communication of Party lines and policies by
- 12 various means to the organizations that formed Democratic
- 13 Kampuchea.
- 14 The second presentation that will be done by my other colleague
- 15 here today, will focus on documents relating to the structure of
- 16 the Democratic Kampuchea government, including the functions and
- 17 operations of four ministries, Foreign Affairs, Commerce,
- 18 Propaganda, and Social Affairs, and how those ministries reported
- 19 to the party leaders and implemented policies established by the
- 20 Centre.
- 21 The third and last presentation will focus on documents relating
- 22 to communications, including the detailed telegrams and reports
- 23 that were sent from the zones and autonomous sectors to the
- 24 Centre, pursuant to a regime of reporting that was mandated by
- 25 the Standing and Central Committees.

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- 1 And as part of that presentation, you will also see some examples
- 2 of reports from the commune, district and sector levels by which
- 3 information was communicated up the hierarchy until eventually
- 4 reaching the leaders in Phnom Penh.
- 5 [09.35.50]
- 6 Together, the documents that will be presented by the Co
- 7 Prosecutors will show how the key organizations that formed the
- 8 Democratic Kampuchea regime functioned, how information was
- 9 communicated up to the leaders in the Centre, and how policies
- 10 and directives were disseminated down from the Centre to the base
- 11 for implementation.
- 12 And I will now turn the floor to my national colleague who will
- 13 start a presentation of documents on the Standing and Central
- 14 Committees.
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 You may proceed.
- 17 MR. BUNKHEANG:
- 18 Thank you, Mr. President. And good morning, Your Honours, and
- 19 good morning to everyone.
- 20 [09.36.56]
- 21 As my esteemed colleague indicated, I am going to make a
- 22 presentation on the roles and composition of the Central
- 23 Committee and the Standing Committee of the Communist Party of
- 24 Kampuchea.
- 25 With your leave, I would like to project certain documents on the

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- 1 screens, as I go along making this presentation. My first
- 2 document is E3/130 entitled the Statute of the Party -- the
- 3 Statute of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.
- 4 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 5 You may proceed.
- 6 MR. BUNKHEANG:
- 7 Thank you, Mr. President. This document outlines the roles and
- 8 authorities of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of
- 9 Kampuchea, and Article 7 provides that: from one General Assembly
- 10 to another Assembly there was the supreme organ of the Party,
- 11 which is the Central Committee.
- 12 And Article 8 of the Party Statute also provides that: for any
- 13 regions or organization that was unique in nature, both in
- 14 military or economics, cultural or social cultural section may
- 15 assign in a separate division under the direct -- in direct
- 16 leadership of the Central Committee.
- 17 [09.38.53]
- 18 The precise role of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, as provided
- 19 for in Article 23, also provides that:
- 20 The roles and responsibility of the Central Committee was:
- 21 One, implement the Party line and the Statute of the Party;
- 22 Two, give direction to all Party branches and cells across the
- 23 country so as to ensure that they comply with the political lines
- 24 of the Party;
- 25 And third, organize the Party members as well as core members by

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- 1 controlling the biographies as well as the appointment of those
- 2 members.
- 3 [09.40.00]
- 4 In Article 25 of the Party also provides that:
- 5 The Central Committee shall convene a General Assembly every six
- 6 months in order to monitor the progress of the Party as well as
- 7 to set direction for all sections.
- 8 At the same time, Mr. Khieu Samphan also testified before the
- 9 Office of Co Investigating Judges by providing necessary
- 10 information in relation to the role of the Central Committee as
- 11 well as the Standing Committee of the Communist Party of
- 12 Kampuchea.
- 13 Document E3/27, which is the record of the interview of Mr. Khieu
- 14 Samphan, dated the 13 of December 2007; and ERN in Khmer 00156618
- 15 to 20. Relevant ERN in English 00156749 to 51; and in French
- 16 00156671 to 72.
- 17 Mr. Khieu Samphan stated that, Communist Party of -- Democratic
- 18 Kampuchea was a Communist state led by the Party, and he also
- 19 said that, as a principle, the main organ of the Party is the
- 20 Central Committee, but in real practice, the Standing Committee
- 21 was the supreme organ, and the decision of the direction of the
- 22 Party was decided by the Standing Committee.
- 23 [09.42.09]
- 24 And Mr. Khieu Samphan also mentioned that, the Central Committee
- 25 meets every six months, from 1970, and the Central -- Standing

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- 1 Committee meets on regular basis, approximately every seven to 10
- 2 days or even more frequent as necessitated by the circumstances.
- 3 In response to the question in relation to the composition of the
- 4 Standing Committee as well as the Central Committee, Mr. Khieu
- 5 Samphan stated that, the Standing Committee comprised of seven
- 6 members, namely, Pol Pot, Nuon Chea, Vorn Vet, So Phim, Ta Mok,
- 7 Son Sen, and Ieng Sary.
- 8 And I would like to reiterate that in this Committee it was not a
- 9 requirement that everyone had to be present, but as for the
- 10 Central Committee, there were 30 members, but he did not recall
- 11 all the names of members of the Committee, but he -- those whom
- 12 he can recall was Meas Muth, who was the son in law of Ta Mok,
- 13 and in 1975 he was transferred to lead the navy forces.
- 14 "Sua Vasi, alias Doeun, was the chairman of Office 870, Koy Thuon
- 15 and Ke Pauk, and I, myself, was the member of the Central
- 16 Committee before I was a candidate member in 1971 and then I was
- 17 promoted to be the full right member in 1976."
- 18 [09.44.09]
- 19 In another record of interview, dated the 14 of December 2007,
- 20 the Co Investigating Judges also asked Mr. Khieu Samphan to
- 21 describe the roles of Office K 1 and K 3, and at that time Mr.
- 22 Khieu Samphan said:
- 23 "It was the place where the Standing Committee worked and resided
- 24 and K 1 was in front of the Tonle Bassac. It was located in a
- 25 building close to the conference hall, and K 3 was adjacent to

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- 1 the Royal Palace. It was in the building blocks crossing
- 2 Kampuchea Krom and Pasteur, and there was another road crossing.
- 3 "As for I, myself, I stayed in K 3. I stayed there for a few
- 4 months before I was -- after I was transferred from a civil
- 5 pagoda. Those who stay in K 3 included Nuon Chea, Son Sen, and
- 6 Ieng Sary. As for Pol Pot, he came to stay at night once in a
- 7 while, but as a preventative measure he frequently changed his
- 8 residence. He also stayed at times at K 1.
- 9 [09.45.41]
- 10 "As for the meeting of the Standing Committee, normally they were
- 11 held at K 1 but sometimes they were also held at K 3 or at Pol
- 12 Pot's house."
- 13 There was another document, E3/89, which is the interview with
- 14 Mr. Ieng Sary on the 17 of December 1996. In this document Mr.
- 15 Ieng Sary mentioned the composition of the Standing Committee and
- 16 the presence of Mr. Khieu Samphan in those meetings. In document
- 17 E3/89, relevant ERN in Khmer, 00062453 to 54; English, 00417600;
- 18 French, 00332682; Mr. Ieng Sary responded to the questions as
- 19 follows:
- 20 Question: "So then, was there some sort of Central
- 21 Committee-level meeting in late 1975?" Response: "In September
- 22 1975 there was a meeting to decide what we had to do then to keep
- 23 Vietnam from coming to take control of Cambodia."
- 24 [09.47.25]
- 25 And then there was a follow-up question, and the question reads:

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- 1 "So was this decided at the Standing Committee level or by the
- 2 Central Committee as a whole?"
- 3 And Mr. Ieng Sary responds: "It was only the Standing Committee,
- 4 not the Central Committee, the Standing Committee."
- 5 Then the next question quote: "So who was in the Standing
- 6 Committee then?" End quote.
- 7 Mr. Ieng Sary responded quote: "Virtually all of the Standing
- 8 Committee was there: Pol Pot, Nuon Chea, So Phim, me, Son Sen,
- 9 and Ta Mok." End quote.
- 10 Then the next question reads quote: "Ta Mok? And Vorn Vet, or
- 11 not?"
- 12 And Ieng Sary responded, "Vorn Vet, Vorn Vet, yes." End quote.
- 13 And then the next question quote: "And Khieu Samphan?" End
- 14 quote.
- 15 Response by Ieng Sary quote: "No, but Khieu Samphan was
- 16 present." End quote.
- 17 [09.48.37]
- 18 Question: "Was present, but was not a member of the Standing
- 19 Committee?"
- 20 Ieng Sary responded, "He was not a member of the standing
- 21 Committee." End quote
- 22 So I would like to read this portion of the interview with Mr.
- 23 Ieng Sary. So the authority and the responsibility of the Central
- 24 Committee was presented in document E3 (sic), dated the 30th of
- 25 March 1976, and this document related to the decision of the

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- 1 Party in relation to certain matters. In this document, the
- 2 decision to smash the inside and outside the rank, there was the
- 3 decision as follows:
- 4 "One, there is a framework in absolute implementation of our
- 5 Revolution; two, to strengthen our socialist democracy, all this
- 6 to strengthen our state authority.
- 7 "If in the base framework to be decided by the Zone Standing
- 8 Committee, surrounding the Centre Office to be decided by the
- 9 Central Office Committee, independent sectors to be decided by
- 10 the Standing Committee, the Central Military to be decided by the
- 11 Central Staff."
- 12 [09.50.06]
- 13 And in Part II of this decision outlines the organization of the
- 14 state organs established at that time. In this it says, it has to
- 15 organize this -- Party organs to be the Revolutionary Party
- 16 organs and it follows that. "As a matter of fact, the true nature
- 17 of our Party was different. Before it was the Front but now it
- 18 belongs exclusively to the Party."
- 19 There was another example in document E3/232, dated 8 of March
- 20 1976. This document is the record of the base level meeting
- 21 participated by Pol Pot, the Secretary, and Nuon Chea, Deputy
- 22 Secretary, as well as Khieu Samphan. In this particular meeting,
- 23 Mr. Khieu Samphan reported the election that was to be conducted
- 24 on the 20 of March 1976 in order to elect the People's Assembly
- 25 representative.

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- 1 And in this record of the meeting, in Part 1.2 (D); in ERN in
- 2 Khmer, 00017118; English, 00182630; French, 00323933; which reads
- 3 as follows:
- 4 [09.52.09]
- 5 "If anyone asks, we must explain, not to be wild and disorderly,
- 6 do not let it be seen that we want to suppress. At the same time,
- 7 do not speak playfully about the Assembly in front of the people
- 8 to let them see that we are deceptive, and our Assembly is
- 9 worthless. In fact, it still remains the task of the Party."
- 10 In another document, E3/507 (phonetic), which is the minutes of
- 11 the discussion of the -- no, the confrontation conducted by the
- 12 Office of Co Investigating Judges, dated the 14th of November
- 13 2007, Mr. Khieu Samphan stated that:
- 14 "It is a fact that I participated in the meeting, the enlarged
- 15 meeting of the Standing Committee, and in that particular
- 16 Committee meeting they discussed the general issue in relation to
- 17 the national defence, national rehabilitation, Vietnam issue, as
- 18 well as the tenders of resignation of Prince Norodom Sihanouk."
- 19 [09.53.28]
- 20 Then I would like to move on to the minutes of the meeting of the
- 21 Standing Committee in which Mr. Khieu Samphan participated,
- 22 document E3/197, which is the record of the meeting of the
- 23 Standing Committee, which was conducted on the 11 of March 1976
- 24 with the following agenda: One is the tendering of resignation by
- 25 Prince Norodom Sihanouk.

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- 1 In these particular minutes of the meeting, it notes the
- 2 composition of the participant -- namely, Comrade Pol Pot,
- 3 Secretary; Deputy Secretary, Nuon Chea; Vorn Vet alias Khieu;
- 4 Khieu Samphan alias Hem; and Comrade Doeun.
- 5 In this very meeting, Mr. Khieu Samphan reported to the Standing
- 6 Committee of the Communist Party of Kampuchea in relation to the
- 7 resignation of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk, in this particular
- 8 meeting there was a discussion by the leaders of the Communist
- 9 Party of Kampuchea from the 11th to the 13th of March 1976.
- 10 [09.54.46]
- 11 In the meeting on the 11th of March 1976, point number II, which
- 12 reads, "Opinions of Angkar"; Point number 1, "The reasons which
- 13 led Sihanouk to resign".
- 14 These minutes recorded the various reasons for the resignation of
- 15 Norodom Sihanouk and I would like to quote as follows -- quote:
- 16 "There were two reasons, namely: the long term and the immediate.
- 17 "A. The long term reason: Fundamental class conflict between him
- 18 and his family and the Revolution. He cannot live with us. In the
- 19 past, he could, only as a tactic. Since we operated tactically he
- 20 could go along with us. He did not just resign one time. He
- 21 resigned since 1971."
- 22 Document E3/179 also described the situation and that was
- 23 conducted in -- on the 13 of March 1976.
- 24 [09.55.55]
- 25 In Part III of these minutes in relation to the opinions of

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- 1 Angkar, of the meeting on the evening of the 13th, in these
- 2 minutes it recorded that, Comrade Hem reported to the Standing
- 3 Committee on Sihanouk problem. He has decided to absolutely
- 4 resign from his position, and he explained that Angkar should
- 5 take pity on him, and he would even crawl and show the gesture of
- 6 respect, whatever, just let him resign, and this resignation has
- 7 nothing to do with the opposition against us.
- 8 And comrade secretary explained that this problem is a major
- 9 one; and leave it to our Centre to decide.
- 10 In this particular meeting of the Standing Committee, also noted
- 11 six measures which were later agreed by the members of the
- 12 Standing Committee -- I would like to raise some relevant points:
- 13 "1. Do not let Sihanouk leave the country; and
- 14 "3. Send a wire for his children to come immediately, explaining
- 15 that they are coming for the New Year's and the independence
- 16 celebrations. We want to resolve this problem cleanly, and we
- 17 must resolve it like this to the benefit of the revolution."
- 18 [09.57.27]
- 19 Then, in this same minute, it also outlines the decision and
- 20 resolution of the Party, which recorded as follows:
- 21 "As a matter of fact, Sihanouk is a skinny tiger. He was clawless
- 22 and jawless as well, so he is waiting for his dying day.
- 23 Therefore, he is just waiting for the day of his death. But if he
- 24 -- this old tiger, is released to walk along the road, the
- 25 children will suddenly be frightened, and some adults who don't

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- 1 know that he is only the tame tiger will be frightened as well."
- 2 Another part of the record also indicated that:
- 3 "He also joined the revolution with us, even though he had
- 4 conflicts with us. This is why the Party decided for him to be
- 5 Chairman of the State Presidium, but he did not agree. So,
- 6 whether he stays or goes, it is his matter. We keep him as a
- 7 dignitary. We do not kill him. But for the nation and the people
- 8 he bears serious guilt, in his status of a killer of the people.
- 9 Therefore, our decision is reasonable in every way. We will
- 10 maintain him, but if he keeps on struggling to free himself we
- 11 must end."
- 12 [09.59.06]
- 13 In relation to the Revolution and the direction of the
- 14 development of Revolution, these minutes read: "We must end
- 15 feudalism, just like this. The chess game has gotten to that
- 16 point. The entire feudalist regime has been permanently smashed
- 17 and dug out by the revolution. The Kings existing over 2,000
- 18 years must, in the end, be clean. We have no way out other than
- 19 this one."
- 20 According to the document during the examination, document
- 21 E3/557, as indicated, Mr. Khieu Samphan also stated that there
- 22 was a problem, among many others, that had to be discussed during
- 23 the meeting of the Standing Committee, in which he also was in
- 24 attendance. It was the issue concerning Vietnam.
- 25 [10.00.10]

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1 With regard to these, it can be found under document E3/218, the

- 2 document of -- the minutes of the Standing Committee, and the
- 3 item of agenda conclude -- include the negotiations with Vietnam
- 4 concerning the border to the East. And the meeting was led by
- 5 Secretary of the Party, Mr. Nuon Chea and Son Sen, Khieu Samphan,
- 6 Ya, and Doeun also joined the meeting. The meeting stated about
- 7 the report by Comrade Ya, who stated to the meeting concerning
- 8 the results of the negotiations with Vietnam from the evening of
- 9 the 7th until the morning of the 9th of March, 1976.
- 10 According to these minutes, Nuon Chea rendered some instructions
- 11 and quidance as indicated in point number 2, document ERN in
- 12 Khmer 00000756 to 57, English ERN 00182656 through 57, French ERN
- 13 00334971.
- 14 At the same time, on point number 2, concerning the future
- 15 measures, point A indicates clearly that:
- 16 "Keep implementing the measures of the Party, political, military
- 17 and diplomatic. Comrade Deputy Secretary recalled the content of
- 18 the Standing Committee's decision in the meeting of the 11th of
- 19 March concerning the problems on the Eastern border protection
- 20 and sending the minutes to Comrade Ya."
- 21 [10.02.38]
- 22 According to the meeting on the 11th of March concerning the
- 23 Eastern border, as stated in document E3/218, which was the
- 24 minutes of the Standing Committee dated 11 of March 1976, we can
- 25 see that the meeting was joined by the three accused persons,

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- 1 including Mr. Nuon Chea, Khieu Samphan, and Ieng Sary.
- 2 On top of that, on point C, which is the future measures -- the
- 3 same document E3/218 -- Son Sen was assigned to prepare the map
- 4 to be ready before negotiation with Vietnam was conducted. The
- 5 same meeting on point number 3 concerning the Vietnamese
- 6 activities at other locations also state that, the knowledge of
- 7 the Standing Committee of the conflicts with Vietnam and other
- 8 locations, and also the decision made by the Standing Committee
- 9 concerning the use of mine, the seizure of the motor boats and
- 10 the arrest of people who run to Vietnam. I would like to quote
- 11 the minute as follows:
- 12 [10.04.09]
- 13 "During the negotiations in the Northeast, at other locations,
- 14 the Vietnamese carried out activities non-stop, as in:
- 15 "A. In the East: In the Chbot area of Snuol District, they built
- 16 a road across our land along an old French road and entered four
- 17 to five kilometres into our territory. The Party instructed the
- 18 use of mines. At Kbal Cham, their tractor drove into our
- 19 territory and hit a mine, killing the driver, and they came to
- 20 drag it back. At another location, on the Svay Rieng border they
- 21 came and emplaced more than 200 bamboo marker posts more than a
- 22 kilometre into our territory.
- 23 [10.05.11]
- 24 "At -- on the sea: They have their small boats and vessels
- 25 aggress into our territorial waters frequently. We have fired on

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- 1 and sunk some small boats.
- 2 "Therefore, with Vietnam, our problems are never ending. We must
- 3 continue the political struggle, the diplomatic struggle, but
- 4 must use military force in combination as well. Be vigilant for
- 5 another thing with people who flee to Vietnam and who do not
- 6 return and make propaganda leading others to revolt. The bases
- 7 have taken measures on this problem already."
- 8 Khieu Samphan also was mentioned under document E3/557 in which
- 9 Mr. Khieu Samphan indicated that there was meeting in the
- 10 Standing Committee in which he attended. The meeting was about
- 11 the national defence, document E3/229, which is also a Standing
- 12 Committee's minute on the 22nd of February 1976. The items of the
- 13 agenda include the national defence in particular. Under this
- 14 document we learn that the people who attended the meetings
- 15 include six people, Comrade Pol Pot; Nuon Chea; Ieng Sary alias
- 16 Van; Vorn Vet; Son Sen alias Khieu; Sua Vasi alias Doeun; and
- 17 Comrade Thuch; Comrade Hem.
- 18 [10.07.00]
- 19 The agenda is about the report on the national defence situation,
- 20 the situation on the Eastern border and also the concern with
- 21 regard to the transportation of ammunition. And Comrade Hem (sic)
- 22 discussed about the establishment of a military hospital. The
- 23 decision was endorsed by the Standing Committee and measures were
- 24 laid out. Those include:
- 25 "A. In principle, [when] we negotiate with them, we negotiate,

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- 1 but importantly, we must prepare defence forces. If we only
- 2 implement politics or have no military measures, then when they
- 3 come in large numbers in the future, we will have difficulty
- 4 resolving that. We must examine the strong and weak points and be
- 5 ready to fight; when they come, go at them immediately."
- 6 At the -- we must cooperate closely with the base level and the
- 7 military and the base are in agreement and close to one another.
- 8 And also, there was a proposal concerning the establishment of
- 9 the airfield in Kampong Chhnang. In the minutes conducted on the
- 10 22nd of February 1976, in the evening, items of agenda including
- 11 economics also raised. Document E3/230 indicates the presence of
- 12 the three Accused persons, and the same people attended this
- 13 meeting as that of the meeting that was about national defence.
- 14 However, there was additional member, Comrade Touch, who took
- 15 part in the next meeting.
- 16 [10.09.16]
- 17 Matter concerning energy, transport, and the matter of Yugoslavia
- 18 were discussed and Angkar gave the following opinions and
- 19 instructions. If we look at first point, which is about salt
- 20 production, the Standing Committee would like to propose pushing
- 21 additional production from 50,000 to 60,000 tonnes.
- 22 And on point number 5, which is about adding forces, there was a
- 23 proposal by the Standing Committee to use additional adolescent
- 24 children from the base areas and handing them over to industry
- 25 for management.

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- 1 [10.10.09]
- 2 Point number 8, the Chinese boats which have -- rather the
- 3 distribution of Chinese aid rice. "Distribute a quality of rice
- 4 to Comrade Muth, 5,000 bags; to Koh Kong, 2,000 bags; and to
- 5 Sector 25, 10,000 bags. As for the remaining amount, keep in
- 6 reserve for use in Phnom Penh."
- 7 Next, the final item to be presented today concerns the public
- 8 dissemination during the Democratic Kampuchea, the information
- 9 endorsed by the Standing Committee. We noted already that some
- 10 witnesses also stated that they learned about the composition of
- 11 the Standing Committee of the CPK through broadcasts, radio
- 12 broadcasts for example.
- 13 Next, I would like to give some examples concerning the radio
- 14 broadcasts of the Democratic Kampuchea. I would like to only
- 15 touch upon the broadcasts from December 1977, and I also note
- 16 that the Chamber may also wish to locate some other documents
- 17 under Appendix 5, the list of documents from the Office of
- 18 Co-Prosecutors, document relevant from September 1977 all the way
- 19 to January 1979. I would like to now bring to you some documents
- 20 concerning the Democratic Kampuchea as follows:
- 21 [10.12.02]
- 22 Document E3/1495, Khmer ERN 00727838; English, 00168315; French
- 23 ERN 00750223. This document records the radio broadcasts by Phnom
- 24 Penh radio station at 23 hours on the 3rd of December 1977. It is
- 25 about the meeting between the members of the political office of

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1 the CPK and the Communist Party of China. The people in the

- 2 meeting include Comrade Pol Pot, the Party Secretary, and the
- 3 Secretary of the Standing Committee; and the Prime Minister,
- 4 Nuon Chea, the Deputy Secretary of the Central Committee, and
- 5 also the head of the Standing Committee of the Peoples'
- 6 Representative Assembly; Mr. Ieng Sary, Member of the Standing
- 7 Committee of the CPK, and the Deputy Prime Minister in charge of
- 8 foreign affairs; Comrade Von Vet, Member of the Standing
- 9 Committee of the Central Committee of the CPK, and the Deputy
- 10 Prime Minister in charge of economy; Comrade Son Sen, Member of
- 11 the Standing Committee of the Central Committee, and the Deputy
- 12 Prime Minister in charge of Ministry of Defence.
- 13 [10.13.55]
- 14 Document E3/1496, under ERNs in Khmer 00727587, and English ERN
- 15 00168351, French ERN 00726150. This document records the radio
- 16 broadcasts in Phnom Penh at 23 hour, the universal time on the
- 17 24th of December 1977. This radio broadcast was about a banquet
- 18 in the conclusion of the mission joined by the delegation from
- 19 the Chinese political bureau of China. And this broadcast was
- 20 also about the roles of Mr. Pol Pot, Nuon Chea, Ieng Sary and Von
- 21 Vet in the Standing Committee and the Central Committee of the
- 22 CPK as indicated in the previous meeting as well.
- 23 And the final document is document E3/1499, and the ERN in Khmer
- 24 is 00714316 and 00714318, still in Khmer; English ERN 00168363
- 25 through 64; French ERN 00743645 through 46. These documents

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- 1 indicate the record of the radio broadcast of the same hour, the
- 2 23 hour on the 23rd of December 2000 -- rather 1977, and also a
- 3 radio broadcast on the 19th of December. It was about the banquet
- 4 offered to -- for the Laotian delegation, and in that broadcast
- 5 the roles of Mr. Nuon Chea, Ieng Sary, Vorn Vet were indicated to
- 6 be relevant to the Standing Committee and the Central Committee
- 7 of the CPK as well.
- 8 [10.16.43]
- 9 My PowerPoint presentation -- rather, my presentation on the
- 10 documents to be put before the Chamber comes to a conclusion
- 11 already. I would like to cede over the floor over to my colleague
- 12 to continue for me.
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 International Co-Prosecutor, you may now proceed.
- 15 MR. LYSAK:
- 16 Thank you, Mr. President, Your Honours. Today I will focus my
- 17 presentation on documents that show the role of the Standing and
- 18 Central Committees in communicating Party lines, decisions,
- 19 directives, and policies for implementation by the regional,
- 20 military and government organizations that formed Democratic
- 21 Kampuchea.
- 22 [10.17.40]
- 23 The first document that I would like to start with is E3/182,
- 24 that's E3/182. These are the minutes of the 9th -- a meeting of
- 25 the Standing Committee that was held on the 9th of October 1975.

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- 1 And the section that I would like to present reflects the
- 2 statements by the Standing Committee on the obligation of
- 3 regional organizations to implement the Party lines and decisions
- 4 that were made by the Centre.
- 5 The section of the minutes titled "Measures", which starts at the
- 6 bottom of page 2 and continues on page 3 of the Khmer original,
- 7 and those Khmer ERN pages are 00019110 and 19109, and I will note
- 8 for Your Honours that in the Khmer original on ZyLAB pages 2 and
- 9 3 are in the wrong order, you can see that from the top -- from
- 10 the page numbers at the top.
- 11 [10.19.08]
- 12 The English ERNs are 00183394 through 183395, and the French ERN
- 13 is 00292869 through 292870. And in this part of the Standing
- 14 Committee minutes, the following measures are stated: "Each
- 15 Sector must have total mastery in the sense of implementing the
- 16 Party line and the decisions of the Party, with initiative, being
- 17 on the offensive to arrange carefully and in detail, quickly, and
- 18 in succession."
- 19 Continuing to the next paragraph:
- 20 "In order to achieve objectives, for one thing there must be a
- 21 stance of special high responsibility by grasping the general
- 22 Party lines, in particular the line of contacts with one's
- 23 section must follow the lines clearly, and the process must be
- 24 clear in the sense of implementation with initiative and
- 25 management. Therefore, we will take the Party's lines and

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- 1 decisions and reserve inventiveness."
- 2 At the bottom of this paragraph it is stated -- quote: "In
- 3 bringing up projects, we must ask the Standing Committee's
- 4 opinion so it may decide and approve." End of quote.
- 5 [10.20.55]
- 6 And, continuing on down to the next page, in the paragraph 2,
- 7 which is titled -- which reads as follows -- quote:
- 8 "Working in each individual sector without asking the Standing
- 9 Committee. This is a mistake. Therefore, that is why we must
- 10 solve [problems] by taking the Party's decisions and implementing
- 11 directly and well." End of quote.
- 12 Your Honours, one of the means by which the Standing and Central
- 13 Committees communicated these Party lines and instructions to
- 14 regional organizations was by speeches or presentations at zone
- 15 congresses, some of which were then published in "Revolutionary
- 16 Flag". And there are three issues of "Revolutionary Flag" that
- 17 contain speeches or comments by Party representatives from the
- 18 Centre that were made at such zone conferences that I would like
- 19 to present.
- 20 The first is document E3/760, that's E3/760, and this is the June
- 21 1976 issue of "Revolutionary Flag". In this document, starting at
- 22 Khmer ERN page 00062845 through 62846, English ERN 00509611, and
- 23 French ERN 00487756, the Party published -- quote: "Extracts from
- 24 the Instructions of the Comrade Party Organization Representative
- 25 during a Zone Conference"; that was held from the 3rd to 7th of

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- 1 June 1976.
- 2 [10.23.28]
- 3 An explanation is provided in this document as to the reason this
- 4 speech was being published which states as follows, and this is a
- 5 quote that appears in a box immediately under the title of the
- 6 section -- quote:
- 7 "From 3 June 1976 through 7 June 1976 a zone conference was held.
- 8 The Comrade Party Organization Representative attended this
- 9 conference and gave opinions and guidance on many important
- 10 issues that the conference raised for discussion, surrounding in
- 11 particular the strategy and tactics to attack and achieve three
- 12 tonnes per hectare during this year.
- 13 "The experience of the right and the wrong that this Zone
- 14 conference raised for examination and discussion and the opinions
- 15 and quidance that the Comrade Party Organization Representative
- 16 raised during this conference may be studied by other Zones and
- 17 Sectors throughout the country in order to further improve our
- 18 strategic and tactical lines to advance toward achieving the
- 19 mission of three tonnes per hectare.
- 20 [10.25.00]
- 21 "Therefore, we wish to provide the following extract of the
- 22 opinions and guidance of the Comrade Party Organization
- 23 Representative during this conference to our comrades to examine,
- 24 consider, and study, as follows:"
- 25 And the next pages of the document that follow this contain the

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- 1 opening comments of the Party Organization Representative. And
- 2 following those opening comments, there is a parenthetical that
- 3 can be found at Khmer page 00062848 through 62849, English ERN
- 4 00509614, and French ERN 00487758, and that parenthetical reads
- 5 as follows -- quote:
- 6 "(Next the conference began to hear the report of the Zone
- 7 Committee and to discuss the issues raised in the agenda. After
- 8 listening to the report and discussing each of the issues, the
- 9 Comrade Party Organization Representative provided opinions and
- 10 guidance. We wish to provide the following excerpts of the
- 11 opinions and quidance of the Comrade Party Organization
- 12 Representative)."
- 13 [10.26.55]
- 14 And what immediately follows that parenthetical is a section of
- 15 such opinions and quidance regarding the enemy situation. At the
- 16 very end of this part -- this part of the "Revolutionary Flag",
- 17 at Khmer ERN 00062873 through 62874, English ERN 00509634, and
- 18 French ERN 00487783 through 487784, is a section titled "Parting
- 19 Words at the Closing of the Zone Conference", in which the
- 20 following remarks were published -- quote: "This afternoon, we
- 21 hold the closing ceremony for our conference after having worked
- 22 successfully for three and a half days."
- 23 Moving down, later on this page quote:
- 24 "We will report the outcome of this Zone Conference to the
- 25 Central Committee and will disseminate the experiences of this

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- 1 Zone and this conference throughout the country as well, and
- 2 through this we will further modify and improve our strategic and
- 3 tactical lines."
- 4 [10.29.02]
- 5 Continuing on to a further paragraph below quote:
- 6 "Our objective is to have all you comrade representatives grasp
- 7 and use the outcome of the conference, in particular the
- 8 strategic and tactical lines to achieve socialist revolution and
- 9 build socialism and achieve three tonnes per hectare and
- 10 implement them in all our base area cooperatives, and ministries
- 11 and offices inside the Zone in order to achieve three tonnes per
- 12 hectare."
- 13 And the closing remarks quote:
- 14 "In closing, let me send my best wishes to all you comrade
- 15 returning to the base areas to implement the decisions of our
- 16 conferences successfully, in particular to achieve three tonnes
- 17 per hectare during 1976."
- 18 [10.30.10]
- 19 The next document that I will present, Your Honours, is document
- 20 E3/193 -- E3/193, which is the August 1977 issue of
- 21 "Revolutionary Flag". And this issue published a presentation of
- 22 the Party organization representative, regarding a number of
- 23 instructions in building, strengthening, and expanding Party
- 24 leadership on the occasion of the West Zone cadre conference,
- 25 held on the 25th of July 1977. In contrast to the Zone conference

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- 1 speech from June 1976 that I just discussed, which focused
- 2 primarily on instructions to achieve three tonnes per hectare,
- 3 the document that I'm about to present primarily focused on the
- 4 problem of internal enemies within the ranks.
- 5 [10.31.25]
- 6 The 25 July 1977 presentation that is published in this issue of
- 7 "Revolutionary Flag" begins as follows, at Khmer ERN 00062948,
- 8 English ERN 00399222 through 399223, and French ERN 00611826. And
- 9 I will quote from the start of the presentation on those pages -
- 10 quote:
- 11 "I wish to make a presentation regarding the instructions of the
- 12 Party on a number of important matters for implementation in the
- 13 second semester of 1977. These are important issues that must be
- 14 implemented from now until late 1977. As I have learned from the
- 15 reports of the Zone these past several days, the comrades in
- 16 every Sector have already studied these Party instructions.
- 17 However, on this opportunity to learn from the model district
- 18 (Kampong Tralach Leu), the Zone Com. joins me in seeing that it
- 19 is necessary to further disseminate and clarify these
- 20 instructions so that comrades may further assess and consider
- 21 their concrete meeting in your individual base areas. Why raise
- 22 these matters again, clarify them again? In order to assess at
- 23 year's end if we have strongly accomplished these tasks,
- 24 completely accomplished our 1977 tasks. This is the objective. If
- 25 we can grasp these instructions clearly in terms of concrete

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- 1 implementation, we clearly will accomplish the 1977 plans.
- 2 Therefore, the instructions, which we clarify at this time are to
- 3 absolutely achieve three tonnes and six tonnes, to achieve
- 4 attacking and cleaning out the enemy, and to absolutely build
- 5 Party leadership." End of quote.
- 6 [10.34.20]
- 7 At the start of the next section of this document, which is at
- 8 Khmer ERN 00062949, English 00399223, and French ERN 00611827,
- 9 there is a reference to a Party decision from the prior Zone
- 10 conference that was held in February 1977. And, reading from the
- 11 document, I quote quote:
- 12 "According to the decisions of the Party throughout the country
- 13 and as I recall according to the decisions of the Party in the
- 14 West Zone during the February 1977 Conference in Kampong Chhnang,
- 15 we agreed 'To do whatever it takes so that each 1,000-family
- 16 cooperative has 30 Party members, 50 core organization members,
- 17 and 80 progressives." End of quote.
- 18 [10.35.50]
- 19 The speech in this document that was given in the West Zone
- 20 conference and published in the "Revolutionary Flag" magazine
- 21 contained a number of instructions communicated for
- 22 implementation by the Zone.
- 23 And, Mr. President, I'm about to get into some more lengthy
- 24 sections of the document, so if you wish me to stop here for the
- 25 break, I can. Or I can continue on for a few more minutes.

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- 1 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 2 Thank you very much.
- 3 It is now appropriate moment for adjournment. The Chamber will
- 4 adjourn for 20 minutes. The next session will be resumed by 11
- 5 o'clock.
- 6 (Court recesses from 1036H to 1059H)
- 7 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 8 Please be seated. The Court is now back in session.
- 9 The Chamber would like to now give the floor to Co-Prosecutor to
- 10 continue his presentation of the documents.
- 11 MR. LYSAK:
- 12 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 13 [11.00.28]
- 14 When we broke, we were -- I was presenting document E3/193, which
- 15 is the August 1977 "Revolutionary Flag", which published a speech
- 16 that was made by Party organization representative at the West
- 17 Zone Conference. And I was just about to turn to the section of
- 18 the speech that contains discussion and instructions for
- 19 implementation by the zone.
- 20 And, after a fairly lengthy explanation of the history of traders
- 21 in the West Zone, which I will not read from, as we covered it --
- 22 some of that in the last few days of testimony -- I will read an
- 23 instruction that was conveyed regarding Party membership, which
- 24 you will find at Khmer ERN 00062955, English ERN 00399228 through
- 25 399229, and French ERN 00611832. And this part of the

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- 1 presentation to the West Zone Conference states as follows -
- 2 quote:
- 3 [10.02.21]
- 4 "First, the Party has determined to expand new membership only in
- 5 good locations that have no traitor elements, meaning those
- 6 locations in the Sectors and districts, in the base areas, in the
- 7 ministries and offices large and small, and in the various units.
- 8 Any good locations that have no traitors, that have good
- 9 elements, good cadre and Party member elements, must be expanded.
- 10 This is the first thing.
- 11 "Second, the Party has determined that any locations with traitor
- 12 elements must not be expanded."
- 13 The speech continues on to tell Zone cadres that 50 per cent of
- 14 the Zone was quote: "not good". And that 15 to 20 per cent of
- 15 those people were traitors. The Zone cadres were told that
- 16 soldiers from the former regime and Kampong Som businessmen
- 17 control cooperatives in their region. And then, at Khmer ERN
- 18 00062963 -- that's 62963 -- through 62964, English ERN 00399235,
- 19 and French ERN 00611839 -- the following instruction was given -
- 20 quote:
- 21 [11.04.35]
- 22 "Take this zone for example. In this zone there are embedded
- 23 enemies. In the Sectors, there are embedded enemy elements. In
- 24 the districts, there are also embedded enemy elements, and so on.
- 25 After we seized victory throughout the country, they came to bore

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1 holes to seize state power back from us. Zone state power, Sector

- 2 state power, District state power. Especially, they seized state
- 3 power in the cooperatives because we had few cores in those
- 4 locations. Examine the cooperative coms. What is their class
- 5 composition? Look at the composition at the spearheads
- 6 controlling the platoons, the fertilizer spearheads, the seed
- 7 spearheads, the sowing, seeding, and transplanting spearheads,
- 8 the water spearheads. Who controls them inside the cooperatives?
- 9 The poor peasants, the lower-middle peasants, the middle
- 10 peasants, or various other classes?"
- 11 Continuing on to Khmer 0062964 through 62965, English ERN
- 12 00399236, and French, 00611840, the presentation states as
- 13 follows quote:
- 14 [11.06.21]
- 15 "Prepare the poor peasants and the lower-middle peasants to
- 16 control the cooperatives, to attack and smash the state power of
- 17 other classes who stole control from of our cooperatives and give
- 18 it back to the poor peasants and the lower-middle peasants down
- 19 below. Now we have been able to screen and fight in the Zone,
- 20 able to fight in the Sectors, able to fight in the Districts; but
- 21 we have not yet been able to fight in the cooperatives. It is
- 22 imperative to prepare forces to attack, attack and smash the
- 23 enemy and the no-good elements embedded inside and controlling
- 24 the cooperatives. Use which forces to attack? This problem is not
- 25 just in the West Zone; every Zone throughout the country is like

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- 1 this. Therefore, it cannot be ignored. It is imperative to see
- 2 that the cooperatives are still controlled by the enemy and other
- 3 classes." End of quote.
- 4 Towards the end of this presentation, there is a story told by
- 5 the Party Centre representative, and instructions that are given
- 6 that I will now present. This can be found at Khmer ERN 000062977
- 7 through 62978, English ERN 00399245 through 399246, and French
- 8 ERN 00611850 through 611851 quote:
- 9 "At the Zone Party Representative Conference during May 1976 at
- 10 Longveaek, when I arrived, I immediately met with the Zone
- 11 Committee, and Ham was among them as well. Talking informally
- 12 about this and that, Ham said, 'Private property cattle are
- 13 fatter than collective property cattle, petty bourgeois cattle,
- 14 the cattle of the rich peasants, are fatter than the cattle of
- 15 poor peasants'.
- 16 [11.09.16]
- 17 "In the conference, I went into combat immediately. I had to
- 18 struggle. This was class struggle. It was a struggle in terms of
- 19 political stance, ideological stance, and organizational stance.
- 20 Had I not struggled, that force would have spread more during the
- 21 conference and we would have become even more confused. To
- 22 believe that private property cattle are fatter than collective
- 23 property cattle is to attack the collective regime, to attack the
- 24 Party's socialist revolution, whether wittingly or unwittingly.
- 25 But Ham attacked in an organized way. He attacked in the status

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- 1 of an enemy. At that time, we did not yet know that he was an
- 2 enemy, but we knew that speaking like, the stance was
- 3 counter-revolutionary, in opposition to the collective regime. So
- 4 then, this is why we struggled immediately during the conference.
- 5 "After a while, we discovered that Ham was an enemy embedded
- 6 inside our Party. Therefore, the nature that he displayed was an
- 7 attack on the socialist regime. With just that, we gradually came
- 8 to see his nature. He attacked beginning with small things like
- 9 that. In fact, he attacked the collective regime. So then, this
- 10 is why it is imperative to whip up the poor peasants and the
- 11 lower-middle peasants to understand the reasons.
- 12 [11.11.05]
- 13 "If sometime the door is re-opened to private property, what will
- 14 become of the poor peasant and the lower-middle peasant class?
- 15 Therefore, it is imperative to whip up:
- 16 "1. To whip up inside our ranks;
- 17 "2. To whip up among the people."
- 18 Continuing down one paragraph further, the speech concludes as
- 19 follows quote:
- 20 "Now, what is the process of setting up the cooperatives? Propose
- 21 that by late 1977, at least 50 per cent or more of the
- 22 cooperatives throughout the entire Zone be set up to be good and
- 23 clean in accordance with the class line.
- 24 "Therefore, what is to be done from now until the end of the
- 25 year? It is imperative to arrange for the poor peasants and the

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- 1 lower-middle peasants to take charge of state power in every part
- 2 of each cooperative in more than 50 per cent of the cooperatives
- 3 throughout the Zone, and by mid-1978 at the latest, 100 per
- 4 cent." End of quote.
- 5 [11.12.25]
- 6 And immediately below, following this, at the very end of this
- 7 issue of "Revolutionary Flag", is a notice requiring the study
- 8 and implementation of this presentation throughout the country --
- 9 and I quote:
- 10 "Notice: Propose that every leadership echelon in the Party
- 11 concentrate on examining, discussing, and studying this
- 12 presentation conscientiously in order to take it for
- 13 implementation in their respective Zones and get good results."
- 14 Your Honour, the S-21 confession of Ou Pin alias Ham, the Deputy
- 15 Secretary of Sector 32 of the West Zone who dared to criticize
- 16 collective property, is document IS5.71.
- 17 [11.13.47]
- 18 Also, in 1978, the Party published an issue of "Revolutionary
- 19 Flag" that contained a presentation at a West Zone conference.
- 20 And that is the next document that I will present, which is
- 21 E3/745 -- E3/745. And this is the March 1978 issue of
- 22 "Revolutionary Flag".
- 23 The first section of this document contains opinions of the CPK
- 24 Comrade Secretary that were made at the annual West Zone
- 25 conference held following the end of 1977. And I would like to

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1 start by reading a few excerpts from the part of Pol Pot's speech

- 2 relating to defence and internal enemies. The page references
- 3 that I will first read from are at Khmer, 00064455 through 64456;
- 4 English ERN 00504072; and French ERN 00491845. And, at this page,
- 5 the CPK Secretary made the following statement to the West Zone
- 6 cadres quote:
- 7 "In May 1976, enemy elements still held much power. The line of
- 8 the Party in every field was not disseminated down to the base
- 9 areas and was not implemented in the base areas. Why? Because we
- 10 had not sorted out the organizational issues. However, by 1977 we
- 11 were able to sort out the organizational issues. After fighting
- 12 politically and ideologically, we fought organizationally. We
- 13 purged in terms of organization.
- 14 [11.16.13]
- 15 "After we had fundamentally purged in terms of organization, we
- 16 were able to implement the politics and ideology of the Party
- 17 among the masses. Thus, the composition this year is much
- 18 different than it was in 1976 and it is far different than it was
- 19 in February 1977 too. So then, we see that this fight was very
- 20 tense and things have been turned upside down. Why? Because of
- 21 those who held power in the Army and in the Party and in a number
- 22 of ministries and offices who had been revolutionary elements for
- 23 a long time, some since the era of political struggle for
- 24 decades, who had so-called labels, renowned trademarks, who had
- 25 secretly embedded inside the ranks of the state authority to

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- 1 destroy our Party and revolution. We discovered all these
- 2 strings, and we fundamentally eradicated them all and renewed the
- 3 face of this Zone a lot. You could assume that it has been turned
- 4 upside down." End of quote.
- 5 At Khmer, 00064456 through 57; English, 00504073; and French,
- 6 00491846; the Comrade Secretary continued as follows quote:
- 7 [11.18.01]
- 8 "1977 was only 12 months, but this fight seems like it has been
- 9 going on for decades. In this one year of 1977, it seems as if
- 10 decades have been sorted out. Things have been turned upside
- 11 down. In just a moment, there has been a huge change. This is
- 12 what is called a profound revolution. Had we accommodated the
- 13 enemy, the situation would not have turned upside down like this.
- 14 The enemy would still be with us. They would not just be in the
- 15 cooperatives, they would be in the District Committees, the
- 16 Sector Committees, and higher committees. This is a very serious
- 17 issue because the districts and Sectors and so on have the right
- 18 to govern the cooperatives. Thus, it would be even more serious.
- 19 "The Centre has studied and learned from the fighting during
- 20 1977. Our Party mastered attacking the internal enemies first."
- 21 End of quote.
- 22 [11.19.08]
- 23 An example of the action taken by the Centre, against enemies, is
- 24 provided by the CPK Secretary at Khmer ERN 00064458 through 59;
- 25 English, 00504073; and French, 00491847 through 48. And in this

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- 1 part of the presentation -- reads as follow quote:
- 2 "An example: Immediately when the Yuon enemy attacked us in the
- 3 East, the Party issued immediate circulars to have the monitor
- 4 every base area to see: What internal elements are there? How are
- 5 they making propaganda to have the Yuon attack us? We gave
- 6 immediate instructions. We gained immediate mastery and
- 7 instructed the taking of immediate measures. When the Yuon
- 8 attacked us, the Yuon agents come to the surface. These CIA
- 9 agents come to the surface. The CIA and the Yuon are the same.
- 10 They both attack the Kampuchean revolution. They just wear Yuon
- 11 labels or CIA labels. Their theme is the same. Their mission is
- 12 the same. No-good elements and hooligan elements that wreck and
- 13 come to make propaganda to come to carry out sabotage have to be
- 14 fought and sorted out in a timely manner. When we examine this in
- 15 a timely manner, we immediately see the enemy."
- 16 At Khmer, 00064460 through 61; English, 00504075; and French ERN
- 17 00481849; the Party Secretary concluded his discussion of this
- 18 subject as follows quote:
- 19 [11.21.57]
- 20 "Regarding all these issues, in order to defend well, there is
- 21 only purging the Party, inside the ranks of the Army, and the
- 22 inside of the ranks of the people well to make them clean. This
- 23 issue is the key issue. No matter how numerous the troops are, no
- 24 matter how many weapons they have, if the Party is not clean, if
- 25 the Army is not clean, there is no defence."

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1 And, Your Honours, I also would draw your attention in this

- 2 document that the final section of the Comrade Secretary's
- 3 speech, which starts at Khmer ERN 00064466; English, 00504081;
- 4 and French, 00491853. This section of the document contains a
- 5 discussion by the Party Secretary of the 1978 plan that was being
- 6 presented to the West Zone.
- 7 [11.23.27]
- 8 The last document I will discuss that shows the Party Centre
- 9 going out to the zones to directly communicate Party lines and
- 10 policies is E3/1094 -- that's E3/1094 -- which is a monthly
- 11 report that was sent from the West Zone office -- M-401 -- to --
- 12 sent to Angkar on the 4th of August 1978. And I would refer here
- 13 just to one section of this document, which is section 4 of the
- 14 report, which can be found at Khmer ERN 00143611 through 143612,
- 15 English ERN 00315376, and French ERN 00593532, which contains the
- 16 following discussion of the process by which plans and policies
- 17 from the Centre had been disseminated to the base quote:
- 18 [11.24.55]
- 19 "In July 1978, we organized educational sessions to educate
- 20 cadres and Party members from all Sectors in the Zone. The
- 21 attendees, in general, included members of the Sectors, district
- 22 secretaries, committee of cooperative and Party members. At the
- 23 same time, we opened educational sessions to educate the core
- 24 organization included Youth League members and the based people.
- 25 "The documents used for education were taken from all seven

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1 documents of the Party. They were documents which the Party used

- 2 to educate us in June in the first seminar of 1978. We took some
- 3 parts of the documents to use in general study.
- 4 "The result of the education sessions shows that cadres, Party
- 5 members, and core organization have understood and absorbed well
- 6 from all documents, especially, about the lines on country
- 7 defence, ongoing socialist revolution, and construction of
- 8 socialism on all sectors. They also understood well that the main
- 9 factor here is to build the leadership forces, and especially to
- 10 destroy the hidden enemy burrowing from within. They also
- 11 understood clearly and absorbed well about the Party's plan and
- 12 method to gather and increase friends and reduce enemy." End of
- 13 quote.
- 14 [11.26.45]
- 15 Your Honours, another group of documents that I would like to
- 16 present today are a group of documents through which the Party
- 17 Centre disseminated Party lines, policies and instruction -- were
- 18 written circulars or directives. And I will now present a number
- 19 of examples of these documents. First, document E3/781 -- that's
- 20 E3/781 -- and this is a circular that was distributed in
- 21 September 1975. And it is titled "Document Number 3: Examination
- 22 of control and implementation of the policy line on restoring the
- 23 economy and preparations to build the country in every sector".
- 24 The purpose of this document is reflected in the very first
- 25 section -- at the very outset of the document -- which reads as

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- 1 follows quote:
- 2 [11.28.02]
- 3 "This document concerns Economy, Finance, Culture, and Social
- 4 Action.
- 5 "1. Control and implementation of the Party's policy line to
- 6 build agriculture.
- 7 "Objective: To examine the control of, the absorption of, and the
- 8 implementation of the Party's agricultural line to push
- 9 agriculture to expand in a great leap to the maximum according to
- 10 the instructions of the Party." End of quote.
- 11 A number of subjects are discussed in this Party circular,
- 12 including the Party's decision on the use of currency. At Khmer
- 13 ERN 0072389; English, 00523585; and French ERN 00543760 through
- 14 61; the document states as follows quote:
- 15 "It is not yet so necessary for us to use money.
- 16 "The reason that it is not yet, is because of governing, we do
- 17 not have mastery. We do not yet have experience in maintaining
- 18 and protecting it.
- 19 "Another reason, the enemy is carrying out activities to destroy
- 20 our money, especially the American imperialist who play an
- 21 important role." End of quote.
- 22 [11.29.57]
- 23 The -- this discussion of the use of money continues on the
- 24 following pages: Khmer, 72390; English, 523586; and French,
- 25 543761 quote:

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- 1 "Therefore, if we use money, that money will fall into private
- 2 hands, if when it does, it will lead to the creation of private
- 3 ownership, and if there is private ownership there is separation
- 4 from the collective.
- 5 "Money is a tool they use to get to power and authority. If this
- 6 money falls into the hands of bad groups, of the enemy, they will
- 7 use it to carry out activities to destroy the ranks of our bad
- 8 cadres, with them suing it to bribe them this way and that way.
- 9 So, after a while, one by one they fall into gathering up this
- 10 private ownership and creating that one. Through this it becomes
- 11 a right to authority, because they have the money, they can bribe
- 12 and tug on emotions. If it is like this, within one year, 10
- 13 years, 20 years, our clean Kampuchean society will become
- 14 Vietnam." End of quote.
- 15 [11.31.28]
- 16 The Party's plan to export rice is also discussed in this
- 17 circular, at Khmer ERN 00072393; English, 00523588; and French
- 18 ERN 00543763 through 764 -- and, again, I quote:
- 19 "We can produce 3 million tonnes of rice. We save 1.8 million
- 20 tonnes for the people to eat, 400,000 for Social Action. We still
- 21 have 800,000 tonnes. This amount we will take for sale outside
- 22 and gain some capital. This capital is used to build the country.
- 23 This capital will be used for national construction and national
- 24 defence.
- 25 "The problems today are only collection and transport.

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- 1 "The bases must designate about the products, how much must the
- 2 sub-districts, Districts, Sectors, Zones keep, and how much must
- 3 they provide to upper echelon.
- 4 "Later we will eliminate villages. We will not permit them, and
- 5 will organize collectives instead." End of quote.
- 6 And the circular also discusses the evacuation of Phnom Penh and
- 7 further movements of the population.
- 8 [11.33.15]
- 9 I would like to read two passages on this subject that can be
- 10 found at Khmer ERN 00072396 through 72397; English, 00523590
- 11 through 591; and French, 00543765 through 766. And this part of
- 12 the circular contains the following statements quote:
- 13 "In the past we have been short of medicines, leading to sickness
- 14 and pain, malnourishment, malaria, and food shortages. This has
- 15 impacted the labour force to an important degree. The people with
- 16 the greatest shortages are those who were evacuated from Phnom
- 17 Penh and the surrounding areas."
- 18 Continuing in the next paragraph below quote:
- 19 "We must divide the people according to production requirements.
- 20 We will make appropriate preparations to adjust to requirements.
- 21 Sufficient arrangements must be made; do not let it swing back
- 22 and forth.
- "In the Northwest, we must add an additional force of 500,000
- 24 people.
- 25 "Preah Vihear has requested 50,000 first. In Preah Vihear there

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- 1 is the possibility of solving food supplies. Preah Vihear has
- 2 70,000 old people already. So send 20,000 first as we go along."
- 3 [11.35.12]
- 4 "In the North, they need people to be given to Kampong Thom
- 5 province.
- 6 "The East also needs forces to be given to Sectors which are
- 7 short of people.
- 8 "So each zone must make appropriate preparations and not let
- 9 things sway back and forth, allocating how many to upper level
- 10 and moving how many to other locations." End of quote.
- 11 The decision to move an additional 500,000 people that was
- 12 referenced in that circular was the result -- or followed a
- 13 Standing Committee trip to the Northwest Zone that occurred from
- 14 the 20th to 24th of August 1975. That is recorded in document
- 15 E3/216. That's E3/216.
- 16 Let me turn and present that document now, before I return to
- 17 other examples of Party circulars. The record of the Standing
- 18 Committee trip to the Northwest Zone begins with a report on the
- 19 general situation in the base. The paragraphs discussing the
- 20 people's situation on the first page include the following
- 21 observations quote:
- 22 [11.36.41]
- 23 "Shelters have been prepared for the people everywhere. The base
- 24 people are stable. There are not yet shortages of livelihood. The
- 25 Party has continually supplied war booty from the towns. However,

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- 1 remote districts are still in need and many people are also
- 2 suffering from diseases.
- 3 "The new people are experiencing shortages, shortages of food
- 4 supplies as well as shortages of medications. Many living west of
- 5 Lvea and along the Stueng Mongkol Borey stream have caught
- 6 fever." End of quote.
- 7 The section of this document discussing the enemy situation
- 8 contains the following statement by the Standing Committee, which
- 9 you will find at Khmer, 000008486; English, 00850973; and French,
- 10 00343375 quote:
- 11 [11.38.00]
- 12 "There exist within our ranks those who have not yet been purged.
- 13 They make use of them to lead people to flee. We have been able
- 14 to arrest them one after the other, and are now continuing to
- 15 search them out." End of quote.
- 16 The section of this document reporting the opinions or decisions
- 17 of the Standing Committee contain a number of statements
- 18 regarding the New People who had previously been evacuated to the
- 19 Northwest Zone, including two excerpts that I will read that can
- 20 be found at Khmer ERN 0008489; English, 00850975 through 976; and
- 21 French, 00343377. And at this part of the document, the Standing
- 22 Committee report states as follows quote:
- 23 "The function of cooperatives since the total liberation is to
- 24 absorb all the new people coming out of all the cities and towns,
- 25 especially Phnom Penh city and, in the Northwest, Battambang.

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- 1 Every type of horrible element exists among the hundreds of
- 2 thousands of new people in Battambang, but the cooperatives have
- 3 absorbed them completely, supplying them with food and, moreover,
- 4 deploying their strength to work. The power of the cooperatives
- 5 is very mighty and indomitable."
- 6 [11.40.00]
- 7 Continuing a few paragraphs down quote:
- 8 "In the Northwest Zone, it is possible to sort things out
- 9 temporarily, although some shortages remain. Things are okay with
- 10 the base people, but be vigilant against no-good elements among
- 11 the new people taking advantage of things, because these
- 12 contemptibles would not stay with us even if we were to give them
- 13 sufficiency (2 cans [of rice a day])." End of quote.
- 14 One of the concrete measures decided by the Standing Committee in
- 15 this document concerned defences to be implemented on the border.
- 16 And, at Khmer ERN 00008490; English, 00850977; and French,
- 17 00343378; I will read number 2 of the listed concrete measures
- 18 decided by the Standing Committee quote:
- 19 [11.41.24]
- 20 "A mix of old and modern weapons should be used including
- 21 especially spikes to place along the border. Make a plan on how
- 22 many spikes to be used in one month. All kinds of spikes must be
- 23 used (those at the height of a person's foot sole, instep and
- 24 shin and up to the stomach)." End of quote.
- 25 And, finally, in relation to this document, at Khmer ERN

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- 1 00008492; English, 00850978; and French, 00343379; the Standing
- 2 Committee determined that additional people were required in the
- 3 Northwest Zone, stating -- and I quote:
- 4 "Its human being strength is insufficient. The labour force must
- 5 be increased. Three or 400,000 more would not be enough. The
- 6 current strength of 1 million persons can only work 50 per cent.
- 7 It's imperative to add 4 or 500,000 more." End of quote.
- 8 [11.43.05]
- 9 Returning to examples of circulars or directives that were issued
- 10 by the Party Centre, I would now like to present document E3/1173
- 11 that's E3/1173 -- which is circular number 02-76, titled
- 12 "Instructions from 870" -- that was issued by Committee 870 on
- 13 the 27th of February 1976. The subject of this circular is -
- 14 quote: "The 25 February 1976 bombing of Siem Reap city by the
- 15 American imperialists". In this circular, the Standing Committee
- 16 asserts that the explosion in Siem Reap was the result of U.S.
- 17 bombing. They then continue to make the following statement that
- 18 relates to the purpose of the evacuation of Phnom Penh, in the
- 19 bottom paragraph of the first page. And I quote as follows -
- 20 quote:
- 21 "When our Second National Congress announced the stance of great
- 22 national solidarity and condemned just the seven traitors, the
- 23 American imperialists hoped that this was an opportunity for them
- 24 to carry out their plans to attack us after their defeat, since
- 25 they continued to maintain their forces inside Phnom Penh and the

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- 1 provincial cities. But after we were victorious, we removed the
- 2 people from Phnom Penh and the cities, and the American
- 3 imperialist plan to attack us after their defeat was broken up
- 4 and scattered." End of quote.
- 5 On the last page of this circular, the Standing Committee
- 6 instructed on measures that were to be implemented -- and I
- 7 quote:
- 8 [11.45.27]
- 9 "The Standing Committee proposes using this event to re-educate
- 10 the Party internally, the core organizations, the Army, and the
- 11 masses, aimed at -- stirring up hatred of the enemy to be hot and
- 12 sharp at all times -- aimed at building the stance of constant
- 13 revolutionary vigilance -- building stances, ideology, politics
- 14 and organization to make socialist revolution and build socialism
- 15 to be strong -- defending the territory absolutely at all costs,
- 16 defending the fruits of the revolution absolutely and at all
- 17 costs -- and joining with the people as one block of flesh and
- 18 blood to go on the offensive making rice field dyke systems to
- 19 achieve 3 tonnes per hectare and to modify the livelihood of the
- 20 people following the objectives of the Party.
- 21 "Method of operation:
- 22 "Internal re-education in the Party, the core organizations, the
- 23 Army;
- 24 "Conducting meetings to stir up the people's hatred." End of
- 25 quote.

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- 1 [11.46.41]
- 2 Your Honours, in reviewing this document for this presentation, I
- 3 note -- as was also noted by the translator in the English
- 4 version -- that the version of this that was copied -- obtained
- 5 from DC-Cam and copied -- has just pages 1 and 3 of a 3 page
- 6 document, and is missing page 2. We are prepared to make some
- 7 inquiries to determine whether that was a copying error, or
- 8 whether this is all that exists of the document, unless the
- 9 Chamber would initiate that ourselves.
- 10 We are happy to determine whether this was an error or not, but I
- 11 wanted to alert the Chamber to the fact that we are -- the
- 12 version that is in the case file was missing the second page.
- 13 (Judges deliberate)
- 14 [11.48.20]
- 15 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 16 Thank you.
- 17 The Chamber will instruct the Senior Legal Officer to examine
- 18 this to find out whether or not it was a technical error or it
- 19 was the negligence on the part of anyone that led to the loss of
- 20 certain page in the document.
- 21 MR. LYSAK:
- 22 Thank you, Mr. President.
- 23 I'll continue on now to a new document, which is document E3/740
- 24 -- E3/740 -- which is an 11 July 1977 directive from Committee
- 25 870 regarding the use of the terms "Angkar" and "Party". And the

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- 1 key part of this directive reads as follows quote:
- 2 "Our Party has observed that using the term 'Angkar' to address
- 3 an individual does not gain anything towards building the
- 4 political stance, psychological stance and the organizational
- 5 stance of the Party. It is contrary to our Party's socialism and
- 6 revolutionary stance and our Party's stance in eliminating
- 7 private ownership."
- 8 [11.49.55]
- 9 "Therefore, the Party Central Committee would like to issue
- 10 Directive to every local base, ministry, office, and unit as
- 11 follows:
- 12 "1. The term 'Angkar' and 'Party' is used only for the
- 13 organization. It shall not be used for any individual.
- 14 "2. For individual: 'comrade', 'the person's name', or 'comrade
- 15 in this or that position', or 'comrade representing Angkar at
- 16 this or that level' shall be used.
- 17 "For example: Comrade Teng; Comrade Secretary; Comrade
- 18 Representing Angkar or Zone.
- 19 "The Party organization of all levels shall direct and educate
- 20 our comrades and friends on this issue to make them fully absorb
- 21 and successfully implemented."
- 22 [11.50.48]
- 23 The next document I will present is document E3/741 -- that's
- 24 E3/741 -- which is a document entitled "Instructions of 870",
- 25 that was issued by Committee 870 on the 3rd of January 1978,

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- 1 whose described subject was quote: "View, position, and line to
- 2 victoriously attack the Yuon enemy invader and territory
- 3 swallower". This directive consists of instructions relating to
- 4 the Vietnamese military conflict. The measures that are the
- 5 subject of this directive are summarized at the start of section
- 6 3, which can be found at Khmer, 00284278; English, 00296003
- 7 through 04; and French, 00611865. And that section reads as
- 8 follows quote:
- 9 "Measures to effectively attack the Yuon enemy invader to seize
- 10 victory in the forthcoming and in the long term:
- 11 "In order to effectively attack the Yuon enemy invader and
- 12 territorial swallower and their strategies and manoeuvres, and to
- 13 achieve subsequent victory, we must have and grasp the measures
- 14 of the Party as follows:
- 15 [11.52.38]
- 16 "Conduct military attacks against the enemy.
- 17 "Conduct political attacks against the enemy and eliminate their
- 18 espionage and psychological warfare.
- 19 "Always attack the enemy by cutting off their food and economy,
- 20 starving them constantly.
- 21 "Always attack the enemy by constantly cutting the roads for
- 22 transporting their food, ammunitions, and troops." End of quote.
- 23 What then follows is a number of instructions on how to conduct
- 24 guerrilla attacks against the Vietnamese. That section concludes
- 25 as follows, at Khmer, 00284281; English, 00296006; and French,

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- 1 00611867. This part of the directive contains the following
- 2 instruction quote:
- 3 [11.53.53]
- 4 "Request that all levels of Zone, Sector, District, Command
- 5 Committees and military base cadres pay attention to and study
- 6 thoroughly and effectively the attack lines prescribed above;
- 7 stir our cadres and combatants to compete in attacking and
- 8 smashing of the head of the Yuon enemy invader to defend the
- 9 Party and the revolution, Democratic Kampuchea, our people, our
- 10 cooperatives, our rice, our farms, and all of our products."
- 11 In the next section of this circular, which is a section
- 12 discussing attacking the enemy politically, the following
- instructions are provided at Khmer, 00284282; English, 00296007;
- 14 and French, 00611868 -- quote:
- 15 "To sum up in one word, it is imperative to be absolute in
- 16 politics, ideology, and organization to eliminate the pacifist
- 17 agents, espionage activities, and psychological warfare of the
- 18 enemy. The levels of the Party, Zones, Sectors, and the
- 19 battlefield command committees, Party committees, offices, and
- 20 ministries, must raise clear measures and closely cooperate."
- 21 [11.55.31]
- 22 Continuing in the next paragraph below:
- 23 "It is imperative to have firm base cadres present constantly to
- 24 constantly stir up national and class anger among the people
- 25 toward the Yuon enemy invader in order to turn such anger into

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- 1 material anger, to carry out all types of concrete activities to
- 2 strengthen the cooperatives, to build the economy, to increase
- 3 production..." End of quote.
- 4 And like some of the other circulars and directives we have seen,
- 5 this document concludes with specific instructions regarding its
- 6 implementation throughout the country. And I'm reading here from
- 7 the very end of the document, where -- which states as follows -
- 8 quote:
- 9 "Remarks: This directions shall be distributed and studied in the
- 10 Zone, Sector, and District Party Committees, in the cooperative
- 11 committees, in the battlefield committees, divisions, committees,
- 12 regiments, battalions, companies, platoons, squads, combatants,
- 13 and the command committees in each target area for them to absorb
- 14 again and again, to constantly draw experience, and to constantly
- 15 improve implementation according to experience of right and
- 16 wrong.
- 17 [11.57.00]
- 18 "Implement the Party's military line, the line of people's war
- 19 and querrilla war very well: the Yuon invader will definitely
- 20 leave piles of their bones on our soil."
- 21 And the last Party circular that I would like to present is
- 22 document E3/763 -- E3/763 -- which is a document that was issued
- 23 by the CPK Central Committee on the 20th of June 1978, which is
- 24 entitled quote:
- 25 "Guidance of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of

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- 1 Kampuchea on the Party's Policy towards Misled Persons who have
- 2 joined the CIA, served as Yuon Agents or joined the KGB and
- 3 opposed the Party, Revolution, People and Democratic Kampuchea".
- 4 End of quote.
- 5 In this document, the Central Committee modified its policy and
- 6 instructions regarding CIA, "Yuon", and KGB agents, setting forth
- 7 a number of groups of person that were to be considered.
- 8 [11.58.26]
- 9 In the first three groups that you will see in the document, the
- 10 Central Committee modified its punishment for any persons who had
- joined the CIA, KGB, or "Yuon" before 1975 but were no longer
- 12 engaging in traitorous activities. However, in the fourth group
- 13 that is listed, of those who joined from 1975 to 1978, the
- 14 Central Committee stated as follows -- and this is a quote from
- 15 Khmer ERN 00079280; English, 00275218; and French ERN 00623529 --
- 16 which states as follows quote:
- 17 "Any person who is recalcitrant who still continues to carry out
- 18 his/her activity against the CPK, the State Revolutionary
- 19 Authority, the Workers -- Farmers, the socialist collective
- 20 regime, Kampuchean people, and the DK, such person shall be
- 21 punished, because he/she is carrying out traitorous activity
- 22 intentionally, with his/her resolute opposing stance, with
- 23 his/her satisfaction stance in serving the enemies such as the
- 24 CIA, Yuon and KGB. This sort of people has made the clear marks
- 25 of their own boundaries, thus the CPK must eliminate them." End

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- 1 of quote.
- 2 [12.00.10]
- 3 And with respect to these persons who were still carrying out
- 4 opposing activities, the Party divides them into four types,
- 5 which are set out immediately below the quote that I read. And
- 6 with respect to the second, third, and fourth types that are
- 7 listed in this document, the Central Committee stated quote:
- 8 "...the Party has a policy to re-educate and admonish them in order
- 9 for them to be awakened..." End of quote.
- 10 It is noteworthy that type four that is listed is defined as
- 11 follows quote:
- 12 "Those who have just been persuaded by the propaganda and whose
- 13 names have just been recorded in the list as having been joining
- 14 the CIA..."
- 15 Type one in this breakdown, the most serious type of enemy, is
- 16 defined by the Central Committee as quote:
- 17 "Those who carry out the resolute opposing activities, as a
- 18 network, by committing concrete acts successively." End of quote.
- 19 [12.01.35]
- 20 And, once again, this document concludes with express
- 21 instructions regarding the communication and implementation of
- 22 this policy. The end of the document states as follows quote:
- 23 "Instructions for the application [...]:
- 24 "It is requested to all of the regions, sectors, and the military
- 25 units to take this above Guidance to educate and to conduct

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- 1 meetings inside their respective parties, core organizations,
- 2 ministries and offices, in the military units, cooperatives,
- 3 factories, and worksites in order that all the masses of people
- 4 will learn about this policy of the Party. It is requested to
- 5 diffuse and follow up the diffusions of this Guidance diligently,
- 6 by doing and re-doing it again successively in the short training
- 7 courses, in the life style meetings, in the assemblies, in the
- 8 meetings, or during the days off. From now until the end of 1978,
- 9 it is requested to each cooperative, each factory, each worksite,
- 10 each unit, each place to educate and organize meetings for five
- 11 to six times." End of quote.
- 12 [12.02.55]
- 13 Mr. President, I would move to another document at this point, so
- 14 -- and, to let you know, I have a few documents to present. I
- 15 probably will take 15 minutes to half an hour in the afternoon,
- 16 and then turn it over to my colleague for the second subject
- 17 matter.
- 18 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 Since it is now appropriate time for the lunch adjournment, the
- 21 Chamber will adjourn until 1.30 p.m. Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea,
- 22 you may now proceed.
- 23 MR. PAUW:
- 24 Thank you, Mr. President. Our client, Nuon Chea, would like to
- 25 follow this afternoon's proceedings from his holding cell, as he

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- 1 is suffering from back pain, a lack of concentration, and other
- 2 related health issues.
- 3 [12.03.50]
- 4 And I understand that we have already submitted the waiver.
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Thank you, Counsel.
- 7 The Chamber has noted the request of Mr. Nuon Chea through his
- 8 counsel in which he has requested that he be excused from the
- 9 courtroom and that he be allowed to observe the proceedings from
- 10 his holding cell due to his health concern.
- 11 The request is reasoned, and therefore the Chamber grants the
- 12 request by allowing Mr. Nuon Chea to observe the proceedings from
- 13 his holding cell for the remainder of the day.
- 14 Mr. Nuon Chea has already waived his right to participate
- 15 directly in the Courtroom.
- 16 Counsel for Mr. Nuon Chea is instructed to submit the waiver,
- 17 signed or given thumbprint by Mr. Nuon Chea to the Chamber.
- 18 [12.04.55]
- 19 AV booth officers are now instructed to ensure that the AV
- 20 equipment is well connected to the holding cell so that Mr. Nuon
- 21 Chea can observe the proceedings from there for the remainder of
- 22 the day.
- 23 And personnel -- security personnel are now instructed to bring
- 24 Mr. Nuon Chea and Khieu Samphan to their respective holding cell
- and have Mr. Khieu Samphan returned to the courtroom at 1.30.

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- 1 The Court it adjourned.
- 2 THE GREFFIER:
- 3 (No interpretation)
- 4 (Court recesses from 1205H to 1331H)
- 5 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 6 Please be seated. The Court is now back in session.
- 7 I now hand over to the Co Prosecutor to present the documents.
- 8 You may proceed.
- 9 [13.32.11]
- 10 MR. LYSAK:
- 11 Thank you, Mr. President. Good afternoon to everybody.
- 12 When I finished this morning, I had presented -- finished
- 13 presenting a June 1978 document that was issued by the Central
- 14 Committee, revising its policy in relation to CIA, KGB, and
- 15 "Yuon" agents. This revised policy was also communicated in the
- 16 May-June 1978 issue of "Revolutionary Flag", which is document
- 17 E3/727 -- that's E3/727. And the specific pages where the same
- 18 revised Party line are discussed in this "Revolutionary Flag" can
- 19 be found at Khmer ERN 00064561 through 64562; English ERN
- 20 00185328 through 329; and French, 00524455 through 456.
- 21 And I will not repeat the actual revised Party line, but in this
- 22 "Revolutionary Flag", which is a document that is limited to
- 23 Party members, there is additional information in that there is
- 24 an explanation as to why this new line was being put forward, in
- 25 the pages that I just mentioned to you.

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- 1 [13.34.22]
- 2 And let me read that explanation as follows quote:
- 3 "Our Party puts forward this line in order to:
- 4 "1. Gather forces;
- 5 "2. Attack the enemy.
- 6 "In order to be able to attack the enemy, we must gather forces
- 7 so that the masses understand, so that they are a force for
- 8 squeezing out the enemy."
- 9 Continuing on a few paragraphs below quote:
- 10 "We put forward this line in order to gather forces.
- 11 "We do this, second, in order to guiet and calm things down, to
- 12 prevent the enemy from causing a stampede into his trap." End of
- 13 quote.
- 14 At the same time, the Party made clear in this section of the
- 15 "Revolutionary Flag" that for enemies who quote "continue
- 16 their activities further, then their frontier is clear, and the
- 17 Communist Party of Kampuchea must therefore eliminate them." End
- 18 of quote.
- 19 [13.35.51]
- 20 And as you will see from the other sections of this same issue of
- 21 "Revolutionary Flag" that I will now read and present, the
- 22 Party's focus on internal enemies remained very much intact. Near
- 23 the very start of this issue -- at Khmer ERN page 00064556
- 24 through 64557; English, 00185324; French ERN 00524451 -- the
- 25 document states as follows quote:

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1 "...what we saw most strikingly clear during the first semester of

- 2 1978 was the danger posed by enemies concealed from within. In
- 3 attacking us this time, the enemies basically utilized domestic
- 4 forces, namely forces in the countryside, the ministries and
- 5 offices, and the army, whereas external forces were merely
- 6 auxiliary."
- 7 Continuing in the paragraph -- one paragraph further below -
- 8 quote:
- 9 "The measures which we are putting forward are no different from
- 10 previous measures, but we must sharpen our stance and attack and
- 11 eliminate internal enemies every more acutely and continue
- 12 further to take successive resolute measures against both our
- 13 internal and external foes. We must do this because, although the
- 14 internal enemies utilize the monikers of being Communist Party of
- 15 Kampuchea cadres and cadres of the Kampuchea people to overthrow
- 16 the collective regime and the Communist Party of Kampuchea
- 17 people, they are, in their true nature, cadres of the Yuon's
- 18 Kampuchea Labour Party and CIA cadres doing this on behalf of
- 19 this treasonous Labour Party of the Yuon so that the Yuon and the
- 20 CIA may return and bring back a regime of private capitalism."
- 21 [13.38.31]
- 22 In a section of this "Revolutionary Flag" titled "What Are the
- 23 Contradictions Between Our Revolution and the Counter Revolution?
- 24 What Are the Forces Opposing Our Revolution?" -- which you will
- 25 find at, Khmer, 00064566 through 64567; English, 00185332 through

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1 333; and French, ERN 00524459 through 460 -- the Party made the

- 2 following statements quote:
- 3 "Immediately after liberation, the attacks against us began. Who
- 4 was attacking us? It was the CIA, the Yuon, and the KGB. We never
- 5 encountered any ordinary bourgeois or petty-bourgeois elements.
- 6 That is why we would like to stress that if we speak generally
- 7 about capitalism we fear that our analytical viewpoint will be
- 8 unclear and our measures will be scattered and not hit on the
- 9 head the target we must attack. The heads we must attack are CIA,
- 10 Yuon, and KGB. Since 1975, the forces that have attacked us have
- 11 all nothing other than CIA and Yuon. The despicable Chakrei, the
- 12 despicable Chhouk, the despicable Thuch, the despicable Doeun,
- 13 the despicable Pheum, the despicable Si, the despicable Keo Meas,
- 14 and the despicable Chey, were all CIA. The only difference among
- 15 them was that some of these CIAs were more on the American side,
- 16 while others were more on the Yuon side.
- 17 "Document after document demonstrates that they initially were
- 18 together with the despicable Nol to attack the Communists." End
- 19 of quote.
- 20 [13.40.57]
- 21 In the section of this issued titled "The Party's Readjusted
- 22 Orientation for Fulfilling 1978 Duties in the Days to Come", Part
- 23 1 of which is titled "The General Situation and the General
- 24 Orientation of Revolutionary Duties in the Coming Future During
- 25 1978" -- which you can find at, Khmer, 0064576; through 77;

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1 English, 00185341; and French, 00524468 - the - let me repeat the

- 2 Khmer ERN, which is 0064576 through 64577.
- 3 And at this portion of the document, you will find the following
- 4 statement quote:
- 5 "...both the external and domestic enemies have been much more
- 6 severely defeated in this instance than in previous instances
- 7 because: on the one hand, we have attacked and smashed the
- 8 aggressive Yuon enemy coming from the outside, inflicting severe
- 9 defeats on them; on the other hand, we have smashed the
- 10 traitorous leading apparati throughout the country, together with
- 11 their faction; concretely, the traitorous forces in the East,
- 12 Northwest, and West Zones, in Phnom Penh, in the 103, in Kratie,
- 13 and in Sector 25." End of quote.
- 14 And the final charging instructions of the Party leaders on the
- 15 enemy issue can be found in this document, at Khmer pages
- 16 00064578 through 64579; English, 00185342 through 343; and French
- 17 ERN 00524469 through 470. And in this section, the following
- 18 instructions are given quote:
- 19 "Our duty is therefore to attack absolutely, powerfully, and
- 20 successively these CIA, Yuon and KGB agents, to attack them and
- 21 attack them again so that they are liquidated and successively
- 22 liquidated again and again. Only if they are attacked in this
- 23 manner will their veteran forces be completely smashed, along
- 24 with their remnant forces and their new forces. We find ourselves
- 25 in a situation where we are on the offensive, have mastery, and

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- 1 are advancing to trample the enemy and seize successive
- 2 victories, whereas the enemy is being smashed to smithereens,
- 3 scattered to the winds, and liquidated.
- 4 [13.44.50]
- 5 "When we completely smash to smithereens and liquidate the enemy
- 6 successively in this manner, it leads to the situation of our
- 7 revolution in every sphere becoming more and more excellent."
- 8 And in the conclusions that follow below, I will read the last
- 9 instruction, number D, which states as follows quote:
- 10 "We must see as key the duty of attacking the domestic enemy,
- 11 that this is related to every one of all of our other duties.
- 12 Every Party level must therefore adopt the role of leading the
- 13 army and the people to attack all such enemies, sweep them
- 14 cleanly away, sweep, and sweep, and sweep again and again,
- 15 ceaselessly, so that our Party forces are pure, our leading
- 16 forces at every level and in every sphere are clean at all
- 17 times." End of quote.
- 18 Your Honours, the last method by which the Party Centre
- 19 communicated orders or instructions that I will address today is
- 20 telegrams sent from Office 870.
- 21 Document E3/1186 -- that's E3/1186 -- is a report that was sent
- 22 by Sector 22 of the East Zone on the 19th of March 1978,
- 23 describing activities of enemies in Mukh Kampul district. The
- 24 report from Sector 22 requests that the West and Central Zones be
- 25 informed of the situation.

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- 1 [13.46.54]
- 2 And there are three copies of this report within E3/1186, each
- 3 with as different handwritten annotation indicating to whom the
- 4 copy was provided: the first copy, which is Khmer page 00019203,
- 5 has a handwritten note at the top indicating that the report was
- 6 sent to Office 870; in the second copy, which is Khmer 00019204,
- 7 the handwritten note at the top indicates that a copy of the
- 8 report was sent to the West Zone; and in then the third copy,
- 9 which is at Khmer ERN 00019205, there are handwritten cc's at the
- 10 bottom indicating that copies were sent to Brother Vorn, Brother
- 11 Si -- a reference to Chou Chet, the West Zone Secretary -- and
- 12 Brother Pauk -- a reference to Ke Pauk, the Central Zone
- 13 Secretary.
- 14 At document E3/177 -- that's E3/177 -- is the response that was
- 15 sent by Office 870 to this report from Sector 22. It was sent on
- 16 the 20th of March 1978, the day after the Sector 22 report,
- 17 copied to the West and Central Zones Secretaries, and reads as
- 18 follows -- and I will quote here from the text of the telegram --
- 19 quote:
- 20 [13.48.48]
- 21 "Be informed that: the East Zone has sent a copy of report on the
- 22 enemy's activities in Mukh Kampul to the Office by requesting the
- 23 Office to send to you, Brother; Brother, please monitor this
- 24 situation and take any measure based on the reality by
- 25 communicating with Mukh Kampul.

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- 1 "With warmest revolutionary fraternity, dated 20th of March 1978,
- 2 M-870."
- 3 And, Your Honours, it is noteworthy that this telegram from 870
- 4 is Telegram Number 32 confirming that telegrams were regularly
- 5 sent out by the Centre Office.
- 6 Your Honours, there are many more important issues of
- 7 "Revolutionary Flag" that are before this Chamber that time does
- 8 not permit us to discuss today. I do, however, wish to draw the
- 9 attention of the Chamber to two colour copies that were fairly
- 10 recently obtained by the Chamber since the start of trial, I
- 11 believe either from Professor Kiernan or from Professor Heder, in
- 12 response to an inquiry that was made.
- 13 [13.50.17]
- 14 Document E169/4/1.1.1 -- let me read that again, E169/4/1.1.1 --
- is a colour copy of the July 1975 "Revolutionary Youth"
- 16 publication that was obtained by the Trial Chamber. A previous
- 17 version of this issue had been put before the Chamber by our
- 18 office as E3/724. The Chamber may recall that that document was
- 19 an English summary of the "Revolutionary Flag" that had been
- 20 prepared by either Professor Kiernan or Professor Heder based on
- 21 the document which was subsequently -- the original
- 22 "Revolutionary Youth", which was subsequently obtained by the
- 23 Chamber.
- 24 Similarly, E169/4/1.1.2 is a colour copy of the December 1975 to
- 25 January 1976 "Revolutionary Flag" publication, and, again, a

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- 1 previous version of this issue had been put before the Chamber by
- 2 us as E3/731.
- 3 If it has not already been done, the new colour copies of these
- 4 issues of "Revolutionary Flag" and "Revolutionary Youth" should
- 5 be put before the Chamber and given E3 numbers, or,
- 6 alternatively, they could be included as part of the E3 numbers
- 7 of the previous versions that were submitted by -- in our --
- 8 submitted by the Co-Prosecutors.
- 9 [13.52.15]
- 10 I would like to just take a moment, though, to show, first of
- 11 all, the cover page of the July 1975 "Revolutionary Youth" -- to
- 12 show that on the screen. It is worthwhile to take a look at these
- 13 colour photocopies of the original "Revolutionary Flag" and
- 14 "Youth" booklets. You can see the bright, blood-red colour that
- 15 was used for the flags on the cover page. You can even see the
- 16 staples from the original booklets in this photograph, something
- 17 that will be of use, I hope, to my colleagues across the aisle on
- 18 the Nuon Chea team.
- 19 And I will end today by reading an excerpt a short excerpt that
- 20 I found in this July 1975 "Revolutionary Youth". This is one of
- 21 the earliest publications of "Revolutionary Youth" or
- 22 "Revolutionary Flag" that we have following April 1975. And
- 23 that's Khmer page 00809798 through 809799 of this July 1975 issue
- of "Revolutionary Youth"; English, 00815132 through 815133; and
- 25 French, 00815911 through 912.

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- 1 [13.54.20]
- 2 There is a discussion of events after the liberation of Phnom
- 3 Penh, which I will read a couple of excerpts for you quote:
- 4 "Shortly after Phnom Penh city and the whole country had been
- 5 liberated, our revolutionary male-female youths and cadres took
- 6 control of the city. So, we moved to live in the
- 7 feudalist-capitalist environment in which plenty and variety of
- 8 modern materials, which we had never had and known in the past,
- 9 were available."
- 10 Continuing down later in the following paragraph quote:
- 11 "Some [...] cadres were attracted by materials, so they went out
- 12 around collecting radios, watches, pens, and cameras [...], but
- 13 they left the important booties which were the strategic things
- 14 such as artillery, small arms, handguns, rifles, and ammunition,
- 15 and many important machinery haphazardly left all over the place.
- 16 No one cared to look at and collect them to keep in a proper
- 17 place.
- 18 [13.55.35]
- 19 "As for some female combatants, they even put on the enemy
- 20 dresses, sprayed perfume, applied powder and lipstick, and posed
- 21 in front of the mirror inside the room. They completely forgot
- 22 about the revolutionary vigilance view and stance; they
- 23 completely forgot about the Party's task given to them to defend
- 24 and clean up the city, meaning to clean up the mud and sewage,
- 25 the garbage, as well as the bad influence and the ideology of the

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- 1 enemy. In a situation when they became overjoyed and flashy in
- 2 mass, losing control, and forgetting about the revolutionary
- 3 stance, if the Party had taken no measures to evacuate all the
- 4 people out of Phnom Penh and other provincial towns, the enemy
- 5 might have attacked and pounced on us from behind and smashed our
- 6 revolutionary forces to pieces; or, at least, the enemy would
- 7 have been able to burrow inside our revolutionary stance, cause
- 8 chaos in the revolutionary ranks, break up the Party's discipline
- 9 and solidarity, making the revolutionary stance fade away. And
- 10 then, the enemy could have smashed us in any day to dissolve our
- 11 historic great victory of 17 April." End of quote.
- 12 Thank you, Your Honours, for the time to present these documents.
- 13 And I would like to turn it over to my colleague, who will
- 14 address documents related to the government structure and
- 15 ministries.
- 16 [13.57.27]
- 17 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 18 Thank you.
- 19 International Co-Prosecutor, you may now proceed.
- 20 MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
- 21 Good afternoon, Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen, Your
- 22 Honours. Good afternoon to all parties and to the people in the
- 23 public gallery.
- 24 So, now, I'm going to turn to another topic, which is the topic
- 25 of the government and the different ministries that composed this

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- 1 government. We're going to speak about how these ministries were
- 2 organized, how they operated, and about their communication.
- 3 [13.58.07]
- 4 Before we turn to specific documents regarding several
- 5 ministries, I would like, first of all, to present documents that
- 6 relate to the government in its globality: first of all, the
- 7 GRUNK government; and then the Government of Democratic
- 8 Kampuchea.
- 9 So, in order to understand well how the government developed from
- 10 the GRUNK and then to the Government of Democratic Kampuchea
- 11 between 17 April 1975 and 7 January 1979, I would like first, in
- 12 the first five to 10 minutes, return -- to return briefly to
- 13 three documents that describe the situation of the government
- 14 during the period that preceded immediately 17 April 1975, and
- 15 this so you may understand well the succession of events.
- 16 The first document is document E3/28, which is dated 19 January
- 17 1973 and which is called "The Seat of Cambodia in the United
- 18 Nations". And I will only quote one single passage which is at
- 19 the end of the document, in an annex which describes the
- 20 composition of the GRUNK at the time -- and I quote -- [free
- 21 translation]:
- 22 "The Royal Government of National Unity of Cambodia, GRUNK, under
- 23 the aegis of the FUNK, was made up -- was constituted on 5 May
- 24 1970. It is the only legitimate and legal government of Cambodia.
- 25 Its current composition is the following..." End of quote.

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- 1 [14.00.03]
- 2 So this is how it was composed on 19 January 1973. And I will
- 3 only mention a few names to be brief, and -- Mr. Penn Nouth,
- 4 first, Prime Minister; Mr. Khieu Samphan, Deputy Prime Minister
- 5 and Ministry of National Defence; Mr. Sarin Chhak, Ministry of
- 6 Foreign Affairs; Mr. Hu Nim, Minister of Information and of
- 7 Propaganda.
- 8 And you will see, in the list of names in this document, that
- 9 other figures are part of this government, such as: Chan Yourann;
- 10 General Duong Sam Ol; Huot Sambath; Chea San; Thiounn Prasith;
- 11 Keat Chhon; Van Piny; Tiv Ol; but also Ieng Thirith, who is the
- 12 Deputy Minister of Popular Education and of Youth; Chou Chet,
- 13 Deputy Minister of Public Health, of Religious and Social
- 14 affairs; and Koy Thuon, Deputy Minister of Economy and Finance.
- 15 [14.01.13]
- 16 The following document is E3/1399 -- let me repeat, E3/1399 --
- 17 and it is dated 27 January 1975, and it is titled "Cabinet of the
- 18 GRUNK -- Declaration by Sihanouk Dated the 5th of October 1974".
- 19 This document includes a number of communiqués of the GRUNK which
- 20 were published in an FBIS publication, and we learn that in
- 21 relation to January 1973, some of the people concerned were -
- 22 were vice-minister or ministers, including Chou Chet, Ieng
- 23 Thirith. And Koy Thuon, in the meantime, had become Minister of
- 24 National Economy and Finance, whereas he was previously
- 25 vice-minister.

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- 1 The third document prior to 17 April 1975 is an FBIS document
- 2 dated 16 January 1975. In our table and in our annexes, it's
- 3 E9/31. And this is a new document. Let me give the Khmer ERN:
- 4 00811259 up to 00811265. And in English the ERN is 00166706 up to
- 5 08. There is no French translation available.
- 6 There are only two excerpts that I would like to read out.
- 7 The first article in this FBIS document is titled in English,
- 8 since there is no French version -- this title is "Sihanouk's
- 9 15th of November 1974 Decree Relieving GRUNK Ministers". And in
- 10 the English it is 00166706; and in Khmer it is 008811259 (sic) to
- 11 61.
- 12 [14.04.12]
- 13 Let me quote what is stated therein -- and this time around it
- 14 will be in English. I crave your indulgence from moving from one
- 15 language to the other. Let me quote:
- 16 "Decree No. 100.
- 17 "Article 1. Are relieved at their request of their ministerial
- 18 functions: Ngo Hou; Huot Sambath; Chea San; Chan Yourann; Thiounn
- 19 Mum; Duong Sam Ol; Chau Seng; Keat Chhon; and Thiounn Prasith."
- 20 End of quote.
- 21 A second article in the same document is titled "Sihanouk Names
- 22 New GRUNK Ministers". I will quote this article in English as
- 23 well, and it is on page 00166707, and in Khmer it is 008811263
- 24 (sic).
- 25 So let me quote in English, then:

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- 1 [14.05.31]
- 2 [In English] "Decree No. 101.
- 3 "Article 1. [...] as of the day of the effective accession to their
- 4 posts, are appointed: Minister of Justice and Judicial Reforms,
- 5 His Highness Norodom Phurissara; Minister of Public Health,
- 6 Thiounn Thioeunn; Minister of Public Works, Telecommunications,
- 7 and Reconstruction, Touch Phoeun; Minister of Religious and
- 8 Social Affairs, Chou Chet; Minister of Popular Education and
- 9 Youth, Ieng Thirith; and Minister of National Economy and
- 10 Finances, Koy Thuon." [End of intervention in English] End of
- 11 quote.
- 12 Let me now talk about the official composition of the GRUNK
- 13 government after the victory of 17th of April 1975. I'll also
- 14 talk about some appointments made in the CPK at the same time.
- 15 Regarding the decree of the 15th of November 1974, the official
- 16 composition of the GRUNK is said to have been modified after the
- 17 17th of April 1975. However, there is a document which has the
- 18 following ERN number, E3/1256, dated the 14th of August 1975. Let
- 19 me point out that it is a communiqué of the GRUNK Mission in
- 20 France. This is what we find on the Khmer page, ERN S00630985;
- 21 and in French, it is on page 2, ERN S00004604 (sic); in English,
- 22 00280610.
- 23 [14.07.58]
- 24 Let me quote:
- 25 "Press Release.

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- 1 "The GRUNK Mission in France is authorized to provide the
- 2 following details concerning new appointments within the Royal
- 3 Government of National Union of Cambodia, which were made on 12th
- 4 of August."
- 5 So it's 12 August 1975.
- 6 "Mr. Ieng Sary was appointed Deputy Prime Minister in charge of
- 7 Foreign Affairs under the Presidency of the Council of Ministers.
- 8 "Mr. Son Sen was appointed Deputy Prime Minister in charge of
- 9 National Defence under the Presidency of the Council of
- 10 Ministers."
- 11 And further down: "All the other GRUNK Ministers shall maintain
- 12 their duties."
- 13 [14.08.51]
- 14 I would now like us to look at another document dated 1975. It is
- 15 the Standing Committee of 9 October 1975, document E3/182. This
- 16 document was quoted this morning by my learned colleague, but I
- 17 will simply quote another section of the same document, and it's
- 18 the same the same minutes of the Standing Committee.
- 19 All the documents I have quoted are GRUNK documents, but this one
- 20 is a document of the Communist Party of Kampuchea.
- 21 Point Number 1, under the title "The Delegation of Work and
- 22 Operational Process", we see the duties and responsibilities
- 23 under Democratic Kampuchea. In Khmer, this document is ERN
- 24 00019108; and in English it's 00183393 up to 94; and in French it
- 25 is 00292868 to 69.

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- 1 Let me quote:
- 2 "1. Comrade Secretary: General responsibility over the military
- 3 and the economy.
- 4 "2. Comrade Deputy Secretary: Party Affairs, Social Action,
- 5 Culture, Propaganda, and Education.
- 6 "3. Comrade Van: Foreign Affair work, both Party and State.
- 7 [14.10.51]
- 8 "4. Comrade Hem: Responsible for the Front and the Royal
- 9 Government, and Commerce for accounting and pricing.
- 10 "5. Comrade Thuch" let me spell it, T-h-u-c-h "Domestic and
- 11 International Commerce.
- 12 "6. Comrade Khieu: Responsible for General Staff and Security.
- 13 "7. Comrade Vorn: Industry, Railroads, and Fisheries.
- 14 "8. Comrade Doeun: Chairman of Political Affairs, Bureau --
- 15 Office 870.
- 16 "9. Comrade Phea: Responsible for Culture, Social Action, and
- 17 Foreign Affairs.
- 18 "10. Comrade At: Propaganda and Re-education, both internal and
- 19 external.
- 20 "11. Comrade Chey" spelled C-h-e-y "Agriculture.
- 21 "12. Comrade Yem: Office 870.
- 22 "And, lastly, Comrade Pang: Government Office."
- 23 [14.12.10]
- 24 As we saw previously, only five of these leaders on the lists
- 25 within the CPK occupied ministerial portfolios within the GRUNK.

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- 1 They were, namely: Van -- that is Ieng Sary; Hem -- Khieu
- 2 Samphan; Khieu -- Son Sen. All three were vice-prime ministers of
- 3 the GRUNK.
- 4 In addition to that, we had Thuch, T-h-u-c-h -- that is Koy Thuon
- 5 -- who was Minister of Economy and Finance; and Phea Ieng
- 6 Thirith -- Minister of Popular Education and Youth.
- 7 Now, let us look at the next document. The Resignation of
- 8 Sihanouk and the Organization of Elections of the 20th of March
- 9 1976 occasioned complete change in the composition of the
- 10 government, and we see the emergence of leaders of the CKP
- 11 becoming government officials alone.
- 12 I will quote another document, and it is E3/197, and it is
- 13 minutes of the Standing Committee of the Front of the 11th of
- 14 March 1976. And you will recall that this record talks of the
- 15 position of the Party vis-à-vis Sihanouk and the general
- 16 feudalism.
- 17 [14.11.58]
- 18 This meeting was attended by the Secretary, the Deputy Secretary
- 19 of the Party, Comrade Vorn, Khieu, Hem, Doeun, Tum -- T-u-m --
- 20 and Touch -- T-o-u-c-h.
- 21 I would simply like to read an excerpt of this document. And it
- 22 is in 00000545 (sic); in English it's 00182639; and in French it
- 23 is pages 1 and 2, ERN 00334961 to 62. And in this document
- 24 mention is being made of the positive effects of Sihanouk's
- 25 resignation on behalf of the revolution. And let me quote:

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- 1 "2(A) Good factors for our revolution: For one thing, the entire
- 2 Kampuchean people have sighed for their last time. All our
- 3 cadres, all the Army are the same. The people of the world have
- 4 no problem either."
- 5 [14.15.23]
- 6 Third point under 2(A): "Third, our foreign affairs work will be
- 7 better than before since we do it ourselves because there is no
- 8 Sihanouk. We are clear-cut."
- 9 Further down in the same document -- in Khmer it is on page
- 10 00000547 to 548 (sic), and in English it is 00182640 to 41, and
- 11 in French it is on page 3, ERN 00334963 -- under title III,
- 12 "Opinions of Angkar, Meeting of the Evening of the 13th" --
- 13 obviously, the 13th of March, this is what is stated therein --
- 14 and I quote: "The Super Comrade Secretary has pointed that this
- 15 problem -- that is, the resignation of Sihanouk is primordial,
- 16 allow Angkar of the Central Committee to decide."
- 17 And then they propose a number of initiatives which have already
- 18 been referred to this morning. But there's one initiative that
- 19 was not mentioned this morning and it is initiative number 2 --
- 20 and I quote:
- 21 "We must convene the Cabinet of Ministers. Report to the Cabinet
- 22 of Ministers to decide, then go meet with Sihanouk again, with
- 23 Penn Nouth participating. If he accepted to be recorded, it would
- 24 be better."
- 25 In this document we can see that the will of the Standing

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- 1 Committee was first of all that the Central Committee of the CPK
- 2 should take a decision regarding the resignation of Sihanouk and,
- 3 secondly, that the Council of Ministers of the GRUNK and its
- 4 Prime Minister Penn Nouth would endorse Sihanouk's resignation.
- 5 [14.17.29]
- 6 And this is what we are going to see shortly when we talk about
- 7 document E3/12, which is the "Decision of the Central Committee
- 8 on a Number of Problems", and it is dated the 30th of March 1976.
- 9 We talked about it this morning, but I will quote another passage
- 10 in the same decision. This passage confirms the decision of the
- 11 Standing Committee regarding Sihanouk's resignation and the
- 12 side-lining of Penn Nouth.
- 13 The first pertinent passage is in the Khmer page 00003140 up to
- 14 41, and in English it is 00182813, and in French it is 00224366,
- 15 under point 12 of the document, titled "Organization of State
- 16 Organs" and let me quote this decision of the Central
- 17 Committee:
- 18 "In reality, our state organs are different from those that
- 19 existed before. Previously it was a front. Now it is not the
- 20 case. They are now state organizations in their entirety. All
- 21 these state organizations should be truly representative and
- 22 should be influential enough, both within the Party and in the
- 23 country as well as abroad. This is a political offensive as well.
- 24 "Penn Nouth has no problems with that.
- 25 "Sihanouk's situation is mature already. He is out of wind,

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- 1 cannot move further. Therefore, we have decided to have him
- 2 retire in accordance with his request." End of quote.
- 3 [14.19.42]
- 4 This is a document of the Central Committee. And you would have
- 5 noted that here we are no longer talking of the resignation of
- 6 Sihanouk before the Standing Committee, but his "retirement".
- 7 Second relevant document -- same document, E3/12, still under
- 8 point number 12 -- in Khmer it is on ERN 00003141 to 42, and in
- 9 English it is 00182814--
- 10 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 11 Could you please repeat the ERN numbers again and this time be
- 12 slower?
- 13 MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
- 14 Absolutely. Mr. President, I crave your indulgence. In Khmer this
- 15 passage is in the following ERN, 00003141 to 42; and in English
- 16 it is 00182814; and in French it is on pages 4 and 5, at 00224366
- 17 to 67.
- 18 In this passage, after setting out the composition of the
- 19 Standing Committee of the National Assembly chaired by Nuon Chea
- 20 and also the State Presidium chaired by Comrade Hem -- that is
- 21 Khieu Samphan -- the document reads as follows -- and I quote:
- 22 [14.21.42]
- 23 "The Government:
- 24 "Must be totally an organization of the Party, it must represent
- 25 our state. It must be strong. It must be influential in the

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- 1 Party, in the country, and outside the country, with friendly
- 2 countries and with enemies.
- 3 "The matter of setting up the government has been discussed again
- 4 and again since May, time after time.
- 5 "Comrade Pol: Prime First Minister rather, Prime Minister.
- 6 "Comrade Van: Deputy Prime Minister for Foreign Affairs.
- 7 "Comrade Vorn: Deputy Prime Minister for Economy and Finance.
- 8 "Comrade Khieu: Deputy Prime Minister for National Defence."
- 9 And further down:
- 10 "Measures for resolution:
- 11 "1. The work of the government: All -- it must be under all three
- 12 Prime Ministers. The Deputy Prime Ministers must be strong;
- 13 strong individually, strong in the machinery of their work."
- 14 [14.23.03]
- 15 Now, after considering the issue of the request for Sihanouk's
- 16 resignation and the complete reshuffle of the government, after
- 17 the meeting of the Standing Committee of the 11th of March 1976
- 18 and the Central Committee meeting on the 30th of March 1976, it
- 19 was the turn of the Council of Ministers of the GRUNK to meet on
- 20 the 4th of April 1976, as announced by the Standing Committee
- 21 previously.
- 22 And it is document E3/1/7.1 (sic) and it is titled "Declaration
- 23 of the Government of Democratic Kampuchea Regarding the
- 24 Declaration of Samdech Norodom Sihanouk Requesting His
- 25 Retirement". And in Khmer it is 00806211, and I believe that in

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- 1 all the languages it is on the first page because it is a
- 2 one-page document.
- 3 This is what is stated therein by the GRUNK Government -- the
- 4 name has changed, but the composition hasn't changed. Let me
- 5 quote:
- 6 "After reading Head of State Samdech Norodom Sihanouk's statement
- 7 dated the 1st of April 1976, requesting his retirement, the
- 8 Council of Ministers met on the 4th of April 1976, with Samdech
- 9 Prime Minister Penn Nouth presiding, to discuss the matter
- 10 further." End of quote.
- 11 [14.24.51]
- 12 And this is how the declaration proceeds further down, after
- 13 outlining the services of Sihanouk:
- 14 "The Council of Ministers has decided to grant this request, and
- 15 at the same time the Council of Ministers has decided to propose
- 16 to the Assembly and the representatives of the people the
- 17 following:
- 18 "To grant Norodom Sihanouk the title of leading patriotic
- 19 figure..." And so on and so forth.
- 20 So, as you can see, there has been a progressive movement from
- 21 the decision of the Standing Committee regarding the resignation
- 22 of Sihanouk to a decision of the Central Committee, and, this
- 23 time around, a declaration by the Government of Democratic
- 24 Kampuchea. And the logical conclusion is that the Kampuchea
- 25 People's Representative Assembly has to consider the problem.

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- 1 And it does this in document E3/165. And this document is on the
- 2 First Congress of the Kampuchea People's Representative Assembly,
- 3 dated 11th of or, rather, 11th to 14th of April 1976.
- 4 There is a second document which is an almost identical -- E3/161
- 5 (sic) -- of the 14th of November (sic) 1976. It repeats the press
- 6 release -- the contents of the press release signed by Nuon Chea.
- 7 In the wake of decision -- of the Central Committee decision of
- 8 the 30th of March 1976 as well as the government's declaration,
- 9 this document of the 14th of April 1976 confirms the appointment
- 10 of Nuon Chea as president of the People's Democratic of the
- 11 Kampuchea People's Representative Assembly.
- 12 [14.27.13]
- 13 Furthermore, the assembly endorses in its entirety Norodom
- 14 Sihanouk's request to be retired, according to the proposals made
- 15 in the 4th April 1976 government communiqué which I read a while
- 16 ago. In the same document, the assembly appoints Khieu Samphan as
- 17 Chairman of the State Presidium of Democratic Kampuchea.
- 18 The document mentions, under Point 4, the "Draft Resolutions",
- 19 the consideration and the approval of the resignation of the
- 20 former government. And in Khmer it is on page 00053634, and in
- 21 English it is 00184067 to 68, and in French it is on page 21, ERN
- 22 00301354. And this is what is stated therein -- that is, in the
- 23 passage -- and I quote: "The Assembly has noted that: The
- 24 Government of Democratic Kampuchea, which was called previously
- 25 the GRUNK was created on the 5th of May 1978 (sic)..."

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- 1 And I will skip a short passage. So, this Government of
- 2 Democratic Kampuchea, which was previously the GRUNK, was created
- 3 on the 5th of May 1978 (sic), "has completed its mission
- 4 completely with many advantages and requested his resignation on
- 5 6 April 1976. The Assembly has approved in its entirety the
- 6 resignation of the former government".
- 7 [14.29.08]
- 8 When we talk of the resignation of the former government, we are
- 9 talking of the appointment of a new government, and it is what we
- 10 see in the same document, under point number 6. So, we're still
- 11 talking of document E3/165 on that point number 6 titled "The
- 12 Appointment of a New Government of Democratic Kampuchea", on page
- 13 00053635 -- that is in Khmer -- and in French it is page 22, ERN
- 14 00301355; and in English, 00184068 to 69.
- 15 So I'm going to quote this passage relating to the new
- 16 government:
- 17 "Following careful discussion -- and detailed discussion of
- 18 their various qualities in every aspect, the Assembly approves
- 19 the selection and appointment of the New Government of Democratic
- 20 Kampuchea with the following composition:
- 21 "Comrade Pol Pot, Prime Minister.
- 22 "2. Comrade Ieng Sary, Deputy Prime Minister, responsible for
- 23 Foreign Affairs.
- 24 "3. Comrade Vorn Vet, Deputy Prime Minister, responsible for
- 25 Economics.

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- 1 "4. Comrade Son Sen, Deputy Prime Minister, responsible for
- 2 National Defence.
- 3 "5. Comrade Hu Nim, Minister, responsible for Information and
- 4 Propaganda.
- 5 "6. Comrade Thiounn Thioeunn, ministry -- Minister of Public
- 6 Health.
- 7 "7. Ieng Thirith, Ministry of Social Action.
- 8 "8. Touch Phoeun, Ministry of Public Works.
- 9 "And, finally, Yun Yat, Ministry of Culture, Training, and
- 10 Education.
- 11 [14.31.15]
- 12 "In the context of the in the framework of the government" -- I
- 13 continue with the quote "the committees assigned of the office
- 14 of the Deputy Prime Minister for Economics are:
- 15 "1. Committee for Agriculture.
- 16 "2. Committee for Industry.
- 17 "3. Committee for Commerce.
- 18 "4. Committee for Communications.
- 19 "5. Committee for Energy.
- 20 "6. Committee for Rubber Plantations.
- 21 "The President of each committee is equivalent to Minister in the
- 22 Government of Democratic Kampuchea."
- 23 So, you will have noticed that the document from the People's
- 24 Assembly did not designate a secretary and a president with the
- 25 rank of minister, and we will see right away why.

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- 1 Second of all, you also noticed that Penn Nouth is no longer
- 2 prime minister and he has been officially replaced by Pol Pot.
- 3 And we also notice the absence of Koy Thuon among the list of
- 4 ministers.
- 5 [14.32.32]
- 6 And we understand why the People's Assembly was not able to
- 7 nominate the secretaries of the committees that I just mentioned
- 8 when we read the following document, which is E3/235 and which
- 9 also is indexed as E3/236. This document is called "Summary of
- 10 the Decision of the Standing Committee of the Meeting of 19, 20,
- 11 and 21 April 1976", and at the beginning the document states the
- 12 following. The Khmer page 00019142 to 43; English, 00183416 to
- 13 17; and French ERN 00322968 to 69 -- and I will quote:
- 14 "After three days of discussion of matters recorded in the
- 15 agenda, the Standing Committee has made the following decisions:
- 16 "1. Preparations to organize various committees surrounding
- 17 Office 870."
- 18 And here the document mentions 11 committees, not six committees,
- 19 and I'm only going to mention a few of these. And we can see it
- 20 displayed in Khmer on the screen.
- 21 First committee, "Commerce Committee", with Comrade Rith as
- 22 member, as well as Comrade Nhem and Comrade Chhoeun -- and we
- 23 will provide details on these names later. And I'm also going to
- 24 mention other committees, for example: Land Transport Committee
- 25 under Ham's direction; and Maritime Transport led by Man; the

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- 1 Phnom Penh storage houses, with Roeung as Secretary; the Ports
- 2 Committee led by Krin; and the Agricultural Committee led by
- 3 Chey. And there are other committees.
- 4 [14.35.01]
- 5 And the second excerpt of this document, E3/235 -- in Khmer it's
- on page 00019146 to 47; in English, 00183420; and French,
- 7 00322971. And here at point IV in Roman numerals, commerce and
- 8 industry issues are mentioned. And in the first paragraph, it is
- 9 -- the Korean Delegation is mentioned, and this is what this
- 10 document states: "Organize a committee to go negotiate with the
- 11 others: Super Comrade Vorn, Comrade Orn" -- O-r-n in French -
- 12 "Comrade Chey" -- C-h-e-y "and Super Comrade Chhoeun" --
- 13 C-h-h-o-e-u-n.
- 14 And the second point, regarding technical advice: "Super Comrade
- 15 Van" -- and we can suppose that this is Ieng Sary "Super
- 16 Comrade Hem" -- Khieu Samphan "and Super Comrade Touch" --
- $17 \quad T-o-u-c-h$.
- 18 [14.36.50]
- 19 So, before I turn to the meetings that were held monthly at the
- 20 Council of Ministers, before the break, I would like to mention a
- 21 last document. This is a simplification document from the
- 22 Ministry of Education of Democratic Kampuchea that is dated from
- 23 1977. This document is indexed D366/7.1.63 -- and I will repeat:
- 24 D366/7.1.63. There is no E3 number for the moment so this
- 25 document is entitled "Political Geography of Democratic

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- 1 Kampuchea". And this document explains, through what is titled as
- 2 "Lesson 2", what the state institutions are, and in particular
- 3 point 4, which is titled "Governments" -- and I quote [free
- 4 translation]: "The government is the executive organ of the laws
- 5 and of the political lines defined by the People's Assembly of
- 6 Democratic Kampuchea before which it is entirely responsible for
- 7 all of its acts." End of quote.
- 8 [14.38.18]
- 9 This responsibility that the government says that it takes on
- 10 fully as of April 1976 is also mentioned during the first Council
- 11 of Ministries of Democratic Kampuchea, which I will present after
- 12 the break, with your leave.
- 13 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 It is now appropriate moment for the adjournment. The Chamber
- 16 will adjourn until 3 o'clock.
- 17 THE GREFFIER:
- 18 (No interpretation)
- 19 (Court recesses from 1439H to 1501H)
- 20 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 21 Please be seated. The Court is now back in session.
- 22 And we would like to hand the floor over to the Co-Prosecutor to
- 23 continue putting the documents.
- 24 MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
- 25 Thank you very much, Mr. President.

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- 1 [15.02.11]
- 2 Before the break, we were talking about the fact that the
- 3 government at the time, in 1976, had said that it had assumed as
- 4 from the time when the nature of the regime changed -- that is,
- 5 in April of 1976 -- the regime had stated that it assumed its
- 6 responsibilities fully and in their entirety regarding all the
- 7 activities involved. We see that in document E3/817 and E3/1.8
- 8 (sic) -- that is two documents dealing with the same thing. We
- 9 see that they are talking about the activities of the document
- 10 (sic). We have two reports on the activities of the ministers,
- and I will quote only one of those documents.
- 12 It is titled "First Meeting of the Council of Ministers,
- 13 Presentation by Comrade Party Secretary on the 22nd of April
- 14 1976". The extract deals specifically with the nature and
- 15 definition of the Government of Democratic Kampuchea, and we find
- 16 this extract on page 1 in Khmer -- that is 00072753; and in
- 17 English it is on page 2, ERN 00143461; and in French it is on
- 18 page 1, ERN 00548894. And this is what the First Secretary Pol
- 19 Pot states -- and I quote:
- 20 "Our government is not a coalition as in the past. The errors,
- 21 and successes, and the good things, and the bad things, the gains
- 22 and the losses; both within the country and abroad, with regard
- 23 to friends and enemies, we assume total responsibility thereof;
- 24 there is no one else apart from ourselves."
- 25 [15.04.40]

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- 1 And further down:
- 2 "In this regard, the members of government and members of the
- 3 committees in all the areas must master the nature of our
- 4 government and our role and they must strive to fulfil their
- 5 tasks well, following the Party line." End of quote.
- 6 I'll read a second extract of the same document, E3/817, and the
- 7 Khmer ERN is 00072761, and in English it is 00143467, and in
- 8 French it is on pages 6 and 7, ERN 00548899 up to 8900.
- 9 Under title III, "The Tasks of the Government of Democratic
- 10 Kampuchea", Pol Pot talks of four principal tasks: Implement the
- 11 Constitution, defend the country, construct the country, and
- 12 assemble friendly forces worldwide. And let me quote what he
- 13 states regarding the defence of the country, point B -- and I
- 14 quote:
- 15 "It is imperative to defend revolutionary power and the
- 16 achievements of the revolution. We must defend the Party, we must
- 17 defend the people, the army -- the revolutionary army, we must
- 18 defend the independence, the sovereignty, etc., [against] every
- 19 form of enemy activity, both overt and covert. We must always be
- 20 in high revolutionary vigilance, always be in mastery." End of
- 21 quote.
- 22 [15.06.55]
- 23 We'll talk about the application of the policies of the Party by
- 24 the various ministers as far as the enemy is concerned.
- 25 This brings me to document -- a document that I will present

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- 1 regarding the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 2 The first document has already been dealt with during the
- 3 proceedings, but it is so vast, and now we propose to look at
- 4 some aspects. It's document E3/522 and it is referenced E3/926,
- 5 and it is the notebook of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which
- 6 apparently only concerned the year 1976.
- 7 Let me point out, with regard to this document, that there is a
- 8 good version and a bad version of the document in the Khmer. The
- 9 good version has the ERN number 00427814 up to 00427964. And
- 10 unfortunately -- as I've already pointed out, I believe, earlier
- 11 -- the French version was translated from the bad Khmer version,
- 12 and there are two missing pages, and the pages are in an inverted
- 13 order.
- 14 [15.08.49]
- 15 Now, this document, which is very important with regard to the
- 16 substance and the volume, has to do with internal communication
- 17 in B-1 -- the structure of B-1 -- that is, the Ministry of
- 18 Foreign Affairs -- the role of the Minister of Foreign Affairs,
- 19 the ideology of the CPK as disseminated within the ministry. This
- 20 document contains several parts which have to do with various
- 21 meetings held at B-1. It also talks of a cellule assembly dated
- 22 the 2nd of May -- the 22nd of May 1976, an assembly of the
- 23 Ministry of B-1 of the 10th of July 1976, a ministerial plan
- 24 designed in 1976 for one year -- 1976 to 1977. An entire section
- 25 of the document has to do with meetings of self-criticism -- that

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- 1 is, self-criticism and criticism -- presided by Brother Van. Then
- 2 we also have the minutes of another meeting dated December 1976.
- 3 [15.10.05]
- 4 Now, what do we find in this document regarding the structure of
- 5 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs? The document provides some
- 6 details regarding the sectors and departments in the ministry and
- 7 the Khmer reference is 00827849 (sic). And the specificity of
- 8 this Khmer version is that when you open the agenda of the
- 9 meeting, you find at the top of each page the dates, the 14th and
- 10 the 15th of March. And the ERN in English is 00003267, and in
- 11 French it is 00657989. Here we find the various departments of
- 12 B-1: "1" -- and I quote:
- 13 "Propaganda and education unit
- 14 "2. Office
- 15 "3. The sector on general production
- 16 "4. Political sector
- 17 "5. Protocol office
- 18 "6. Secretariat and Administration" -- in English it's translated
- 19 as Secretariat and Assembly and
- 20 "7. Civil aviation."
- 21 [15.11.41]
- 22 There is another passage under the title "Meeting of the 15th of
- 23 December 1976", and in it we find statistics regarding staff of
- 24 the ministry in 1976 as well as a classification of people who
- 25 worked there in various categories. And the Khmer page is

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- $1 \quad 00427928 -- 00427928 --$ and in English it is 00003321, and in
- 2 French it is 00657891. And it reads as follows -- and I quote:
- 3 "Number of people in Takhmau": 12 people for "Male Youth", 9
- 4 elderly, 4 female youth--
- 5 And on the same page below:
- 6 "The front members want to undergo training in political
- 7 affairs."
- 8 We have 640 people in Ministry B (sic), and 54 people are
- 9 children; in the market, 98 people; in the area of farming, 18
- 10 persons; in Siem Reap, 25 persons; Kampot, 20 persons; Kampong
- 11 Som, 36 persons; B-1, 180 people; M-1, 118 people including 8
- 12 children; and mention is also made of other houses and experts in
- 13 the Korean and Chinese embassies.
- 14 The last point regarding the structure of B-1, as we learn from
- 15 this document -- this is something important because as of
- 16 December 1976 -- and we find this on the Khmer page 00427949, and
- 17 in English it is 00003336 up to 3337. There is no French
- 18 translation. And the ERN in Khmer is 00427949, and in English
- 19 it's 00003336 up to 3337. There is no existing French
- 20 translation.
- 21 [15.14.42]
- 22 This passage has to do with the structure of B-1, and I will
- 23 quote this passage in English because there is no French version
- 24 of it [in English] so I quote:
- 25 "Assignment issues

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- 1 "Number VI. The cell committee of the Ministry
- 2 "1. Brother Van, Secretary;
- 3 "2. Comrade Hong, Deputy Secretary;
- 4 "3. Comrade Roeun, member;
- 5 "4. Comrade Ven, member; and
- 6 "5. Comrade Cheam, member." End of quote. [End of intervention in
- 7 English]
- 8 There are obviously several members of the committee who have
- 9 testified before the Chamber.
- 10 [15.15.40]
- 11 Second point regarding the second chapter and the passage of this
- document E3/122, this has to do with the section that has to deal
- 13 with self-criticism. It is possible to identify a number of
- 14 cadres from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs when you read the
- 15 contents of this passage regarding self-examination. The title is
- 16 "Constructive Opinions of the Collectivity of the 11th of
- 17 December 1976". And we find it in the following pages: Khmer,
- 18 00427907 up to page 00427926; in English, the page is 00003304 to
- 19 00003320. It is impossible to give you all the pages in French
- 20 because they are scattered throughout the French translations.
- 21 In this section, the officials that are engaged in self-criticism
- 22 are the following:
- 23 Comrade Nou; Chheam -- and I would presume that it is Phy Phuon;
- 24 Dean -- D-e-a-n; Moeun -- M-o-e-u-n Meoun -- Mun; Thi Thi;
- 25 Hong -- one would presume it is So Hong; Touch -- T-o-u-c-h; Sou

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- 1 -- and we are told that he is in Thailand; and others, including
- 2 Konh -- K-o-n-h, one would assume that is Suong Sikoeun, alias
- 3 Kung.
- 4 [15.17.58]
- 5 For each of these persons, we find that there are qualities and
- 6 failings or shortcomings I mentioned.
- 7 Let me give you an example. Page in Khmer, 00427850 -- so it is
- 8 00427850 -- and in English it is 00003267; and in French it is
- 9 00657884. It has to do with the self-examination of Comrade
- 10 Moeun. Let me quote:
- 11 Point 2: "Regarding Political Affairs, defects or shortcomings:
- 12 He is disoriented after hearing that the population had nothing
- 13 to eat."
- 14 Following Point: "During the study, we heard that enemies had
- 15 infiltrated and sewed the seeds of panic." End of quote.
- 16 Through self-examination of Comrade Moeun dated 1976, we
- 17 understand that some information regarding famine had been
- 18 disseminated within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 19 After the passages -- or after each passage in which officials
- 20 engaged in self-criticism, we find the comments made by Brother
- 21 Van -- that is Ieng Sary. This passage is quite long and it
- 22 includes comments and self-criticisms. He makes comments on the
- 23 self-criticisms of Comrade Nou, Hong, Moeun, Chheam, Dean, and
- 24 Sou.
- 25 [15.20.12]

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- 1 Let me give you two examples of Brother Van's comments -- that
- 2 is, the comments of Ieng Sary -- first of all regarding Kong --
- 3 that is, So Hong. In Khmer the ERN number is 00427916, and in
- 4 English it is 00003310, and in French it is 00657883. Let me
- 5 quote what Comrade Van says regarding Hong:
- 6 "Cause: There are three short comments:
- 7 "1. He is not yet imbued with the lines of the socialist
- 8 revolution; he does not yet master the nature of the class
- 9 struggle firmly; we must understand the antagonisms that exist in
- 10 the society.
- 11 "2. The petty bourgeois ideology tendency to make class
- 12 compromises.
- 13 "3. Is not yet imbued with the organizational principles of the
- 14 Party." End of quote.
- 15 We find that here there are a number of subjects that are very
- 16 often recurrent in the publications of the Party.
- 17 [15.21.48]
- 18 A second example of Brother Van's comments is what he tells Sou
- 19 -- Sou, who was working in Thailand at the time. And the passage
- 20 in Khmer is 00427924, and in English it is 00003318, and in
- 21 French it is 00657889 (sic). So this is what Van says to Sou
- 22 regarding his major shortcomings:
- 23 "The ideology and the position of the proletarian class are not
- 24 yet solid. One would still think that the intellectuals are those
- 25 in leadership. Regarding those who have degrees, we have to

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- 1 redouble our vigilance as much as possible." End of quote.
- 2 I would now like to look at other sections of the same document
- 3 that have to do with the position of the Minister of Foreign
- 4 Affairs regarding enemies and social classes.
- 5 In the section regarding cell assemblies of the 22nd of May 1976,
- 6 we find the following on page ERN, Khmer, 00427822 -- let me
- 7 repeat: 00427822. And in English it is 00003247, and in French it
- 8 is 00657828. I quote: "Disadvantages: The political level of the
- 9 masses is still weak. That is to say, they don't yet know how to
- 10 investigate and control enemies; the masses are still peaceful --
- 11 or peaceable."
- 12 [15.24.19]
- 13 Two or three pages further down -- in Khmer it is 00427825, and
- 14 in English it is 00003249, and in French it is 00657829, and we
- 15 read the following:
- 16 "Duties: You must increase your spirit of revolutionary vigilance
- 17 and crack down on all the enemy's tactics, regardless of the
- 18 cost.
- 19 "The Ministry B-1 has four types of masses: the progressive
- 20 masses and people who are not evolving. That is the second and
- 21 third categories." End of quote.
- 22 Another quotation which is under the minutes of the B-1 assembly
- 23 of the 10th of July 1976 is found on the following pages: in
- 24 Khmer, ERN 00427830 -- I repeat, 00427830; in English it is
- 25 00003252; and in French it is 00657832 -- under title 2, "The

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- 1 Situation of the Society in Democratic Kampuchea". And we read
- 2 the following -- and I quote:
- 3 "The victory of the 17th of April 1975 is more grandiose than it
- 4 is than that of the Angkor era itself, because in Kampuchean
- 5 society we have egalitarianism: there are no longer any rich or
- 6 poor; there are no feudalists; there are no capitalists; there
- 7 are no petty bourgeois. All we have are workers and farmers." End
- 8 of quote.
- 9 [15.26.45]
- 10 And this is the conception of the class struggle and the
- 11 objective of egalitarianism.
- 12 In this document, we also find a reference to the evacuation of
- 13 towns, still with regard to the class struggle. And the Khmer
- 14 page is 00427856; in English it is 00003270 to 71; and in French
- 15 it is 00657846. Let me quote:
- 16 "The struggle against capitalism. We have defeated enemies. In
- 17 1973, we created cooperatives. On the 17th of April, our Angkar
- 18 was very clever. It annihilated the capitalists nationwide from
- 19 an organizational standpoint." End of quote.
- 20 [15.28.04]
- 21 Let me press on with what is said regarding enemies within the
- 22 ranks -- another quotation. The Khmer is 00427844; in English it
- 23 is 00003262; and in French it is 00657991. I will read from point
- 24 number 2 -- and I quote:
- 25 "The gnawing and infiltration within. 1% to 5% of people are

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- 1 working (sic). We have to study biographies thoroughly, as well
- 2 as study meetings of self-examination clearly, particularly in
- 3 the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. All embassies would like to know
- 4 about our leaders for two reasons: to be able to be in a
- 5 position to report back to their countries; secondly, they have
- 6 other objectives in mind." End of quote.
- 7 And there's another passage that I will read as well. In Khmer it
- 8 is on page 00427940, and in English it is 00003331; in French,
- 9 00657902.
- 10 THE INTERPRETER:
- 11 I pointed out earlier that it was "1% to 5% of the people
- working", but "1% to 5% of the people are traitors".
- 13 [15.30.07]
- 14 MR. DE WILDE D'ESTMAEL:
- 15 "VI. Situation of the enemies in Cambodia
- 16 "The year 1976 was the key year. The enemies are decrepit, are
- 17 weakening, are ready to die. The revolution has pulled out their
- 18 roots, and the espionage networks have been smashed; in terms of
- 19 classes, our enemies are all gone. However, they are still
- 20 American Imperialists, the CIA, the revisionists, the KGB, and
- 21 the Vietnamese. Even though they have capitulated, they can still
- 22 block us. Another thing is that the enemies are inside our body,
- 23 among the military, the workers, in the cooperatives, and even in
- 24 our ranks. Making socialist revolution deeply and strongly, these
- 25 enemies must be progressively wiped out as soon as possible." End

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- 1 of quote.
- 2 [15.31.23]
- 3 And, finally, a last excerpt: Khmer ERN 00427946; English,
- 4 00003334 to 35; and French 00657905 and I quote:
- 5 "It is necessary to prepare the conditions to ensure security
- 6 properly, to follow the biographies of all people within the
- 7 ministry, to gather all of the weapons and ammunition and to send
- 8 them to headquarters. We also have to follow closely the enemies
- 9 within the ministries." End of quote -- [free translation].
- 10 So we will notice that -- with all of these quotes that the idea
- 11 of following the biographies carefully or the enemies is a topic
- 12 that is currently brought up -- commonly brought up during the
- 13 meetings at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 14 And now I would like to turn to another document which is E3/857,
- 15 and this is a report from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs titled
- 16 "Cooperation with all of the Units -- 12 September 1977". And
- 17 here this is a document that is -- was produced after the agenda
- 18 of which I have read out excerpts. And I'm going to read out four
- 19 excerpts from this document E3/857.
- 20 [15.33.14]
- 21 And the first excerpt is on page 00 -- in Khmer, 00086707 -
- 22 00086707; English, 00355487; and French, 00811327. And I believe
- 23 it's the first page of the document -- and I quote [free
- 24 translation]:
- 25 "Summary of the Reports of all Units

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- 1 "First of all, enemy activity:
- 2 "In our ministerial meetings, we notice that we have -- we're
- 3 successful in cleaning out and in fundamentally getting rid of
- 4 the enemies who are CIA members, or who are KGB members, or who
- 5 are among the Yuon invaders. 'Eliminate and cleaning in-depth'
- 6 means that the governing agent of the enemy preparing coups
- 7 d'état to seize the power of the peasants and workers was cleaned
- 8 out and purged. We agreed on the purges against the enemies and
- 9 on the necessity to clean our ministry as well as each unit in
- 10 which enemies are present." End of quote.
- 11 [15.34.57]
- 12 The second excerpt, and on the same page and also continues on to
- 13 the following page -- and I quote -- [free translation]: "In
- 14 general, 98 per cent of our ministry is clean. This means that
- 15 they understand that it is necessary to clean out the enemies.
- 16 The two remaining per cent continue with their activities."
- 17 And a little bit further:
- 18 "We must make sure that these 2 per cent do not propagate because
- 19 if something happens to us, they will take advantage of this to
- 20 increase in size; they will go from 2 per cent to 3 per cent, 4,
- 21 5 per cent, little by little. We must therefore surround them and
- 22 reduce them from 2 per cent to 1.5 per cent, 1 per cent, or even
- 23 0.5 per cent.
- 24 "Generally speaking, our ministry has a very high level of
- 25 vigilance; and when we feel that something is abnormal, we report

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- 1 on it. Therefore, an enemy stated, 'Later on everyone will end up
- 2 being arrested; only Bong Khieu Samphan will remain.' Our
- 3 comrades have analyzed the sentence in order to come into contact
- 4 with this person. After having interrogated this person, we
- 5 understood that he is part of the enemy networks. It's true that
- 6 our ministry is already doing a good job, but we have to be
- 7 careful about these 2 per cent that are acting under a leader.
- 8 And we have to reinforce our revolutionary vigilance because our
- 9 ministry has links with many, many foreign embassies." End of
- 10 quote.
- 11 [15.37.06]
- 12 Third excerpt, on the Khmer page 00086708 to 709; English,
- 13 00355489; French, 0087110 -- sorry, 00811328 to 329 -- and I
- 14 quote; this is point 4, [free translation]:
- 15 "Strengthening Angkar at all Levels:
- 16 "[...] Recently, our Party ranks have been reduced because of the
- 17 elimination of the enemies, but we have better quality now. Our
- 18 brothers and sisters are all aware of this and they all
- 19 understand spontaneously the enemies' ploys burrowing within our
- 20 ranks."
- 21 A bit later:
- 22 "In this strengthening process, we have to pay attention to the
- 23 classes and we have to favour the working class, the poor
- 24 peasants, the medium peasants, and the lower peasants. In
- 25 particular, we must examine carefully their biographies, their

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- 1 revolutionary spirit, their revolutionary biography, without
- 2 forgetting to ask for the agreement of the masses." End of quote.
- 3 [15.38.51]
- 4 Fourth and last excerpt from this document which is an important
- 5 document about the enemies -- and the ERN 00086710 to 11;
- 6 English, 00355491; French, 00811331 [free translation] -- under
- 7 the heading "3. Tasks to take on to further the socialist
- 8 revolution" -- and I quote:
- 9 "This is also a main task. Some are able to complete their tasks
- 10 properly, but they are, however, dominated by the capitalists and
- 11 petty-bourgeois spirit; we consider them as bad elements because
- 12 they cannot fulfil the tasks linked to the furthering of the
- 13 socialist revolution. Furthering the socialist revolution means
- 14 abolishing individual property, struggling against social
- 15 classes, having a strong stance towards the enemies, and
- 16 distinguishing properly people on our side from the enemies, and
- 17 we should not mix them up and we should eliminate the people who
- 18 are individualist." End of quote.
- 19 So, regarding this distinction between what the document terms as
- 20 enemies on the one hand, and those on our side on the other hand,
- 21 the following is said on page, Khmer, 0086712; English, 00355493;
- 22 French, 00811332 -- and I quote [free translation]:
- 23 "...Making efforts in the education of political principles so that
- 24 the population may make the distinction between those on our side
- 25 and the enemies. 'Those on our side' mean the Party, the

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- 1 revolution, the population, the authorities belonging to the
- 2 working- and peasant-class, and all of these people belong to the
- 3 revolution. As far as the term 'enemy', 'enemy' designates
- 4 everything that is non-revolutionary and all those who are
- 5 anti-revolutionary, so we should not mix up the enemies with the
- 6 revolution." End of quote.
- 7 [15.41.45]
- 8 So, now, I'm going to backtrack to the structure of the Ministry
- 9 of Foreign Affairs and to the positions held by certain cadres.
- 10 It is useful, in order to understand what the Ministry of Foreign
- 11 Affairs entailed, to look at some of the prisoner lists from S-21
- 12 when these lists involve prisoners coming from the Ministry of
- 13 Foreign Affairs.
- 14 As an example, I will look at document E3/1534, which is a
- 15 prisoner list from S-21 titled "Names of the Prisoners Coming
- 16 from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs". There is no French version
- 17 available. So this is a two-page document that is under ERN
- 18 00087007 -- in Khmer -- to 009, so it's three pages in Khmer;
- 19 English, 00181667 to 69.
- 20 And the latest date on this document is 15 April 1978. And there
- 21 are 43 names in this list. And if we could display it on the
- 22 screen, we can see that among these 43 names, there are more than
- 23 10 students who had returned from abroad, in particular from
- 24 France, and therefore they are considered as falling under the
- 25 Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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- 1 [15.43.36]
- 2 And there are also cadres and combatants from the ministry -- for
- 3 example, on line 3, Mr. Keo Chean, who was a combatant at the
- 4 Boeng Trabek Office. He entered S-21 on 25 February 1978. And we
- 5 notice here that the Boeng Trabek Office, according to this
- 6 document, was already under the aegis of the Ministry of Foreign
- 7 Affairs in 1978.
- 8 And in this list, there are combatants from Offices B-62 and
- 9 B-64, there are cadres from the embassies abroad -- in
- 10 particular, number 20, Meak Touch, who was the ambassador to
- 11 Laos, and 36, Lean Sirivut, the Third Secretary in Beijing. These
- 12 are people we already spoke about during the previous hearings.
- 13 And there are also cadres coming from B-1, such as, at line 21,
- 14 Van Piny, who was referred to as Deputy Minister of Foreign
- 15 Affairs, or at line 31, Svay Bory from the Information and
- 16 Propaganda Section of the ministry. Their spouses are also listed
- 17 here.
- 18 And, finally -- and this is also worth noting -- at posting 19 in
- 19 this list, there is a cadre coming from Sector 15 who was the
- 20 Deputy Secretary of Sector 15, therefore in the West Zone. This
- 21 is Tep Hai, alias Ham, who entered S-21 on 15 April 1978 and who
- 22 is also included in a list from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 23 [15.45.39]
- 24 I have 15 minutes left and I won't be able to finish today, Mr.
- 25 President; we started this morning at 9.30, so a bit late. But I

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- 1 would like to start, however, speaking about the Ministry of
- 2 Commerce.
- 3 Regarding the Committee of Commerce, you will remember that
- 4 earlier on its composition was described in a decision from the
- 5 Standing Committee from 19, 20, 21 April 1976. This was document
- 6 E3/235. And its composition back then -- of the Commerce
- 7 Committee, in 1976 -- was the following: Comrade Rith; Nhem --
- 8 N-h-e-m, therefore; Chhoeun -- C-h-h-o-e-u-n. All three of them
- 9 were members. And we will get back to the fate of Nhem and
- 10 Chhoeun later.
- 11 Now, I would like to show you a first document which is the
- written record of the meeting of the Standing Committee of 13
- 13 March 1976 which focuses on commerce. And this is document E3/233
- 14 and E3/234. On the first page, we can see that the participants
- 15 to this meeting are: Comrade Secretary -- and we can imagine that
- 16 this was Pol Pot; Committee -- Deputy Secretary Nuon Chea;
- 17 Comrade Van -- therefore, Ieng Sary; Comrade Khieu -- Son Sen;
- 18 Comrade Hem -- Khieu Samphan; Comrade Thuch -- T-h-u-c-h, Koy
- 19 Thuon, that is to say; Comrade Doeun -- that is Sua Vasi; and
- 20 Secretary Touch -- T-o-u-c-h. And it's interesting to note here
- 21 that Comrade Thuch -- that is to say, Koy Thuon -- is present at
- 22 this meeting on commerce on 13 March 1976, whereas, as of April
- 23 1976, as we saw, his name no longer appears in the government
- 24 lists.
- 25 [15.48.06]

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- 1 And during this meeting of 13 April -- 13 March 1976, the
- 2 Standing Committee took the decision of creating, in the field of
- 3 commerce, a committee in charge of preparing supplies that had to
- 4 be purchased, and -- and it is composed as follows -- and this is
- 5 listed on the first page of the document in all three languages;
- 6 I quote:
- 7 "Comrade Thuch -- T-h-u-c-h President; Comrade Hem, member; and
- 8 then three advisory members: Comrade Van, Vorn, and Doeun; and a
- 9 reporter, Comrade Touch -- T-o-u-c-h. So we can see that beyond
- 10 -- outside of the President, Koy Thuon, who will disappear later,
- 11 there is only one effective member here, and this is Khieu
- 12 Samphan.
- 13 [15.49.10]
- 14 And second and last excerpt of this document E3/233 -- it is on
- 15 page, Khmer, 00000749 -- so that is to say, 00000749 French, on
- 16 page 2, ERN 00301333; English, 00182650. And this is the
- 17 composition of a committee regarding banks and it was made up by
- 18 the Standing Committee, and the following people are listed, and
- 19 this is the -- we see this list is in the opposite order in
- 20 relation to the other committee because Comrade Hem is president
- 21 here. Comrade Thoch -- therefore, Koy Thuon -- is member. And
- 22 there are two advisory members, Comrade Van and Comrade Doeun,
- and a reporter, Comrade Touch -- T-o-u-c-h. End of quote.
- 24 And there is another record from the meeting of the Standing
- 25 Committee dated 7 May 1976 and which focuses on issues related to

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- 1 commerce and this is document E3/220 -- E3/220. And attended this
- 2 meeting: the Deputy Secretary, the Secretary, Comrade Van, Hem,
- 3 Vorn, and Doeun. And this is the excerpt which I would like to
- 4 read out -- and I quote, [free translation]:
- 5 "After the reports of the Super Comrade Doeun regarding the
- 6 Commerce Department, the meeting decided to organize, 1) The
- 7 Commerce Committee; and to transfer Super Comrade Chey -- C-h-e-y
- 8 -- from Agriculture to Lead Commerce; Super Comrade Doeun will go
- 9 down to Commerce for three months, May, June, and July, one half
- 10 day at the office" -- and this is Office 870, as we saw "and
- 11 one half day at Commerce; Point 2, go to Hong Kong; have Super
- 12 Comrade Rith go to Hong Kong with Comrade Sou once more to make
- 13 contact for purchases." End of quote.
- 14 [15.52.09]
- 15 So, a little comment here regarding what happened to Comrade Chey
- 16 -- C-h-e-y, so this is Chey Suon, alias Non Suon, alias Saen. And
- 17 he was arrested in 1976; he was executed at S-21, and there is a
- 18 confession, on the case file, that he gave at S-21, indexed IS
- 19 5.69 and also E190 -- I repeat, I apologize, E190.1.14, dated
- 20 November 1976. And it seems, therefore, that he was not -- he was
- 21 prevented from playing an important role at the Ministry of
- 22 Foreign Affairs as was expected previously.
- 23 Comrade Doeun, as we are going to see now through some documents,
- 24 continued with his supervision work and continued leading the
- 25 Commerce Committee, not until July as the Standing Committee

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- 1 stated then, but at least until the end of September 1976. And
- 2 later on Doeun entered S-21 at the beginning of 1977, and at --
- 3 on the case file, we have a confession dated 19 February 1977,
- 4 indexed E3/1625 -- E3/1625.
- 5 [15.54.05]
- 6 So, now, let's look at why we can claim that Comrade Doeun
- 7 continued with his activities at the Commerce Committee until the
- 8 end of September 1976. Because there are four reports on the case
- 9 file that were sent by the Commerce Committee to Brother Doeun --
- 10 the "Respected Brother Doeun" -- regarding the trade relations
- 11 with North Korea. And these four reports are indexed as IS 18.11
- 12 from 21 August 1976, IS 18.12 from 28 August 1976, D366/7.1.823
- 13 -- and I repeat, D366/7.1.823 -- of 7 September 1976, and
- 14 document IS 18.14, which is the last document on the case file
- 15 and which is dated 30 September 1976. After this, as we will see,
- 16 all of the reports will be sent to Khieu Samphan.
- 17 [15.55.35]
- 18 So, I'm simply going to quote one of these reports that were sent
- 19 by the Commerce Committee to Brother Doeun, and this is document
- 20 D366/7.1.823 of 7 September 1976. And this is a report relating
- 21 to a meeting between members of the Commerce Committee and
- 22 friends -- North Korean friends, as stated. And if we look at the
- 23 end of this document, we will see that this report, as other
- 24 reports from the Commerce Committee, were copied to Office K-1,
- 25 to Office 51, and to the Interior Commerce, and to Archives.

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- 1 And we notice that three cadres attended, on behalf of the
- 2 Ministry of Commerce, this meeting with the North Koreans:
- 3 Comrade Chhoeun -- and we said that he was a member of the
- 4 committee; Uncle Hong -- H-o-n-g; and Comrade Mol. And the
- 5 discussions were focused on the establishment of trade relations
- 6 and on regular communication between North Korea and Democratic
- 7 Kampuchea.
- 8 [15.57.01]
- 9 So, as of the end of October 1976 at the latest, it's no longer
- 10 to Doeun, but to Hem -- that is to say, Khieu Samphan -- that
- 11 they -- that reports of this kind were addressed, and this until
- 12 the end of the regime of Democratic Kampuchea. And we can
- 13 therefore see about 28 reports that were addressed to Khieu
- 14 Samphan between 29 October 1976 and 3 December 1978. Five involve
- 15 meetings with North Koreans, about 10 meetings with the Chinese,
- 16 and another -- and about 10 others about meetings with the
- 17 Yugoslavs.
- 18 And I'm going to mention two representative examples of this
- 19 category of documents. The first example is document IS 18.19,
- 20 which is dated 1 November 1976, and this is the report from the
- 21 Commerce Committee to the attention of Brother Hem -- the
- 22 "Respected and Well Beloved Brother Hem". This is a two-page
- 23 report. And what we would like to look at are two things in this
- 24 report.
- 25 First of all, on the first page, the following is stated -- and I

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- 1 quote, [free translation]:
- 2 "Opinion from our North Korean friends:
- 3 "1. Regarding the water compressors, our Korean friends would
- 4 like to know how many of these compressors we need. These
- 5 compressors allow these pumps to operate properly.
- 6 "Our opinion" -- that is to say, the opinion of the Cambodian
- 7 delegation -- and I quote: "We are waiting for Angkar's decision
- 8 before we provide them with an answer."
- 9 [15.59.00]
- 10 And second passage -- I believe it's the same page, at point 2:
- 11 "Regarding 80 tonnes of sesame and a thousand tonnes of grain,
- 12 our North Korean friends say the following: But next time, they
- 13 will not take any sesame because their government stressed that
- 14 the Kampuchean people was underfed. Once there will be enough
- 15 food in Kampuchea, they will then take sesame.
- 16 "Our opinion: We thank our Korean friends for their understanding
- 17 in regard to the scarcity of food in our country. The next year
- 18 there will be enough food in our country."
- 19 So, it's interesting to notice that the scarcity of food in
- 20 Cambodia was already known in 1976 by the North Koreans, but
- 21 despite this, Democratic Kampuchea was already exporting foods,
- 22 such as this report shows to us.
- 23 [16.00.29]
- 24 [Oh, sorry, the microphone wasn't] -- I don't know, Mr.
- 25 President, if you would like us to look at another document or if

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- 1 you'd like to adjourn for today. Thank you.
- 2 MR. PRESIDENT:
- 3 Thank you, Mr. Co-Prosecutor.
- 4 It is indeed appropriate moment already for today's adjournment.
- 5 However, before we adjourn, the Chamber wishes to inform the
- 6 parties to the proceedings that the Chamber will not be sitting
- 7 during tomorrow and the day after tomorrow, due to the fact that
- 8 we have been informed by the Office of Administration that
- 9 national members -- staff members of the Court are allowed to be
- 10 on leave to check their names -- or name on the voting list. So
- 11 the Chamber will not convene -- will not be convened until the
- 12 18th of October, and document hearing will continue.
- 13 The Co-Prosecutors will have the opportunity to finish their part
- 14 on the submission of putting documents before the Chamber, to be
- 15 followed by the Lead Co-Lawyers for the civil party.
- 16 Security personnel are now instructed to bring Mr. Nuon Chea and
- 17 Khieu Samphan back to the detention facility and have them
- 18 returned to the courtroom by the 18th of October, at 9 a.m.
- 19 The Court is adjourned.
- 20 (Court adjourns at 1602H))

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