

Colonel Lon Nol said that since the last Liaison Meeting a private meeting had been arranged between the Presidents of the two Delegations. At this meeting a large measure of agreement had been reached on the outstanding issues, and he went to Phnom-Penh to consult the Cambodian Government on these points. Subsequently, a formal meeting of the Joint Commission was arranged with the following results:

(a) It was conceded by both the parties that on the whole the execution of "cease-fire" was effected within the time-limit set out in the Geneva Agreement. Mine-clearing operations had been carried out satisfactorily. It was agreed by both the Delegations that the High Command of the Vietnamese Military Units would inform the Khmer Royal Government and the International Commission the location of places where mines could not be removed yet due to persons who laid the mines not being available for removing them.

(b) With regard to the prisoners of war and civilian internees, a certain number of persons had been released from both sides and lists of prisoners who had already been released had been circulated. On the whole, both the Delegations were agreed that investigations about the prisoners of war not yet released should proceed further, after the dissolution of the Joint Commission, between the High Commands of the two Delegations, with the help of the International Commission.

(c) Regarding the withdrawal of troops, Colonel Lon Nol said the International Commission were themselves aware of the progress made about the retreat of the Vietnamese soldiers.

(d) Regarding demobilisation, the Cambodian Government had agreed not to press the point under dispute. The Khmer Resistance Forces, Colonel Lon Nol continued, was now nothing more than historical memory and from this time onwards, the Royal Government of Cambodia would only refer to them as Cambodian citizens.

(e) Regarding arms and weapons in the possession of the Khmer Resistance Forces, Colonel Lon Nol said that Colonel Thanh Son had informed him that after demobilisation had been effected and the troops disarmed, the weapons had been destroyed. It was agreed that Colonel Thanh Son would indicate direct to the International Commission the places where the weapons had been collected and destroyed.

As to armed persons still appearing before the Khmer National Armed Forces after demobilisation Colonel Lon Nol said that Colonel Thanh Son had informed him that the Khmer National High Command would be free to treat such persons as coming within the scope of the normal laws of the country.

(f) As to the problem of reintegration of ex-prisoners of war and ex-civilian internees into the national community, Colonel Lon Nol informed the International Commission that a general amnesty had been announced by the Khmer Royal Government on the basis of the Geneva Agreement. Another order had