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## **Statement**

To all Cambodians, both inside and outside the country

Dear compatriots!

The Khmer Movement for Democracy (KMD) would like to express our deep gratitude to the Cambodian people around the world for their united, non-violent and unwavering unity to protect the sovereignty of Cambodia. Your unity and patriotism were the driving force behind the reunification of our democratic forces and forced the Phnom Penh regime to withdraw from CLV-DTA cooperation. It also urged the one-party National Assembly to begin the process of repealing the CLV-DTA Trade Promotion and Facilitation Agreement. The Khmer Movement for Democracy promises to remain with the Cambodian people on the principle of non-violence in following the procedures of the one-party National Assembly until the King signs the law repealing Trade Promotion and Facilitation Agreement within the CLV-DTA framework.

Once again, the Khmer Movement for Democracy calls on all Cambodians to continue to monitor and push for the complete withdrawal of relevant non-transparent agreements, as well as other memoranda of understanding related to the CLV-DTA project. Maintain our stance that the Phnom Penh regime should be held accountable and transparently in all bilateral and tripartite agreements, especially with neighboring countries, including: Land concession agreements for companies owned by the military and foreign governments; Permanent residence for Vietnamese immigrants, border demarcation agreements and other agreements that result in deforestation of Cambodia's forests and natural resources without proper oversight by the National Assembly resulting from free, fair and just elections. The bilateral agreement led to the influx of illegal immigrants, the creation of separatist zones that posed a threat to national security, sovereignty and territorial integrity, and the rise of new colonial rule.

Cambodians, both inside and outside the country, should be very careful and should continue to monitor and to demand that the Phnom Penh regime show transparency and accountability in the implementation of those bilateral and tripartite agreements. The Khmer Movement for Democracy declares that it will stand shoulder to shoulder with the Cambodian people, both inside and outside the country, especially the youth, in order to defend territorial integrity and continue to fight for the return of a true liberal, multi-party democracy as stated in the Paris Peace Accords.



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