

Kampuchea refutes Soviet slander

The U.S. imperialists are not alone in their attacks on Democratic Kampuchea. The other superpower, the USSR, has also been viciously slandering the Kampuchean revolution.

Recently the foreign ministry of Kampuchea issued a statement refuting these slanders. The statement declared that Tass, Pravda and other Soviet media have repeatedly intervened in the internal affairs of Kampuchea, opposing its revolution and its stand of independence, self-reliance and mastering its own destiny.

During Kampuchea's war of liberation, the statement pointed out, the USSR supported the traitor Lon Nol, who seized power in a U.S.-backed coup. Since Kampuchea's liberation, the Soviet propaganda apparatus has not only smeared Kampuchea

but supported and encouraged Vietnam in its invasions and attempts to incorporate Kampuchea into the so-called "Indochina Federation."

The foreign ministry affirmed that Kampuchea has been restrained in the face of these attacks, in line with its desire of friendship with the Soviet people. But the leadership of the USSR has only increased its slanders.

The statement of the foreign ministry declared that the Kampuchean people and government would tolerate no interference in their internal affairs, "let alone sit idly in face of the hostility on the part of the expansionist power and its accomplices, which were against Democratic Kampuchea but were supporting Vietnam in its aggression, expansion, and annexation of Kampuchea."