TREATY OF PEACE FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF KAMPUCHEA AND THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM


Base on the traditions of militants solidarity and fraternal Kampuchea-Vietnam friendship which have withstood numerous tests and become an indestructible force assuring victory to the cause of the defense and building of each country.

Profoundly realizing that the independence, freedom, peace, and security of the two countries are highly linked and that the two parties have the duty to help each other with all of their strength to consolidate and defend the great revolutionary gains already acquired in the course of nearly 30 years of difficult struggle full of sacrifices.

Affirming that the militant solidarity and the long term, comprehensive friendly cooperation between Kampuchea and Vietnam respond to the vital interests of the people of the two countries and at the same time constitute a factor firmly guaranteeing peace and stability in South East Asia, conforming to the fundamental interests of the peoples of the countries in the region and contributing to the maintenance of world peace.

Convinced that the complete victory of the Kampuchea people under the glorious flag of Kampuchea National United Front for National Salvation, the correct line of independence, sovereignty and international solidarity of each country and mutual respect for legitimate interests constitute the solid basis for the uninterrupted development of relation of friendship and cooperation between the two countries.

Proposing to strengthen the militant solidarity, long-term, friendly co-operation and mutual aid in all areas in order to consolidate independence, build a prosperous country and happy life for the people of each country and contribute to the maintenance of peace and stability in South-east Asia and in the world in conformity with the objectives of the movement of non-aligned countries and the United Nations Organization Charter.

Have decided to sign the present treaty and are in agreement on the articles listed below:

ARTICLE 1

the two parties undertake to their almost to incessantly defend and develop the traditions of militant solidarity and the relations of friendship and fraternal Kampuchea-Vietnam cooperation, mutual confidence and mutual aid in all spheres on the basis of mutual respect for independence and sovereignty, mutual respect for legitimate interests, non-interference in the internal affairs of the order, equality and mutual benefit.

the two parties undertake to educate the cadres, combatants and inhabitant of respective countries and preserve forever the purity of traditions of militant solidarity and of loyal Kampuchea-Vietnam friendship.

ARTICLE 2
On the principle according to which the defense and build of one’s own country are rightly the work of the people of each country, the two parties undertake to accord each other, mutually and wholeheartedly, support and aid in all spheres and in all necessary forms with a view to reinforcing the capacities to defend the independence, sovereignty, unity, territorial integrity and peaceful labors of peoples of each country against all maneuvers and all acts of sabotage of the imperialist forces and international reactionaries. the two parties will take efficacious measures to carry out these commitments when one of them so requests.

ARTICLE 3

With a view to helping one another to build their own countries and life of well-being and happiness, the two parties will intensify their relations of exchange and fraternal co-operation for mutual interest and will help each other in the economic, cultural, educational, health, scientific and technique fields and in the training of cadres through the exchange of experts and experiences concerning national construction in all spheres.

To attain this goal, the two countries will sign the necessary accords and at the same time intensify contacts and co-operation between the state services concerned and the mass organizations of the two countries.

ARTICLE 4

The two countries undertake to settle by peaceful negotiation all the differences which might arise in the relations between them. the two countries will enter into negotiations to sign a treaty on the delineation of the national borders between the two countries on basic of present border lines and are determined to build border lines of durable peace and friendship between the two countries.

ARTICLE 5

The two parties completely respect each other’s line of independence and sovereignty. The two parties maintain a foreign policy of independence, peace, friendship and non alignment according to the principle of non-interference in any form in the internal affairs of their own country and of refusing to allow any country to use their territory to intervene in other countries.

The two countries take into consideration the tradition of militant solidarity and longstanding fraternal friendship among the Kampuchea, Lao, and Vietnam peoples and undertake to intensify these traditional relations on basis of mutual respect for the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of each country. the two parties are strengthening their relations in all field with the socialist countries. Being South-East Asian nation, the People’s Republic of Kampuchea and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam maintain a policy of friendly relations and of good neighborliness with Thailand and the other countries of South-East Asia and actively contribute their share to the peace, stability and prosperity of the South-East Asian region. The two parties are developing their relation of co-operation with the national independence countries (sic), the national liberation movements and the democratic movement. Resolutely supporting the struggle
of the people of various countries for peace, national independence, democracy and social progress, the two parties actively contribute to the solidarity and growth of the non-aligned movement against imperialism and the other international reactionary forces with a view to recovering and safeguarding national independence and advancing toward the establishment of a new world economic order.

ARTICLE 6

The two countries will have regular exchanges of views on questions concerning the relation between the two countries and international problems of common interest. All questions in the relations between the two countries will be settled through negotiation in a spirit of understanding and of mutual respect, conforming to reason and heart.

ARTICLE 7

The present treaty is not aimed at opposing any third country and does not affect the rights and obligations of each party according to bilateral or multilateral agreements to which it is signatory.

ARTICLE 8

The present treaty will enter into effect immediately from the day the letters of ratification are exchanged. The ratification will be carried out according to the procedures of each party.

ARTICLE 9

The present treaty is valid for a period of 25 year and will be tacitly extended each time for a period of 10 years if one of the two parties does not inform the other in writing of its desire to annul the treaty 1 year before the date of its expiration.

The present treaty is made on 18 February 1979 in Phnom Penh, capital of the People’s Republic of Kampuchea, in two copies, in Cambodian and Vietnamese, the two copies being equally valid.

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