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**Nol Says**

## **He Got \$100,000**

### **Honolulu**

Former Cambodian President Lon Nol was offered \$1 million by the caretaker government to leave Phnom Penh before it fell but only got a small portion of that amount, a spokesman for the exiled president said yesterday.

"The \$1 million was promised by the government, but it was not a bribe," said Chhang Song, former Cambodian information minister.

Lon Nol "got some money, about a tenth of that," Song said in an interview.

Song was responding to accusations by former Cambodian President Sau Kham Khoy, who arrived this week at the refugee center at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Khoy, who succeeded Lon Nol shortly before Phnom Penh fell to the Khmer Rouge, told newsmen the \$1 million in U.S. money was a bribe to get the ailing Lon Nol out of the country.

"I don't know how Khoy got the idea it was a bribe," Song said.

"We were shuffled out of the cabinet in order to get negotiations, peace talks, a cease-fire going. We were sent here, officially, on a mission."

Lon Nol arrived in Honolulu in early April and bought a \$100,000 house in suburban Hawaii Kai. He has stayed out of sight and his only comment on public affairs has been a denial of reports that he took large amounts of gold from Cambodia.

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