Assurances to Cambodia Normalization Are Reported 1975

President Richard M. Nixon gave the Cambodian Government private assurances last year that encouraged it to assume that the United States would come to its rescue, Time magazine reports in its current issue.

The news weekly says President Nixon promised continuing American support in a series of letters to President Lon Nol, whose government fell last week after five years of civil war. The letters, Time says, were written between 1970 and 1974.

Time quoted Mr. Nixon as having declared in a letter sent to President Lon Nol in January of 1970: "The U. S. remains fully determined to provide a maximum possible assistance to your heroic self-defense and will continue to stand side-byside with the republic."