

Cambodian Group Is in North Korea

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HONG KONG, Aug. 19—The Cambodian leader Khieu Samphan arrived in North Korea from China today, evidently for a long-expected meeting with his nominal head of state, Prince Norodom Sihanouk, who has been staying in Pyongyang since May.

Prince Sihanouk was not at the airport this morning to meet Mr. Khieu Samphan and other members of the Cambodian Communist delegation, the North Korean press agency reported. After a welcome by Kim Dong Gyu, North Korea's vice president, the visitors drove to the state guest house.

There was no immediate word on whether Mr. Khieu Samphan, the ranking Cambodian Deputy Premier and an old antagonist of Prince Sihanouk's, met the Prince later during the day. A state banquet was scheduled for this evening.

Diplomats in Peking and Chinese Communist sources here have suggested recently that Mr. Sihanouk may be invited to return briefly to Phnom Penh and then journey on to New York to represent Cambodia at next month's session of the United Nations General Assembly. The 52-year-old Prince has not been back to Cambodia since the Communist triumph on April 17.

The Cambodian delegation, which also included Penn Nouth,

the country's titular Premier, arrived from Peking after signing an agreement on economic and technical aid with China yesterday. No details of the pact were released, but a joint communiqué issued tonight, 12 hours after the delegation left, said that the visit had been "crowned with success."

In the communiqué, the Cambodians said they wished to "express their deepest thanks" that they had "constantly received genuine support and assistance" from the Chinese. In a banquet speech last night in Peking, Mr. Khieu Samphan said that China had provided "unconditional and gratis aid."

A Reference to Sihanouk

Today's communiqué contained only one passing reference to Prince Sihanouk, and it was made by the Chinese rather than by the Cambodians. "The Chinese side is happy to note," the lengthy document stated, that, with Prince Sihanouk as the head of state, Cambodia is "enjoying an ever higher international prestige and playing an ever greater role in international affairs."

The reference suggested that the Chinese might envision Prince Sihanouk still playing an important role as Cambodia's representative abroad.

The Chinese are thought to have considerable interest in seeing the once-proud royal ruler of Cambodia's eight million people given at least some face-saving position, since they

served as his hosts and chief supporters after he was overthrown by Marshal Lon Nol in 1970. Moreover, Prince Sihanouk has long been a close friend of Premier Chou En-Lai, and the Chinese place a high value on personal relationships. Chinese leaders still speak warmly of former President Nixon, for example.

Although Prince Sihanouk was confirmed as head of state by a special congress in Phnom Penh in late April, his name was hardly mentioned throughout the talks and banquets in China, except in toasts. Nor was the Prince present when Mr. Khieu Samphan, whom Mr. Sihanouk once reportedly had had stripped and beaten in public, signed the aid agreement.

Boys Are Said to Outnumber Girls Going to Peru Schools

LIMA, Peru (UPI) — More boys than girls go to school in Peru, Dr. Jose Rivera, director of supplementary education in the ministry of education, revealed recently.

As many boys as girls enter first grade every year, he said. But three boys enter high school for every two girls, and twice as many men as women matriculate in universities, he said.

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