

Sihanouk, in Hanoi, Describes a Visit Made to Cambodia

HANOI, North Vietnam, April 8 (Agence France-Presse) — Prince Nordom Sihanouk, head of the Peking-based Cambodian exile government, said today that he had visited "liberated areas" of Cambodia, had been there one and a half months and that the trip had been carried out in complete security.

He was accompanied by his wife, Princess Monique, and the areas he visited included Stung Trieng and Siem Reap Provinces, he said in an interview here.

"During the whole voyage, we only had one tire flattened by a machine-gun bullet to complain about," he said here. "Not a single person wounded, and

yet the raids by American planes were, and are, still heavy, very heavy."

He said: "now our enemies are going to assess the importance of this mission on the political, diplomatic and psychological levels, both with regard to our nation and with regard to the rest of the world. They have always said that I would not or I could not go there. Now it has been done." The prince also said that he planned more such trips.

He said that he had proceeded from Dong Hoi, North Vietnam, with a convoy of 20 Soviet-built jeeps accompanied by 150 North Vietnamese with communications equipment and a field-surgery unit.

Prince Sihanouk indicated that the Cambodian resistance was united following his contacts with its leaders during his visit.