

A Cambodian Viewpoint

Phnom Penh

Cambodia's new government said yesterday it is preparing for talks with rebel elements but that there could be no peace until the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong withdraw.

"We have reached a firm and strong decision that our new government will try to use all our resources in or-

der to bring peace to our country," Information Minister Sum Chhum told a news conference.

He added, however, that "wherever the aggressors of North Vietnam and the Viet Cong are still in our republic, it is very difficult to have negotiations between Knmer and Khmer (Cambodian and Cambodian). As

you know the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong already have proved they are not willing to have peace."

U.S. warplanes bombed in support of government troops along Highway 4 -- the road link between Phnom Penh and the sea -- for the second consecutive day yesterday military sources reported. *Reuters*