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Due to the secure and stable situation in Kampuchea and in implementing the declaration of the People's Republic of Kampuchea and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam made during the February 1983 Vientiane Summit and the Statement of the Extraordinary Conference of the Foreign Ministers of Laos, Kampuchea and Vietnam on April 12, 1983, on the continuation of partial withdrawal of Vietnamese volunteer troops from Kampuchea, the governments of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and the People's Republic of Kampuchea have agreed upon the withdrawal of the "Cuu Long" army corps, which consists of one infantry division and six dependent brigades and regiments, from Kampuchea. This will start from May 2 and be completed in the month.

Foreign journalists will be invited to Kampuchea to observe the withdrawal.

However, it is necessary to reiterate once again that the total withdrawal of Vietnamese volunteer troops from Kampuchea will only be realized after the threat from reactionaries among the Beijing circles and other reactionary forces as well as the using of Thai territory against the People's Republic of Kampuchea and all support to the Pol Pot clique and other Khmer reactionaries cease completely and peace and security of Kampuchea, particular along the Kampuchean-Thai border be assured.

We are confident that the justice and peace-loving people all over the world will support the goodwill and correct and reasonable policies of Kampuchea and Vietnam and will put pressure to bear on China and Thailand so that favourable conditions be made for these annual withdrawals.

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