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## NHAN DAN ARTICLE HAILS CPNLAF DRY SEASON VICTORIES

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[Text] Hanoi VNA January 29--NHAN DAN today hails the important victories recorded by the Cambodian People's National Liberation Army in this month's continuously offensive actions.

The main Hanoi paper notes: This dry season, the Cambodian patriotic forces have launched concerted attacks from many directions on enemy defences around Phnom Penh, and also on Pochentong Airport and other Lon Nol positions inside the city. In the first fortnight of this month, they put out of action more than 2,500 Lon Nol troops and removed over 150 enemy positions in that sector. The paper says that almost all roads and waterways linking Phnom Penh with the provinces have been interdicted, increasing the isolation of the enemy. The Cambodian People's National Liberation Army has also attacked a series of enemy positions in the provincial capitals of Prey Veng, Svay Rieng, Takeo, Kampot, Kompong Speu, Kompong Chhnang, Kompong Thom and Siem Reap, and in the cities of Sihanoukville and Kompong Cham, inflicting heavy casualties and destroying large quantities of the means of war and liberating many populated areas.

NHAN DAN goes on: Under the violent assaults of the patriotic forces, the Lon Nol army has become more and more demoralized, and their supplies in food, ammunition and fuel are drying up. To save the Lon Nol clique, the Ford administration is feverishly intensifying its intervention, pouring in aircraft from the U.S. and Thailand. Many more American military **advisors** and pacification experts have been sent to Cambodia while U.S. planes are guiding Saigon aircraft in strikes on areas under the control of the Royal Government of National Union of Cambodia. At the same time, Ford is pressing for congressional [appropriation] of additional military aid to the Phnom Penh regime.

Pointing out that the Cambodian people's revolution is developing rapidly and steadily, NHAN DAN says: "The U.S. and its henchmen in Phnom Penh have not yet renounced their scheme of imposing neo-colonialism on Cambodia. However, the U.S. cannot save the Lon Nol regime from total collapse, not for any amount of dollars."

The Vietnamese people are convinced that the Cambodian people, following up their previous victories, will surely win greater successes in their just struggle, the paper says.