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GOVERNMENT ASKS VIET CONG TO WITHDRAW BY 15 MAR

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[Text] Phnom Penh, Cambodia, March 13 (REUTERS)--The Cambodian Government has asked the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam--the Viet Cong--to withdraw its armed forces from Cambodia by dawn Sunday, it was announced here today.

The request was contained in a note from the Cambodian Foreign Ministry to the Viet Cong mission here, published today by the official Cambodian news agency. The agency said a similar note had also been addressed to the North Vietnamese Embassy.

The note, dated yesterday, said, "the Royal Government asks the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam to kindly remove all its armed forces from Cambodian territory at the latest by dawn on Sunday 15 March 1970."

The note expressed sincere regrets for an attack on the Viet Cong mission here March 11, explaining that the demonstrations were due to the exasperation of the Cambodian people with repeated violations of their territory. The note asked that the South Vietnam Revolutionary Government stop "activities against the interests of the Cambodian people."

It said these requests were made in a spirit of continued friendship with socialist Vietnam.

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