

## Declaration of TDC

The national elections in Cambodia of July 29, 2018 took place in a chaotic situation in violation of human rights and the principles of democratic the most fundamental preconized in the Paris Peace Agreement of October 23, 1991. The PPC party with its absolute power has used all means, human, military and financial to force this false election against the wills of Khmer people. Voters are forced against their wills to vote for PPC under threats, intimidation and reprisals which distorts the rate of participation of voter which strangely upwards compared to the last elections of 2013 when the opposition Cnrp was authorized by the party in power to participate with this late.

The various evidences forwarded by Cambodian political experts show that since the 1993, in particularly after the forced departure of UNTAC in 1994, the elections in Cambodia were always false in flagrant violations of human rights and democratic principles the most fundamentals with the active participation of the opposition and with the undeniable support of international community to ensure the power of Hun sen. But the national elections of 29 July 2018 in Cambodia unequivocally indicate that the ruling party holds absolute power that leaves no room for the respect of human rights and respect of the democratic process.

After the Paris peace agreement of October 23, 1991, a silent policy of neo colonization and genocide is organized against the Khmer people. According to reports from economic and social experts such as Mr. Kem Ley, over 80% of Cambodia's population survive around the poverty line while all of Cambodia's wealth and economies are looted and shared between Vietnam and China and a bunch of privileges that are politically and economically powerful people. The massive looting of Cambodia's richness, resources and economies by Vietnam and China to which Khmer people couldn't face, is pushing Cambodia into a dangerous geopolitical conflict that can lead Cambodia to the situation like the cool war of sixty and seventy where millions of Cambodians were tortured and massacred.

CTD welcomes the measures taken by the European Union on September 13, 2018 following the false elections in Cambodia. But beyond these symbolic gestures, CTD urges the signatories of the Paris Agreements to respect the Paris Peace Agreement of 23 October 1991 and to find an adequate solution to put an end to these heinous crimes against innocent civilians in Cambodia. CTD finds the position of France and Germany toward the Hun Sen regime shocking and unfit and contemptible for the model country of democracy and respect for human rights. TRANSITION DEMOCRATIQUE

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