

## **APPEAL**

June 4, 2019 is the 70th Annual Kampuchea Krom Loss Commemoration (04.6.1949 - 04.6.2019), remembering the painful day in Khmer national history on the day colonial France transferred [the Khmer] Cambodian territories known as Kampuchea Krom extremely unfair to colonial Vietnam to continue colonizing her until today. Since then, [this] new colonial Vietnam has used all means and methods to dissolve the Khmer race and Buddhism in a horribly cruel way.

Starting out on that inhumane treatments, the struggle for survival of the Khmer race has also begun by sacrificing flesh and blood and lives to preserve, protect and defend our national identity continually from one generation to another, from one era to another up to today.

To commemorate this bitter history and to express our gratitude and indebtedness to the spirits of the heroic Buddist monks, emperors, kings, heroes, heroines and heroic fallen Khmer patriots for sacrificing their lives for national cause: Motherland Kampuchea [Cambodia] and religion; especially Motherland Kampuchea Krom, the Khmer Kampuchea Krom Civil Society organizations (KKCS) and the Khmer Youth Alliance for Democracy (KYAD) unanimously agreed to hold a Buddhist Offering Ceremony to 1,949 Monks and the 70th Annual Kampuchea Krom Loss Commemoration, a June 4 Khmer National Day.

This year is no different from the previous year. KKCS and KYAD appeal to you, the Venerable Buddhist monks and compatriots, for your supports. Your donation can be the price of lunch for the Buddhist monks, Spring Water, or money according to your charity to help enable our Ceremony Committee to make it possible and organize it successfully every year.

The Khmer Kampuchea Krom Community (KKC) has an honor to inform you, the Venerable Buddhist monks and compatriots, that we all know that this historic event comes from patriotism and the respect for the spirits of the heroic Buddhist monks, emperors, kings, heroes, heroines and bravely fallen Khmer patriots for sacrificing their lives for the national cause so that every Khmer child remembers this painful history and to not let past history on the loss of lands and the tragic tragedy from repeating.

We have high hope on you, the Venerable Buddhist monks and compatriots, to contribute to help the cause so that we are able to organize it successfully as in past year.

Your contribution to support this historic event clearly shows that you truly honor and appreciate the spirit of the heroic Buddhist monks, emperors, kings, heroes, heroines and heroic fallen Khmer patriots and for the Khmer interest by remembering and know their own national history.

This appeal is a courtesy call and invitation to you, the Venerable Buddhist monks, compatriots and the public, to participate in commemorating this great event and to help it succeeded and to attain your own dhamma-merits.

A Royal Highest Representative of Cambodia's King Norodom Sihamoni will preside over the planned ceremony on Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> Waxing Moon of Jettha B.E.2563 equivalent to June 4, A.D.2019 from 7:30AM to 5PM. Morning Program: The Buddhist Offering Ceremony to 1,949 Monks with Buddhist monks transmitting the merits to the ancestors and your loved ones. Afternoon Program: From 1:30PM to 5PM, Forum on the Transfer of the Khmer Kampuchea Krom territories by colonial France on June 4, B.E.2493 A.D.1949 to colonial Vietnam to continue colonizing her until today.

Venue of Ceremony to take place at the Freedom Park (In front of Russey Keo Gas Station), Russey Keo commune, Russey Keo district, Phnom Penh). If there were any changes, we would notify you then.

Phnom Penh, Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> Waxing Moon of Visakha, B.E.2562

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Thank you very much in advance for your charity.

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