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Hello,

Ahead of Cambodia's upcoming sham election on July 29, **Sam Rainsy, the longtime Cambodian opposition leader, Mu Sochua, the Deputy President of the Cambodia National Rescue Party (CNRP), and global democracy experts are available to discuss the high stakes of this election.** With the EU completing a fact-finding mission and threatening to revoke Cambodian exports' tax-free status, along with the U.S. considering sanctions, Cambodia's illegitimate government will face tremendous consequences, which could spell economic disaster for Cambodia, including tariffs, losing major trading partners, and a reduced credit rating.

Over the past year, Prime Minister Hun Sen, who has been in power for more than three decades, has advanced his egregious attacks on democracy and human rights in Cambodia with one goal in mind: to run unopposed in the July election and solidify his rule for years to come. In the lead up to the election, Hun Sen dissolved the CNRP (the only viable opposition party), imprisoned and exiled its leaders, presided over the murders of landowners protesting his illegal grabs of their land, and shut down the largest independent newspaper in the country as well as over a dozen independent radio stations. With the election less than two weeks away, the CNRP has called for a boycott of what will inevitably be a sham election.

Please let me know if you are interested in connecting with leaders of the CNRP.

Best,
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