

Dear Mr. President of ADL in France,
Dear members of the ADL in the world,

Re: report on the situation of the business family *Phomvihane*

Members of the *Kaysone Phomvihane*† family (1955-91 secretary-general of the Communist Party, 1975-91 prime minister) currently have many companies and wealth in secret as they transfer the money to Vietnam so that they, as entrepreneurs from Vietnam, can invest their money. At the moment, their children have more power than normal, they are:

Mr. Saysomphone Acting President of the organization *Neolaosangsath* (similar to City Parliament),
Mr. Sandiphab the Presidential Head of Savannakhet Province.

These relatives can do what they want without having to obey the law because they think they are above the law and the land.

1 You come to Laos with a company called *Unitel*, a telecommunications company. This company is operated since 2009 by the family *Phomvihane* in Ban Phonxay, city Saysettha, capital Vientiane as a large company. The *Phomvihane* family works there internally, as vice-director and various department heads act mainly Vietnamese. In the company you only get a job if you can speak Vietnamese. On February 4, 2018, the new building was ceremoniously opened by the Lao Prime Minister and the Vietnamese Prime Minister, *Mr. Mian Souangfunk*. This means that Vietnam completely governs this area. Thus, this Vietnamese family does not have to pay taxes on their income, unlike the normal vegetable sellers in the marketplace, where the authorities come and collect the taxes. This situation shows that this family enjoys more benefits than the rest of the Laotian population and suppresses them in their fullest form. They do not have to pay taxes and enjoy full immunity.

In addition, they call an island at the foot of Nam Ngeum their property. This island is located in Ngam Ngeum Reservoir, Ban Thalath, Keoudom City, Vientiane Province.

This property is actually owned by the Lao nation, because of this problem, the people of Vientiane Province have sent this message to the ADL, asking the international organizations, why is the family *Phomvihane* each plot in Laos can seize their discretion and not privately owned although it is a treasure of the nation? The property has a length of 15Km and a width of 7Km and was sold to the Chinese by the *Kaysone* family to build a resort in the middle of the lake with a casino. Why does the family just take land as they want and sell it to the Chinese? The population is powerless because they are threatened by the regime with weapons. Anyone who says something is dead; who thinks something that does not suit them is also dead.

Therefore, we appeal to the ADL to solve this problem please and as urgently as possible. Here it is only a small piece of land with which they make land corruption.