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WHERE IS CAMBODIA?
Roots

- 1953– Cambodia gains independence from France after 100 years of colonialist rule
- 1970– Cambodian Prime Minister Norodom Sihanouk ousted by military general, Lon Nol

- Lon Nol led a military coup against Norodom Sihanouk in 1970 and became the self-proclaimed President of the Khmer Republic, ruling until 1975.
Communist Khmer Rouge & allies (North Vietnam, Viet Cong) vs. Cambodian government (supported by South Vietnam & USA)

- After 5 years of war, the Cambodian government was defeated
- 1975 – Khmer Rouge seize power of Lon Nol’s Cambodian government
Roots

KHMER ROUGE

- The Khmer Rouge, led by Pol Pot, adopted an ideology of agrarian socialism (a combination of Stalinism and Maoism)
- The Khmer Rouge desired the isolation of Cambodia in order to carry out a complete social reform

1975
Genocide begins

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Events

- The Khmer Rouge began their terror by persecuting the educated doctors, lawyers, military police.
- Christians, Buddhists and Muslims were targeted as well.

STATS

- Estimates of the total number of deaths resulting from Khmer Rouge policies, including disease and starvation, range from 1.7 to 2.5 million out of a 1975 population of roughly 8 million.