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FROM CAMBODIAN REFUGEE TO U.S. DIPLOMAT AND AUTHOR, SICHAN SIV SPEAKS UPON THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FALL OF CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM

Ann Arbor, Mich... When Vietnam and Cambodia fell 35 years ago this spring, speaker Sichan Siv endured the Khmer Rouge slave labor camps, escaped, resettled in the U.S. as a refugee, and eventually became a senior U.S. diplomat to the United Nations with the rank of ambassador. His 2008 memoir *Golden Bones* is "gripping...always compelling."



Join the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library on Monday, March 29, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. as Ambassador Siv tells of his amazing journey from certain death halfway around the world in Cambodia, to the corridors of power in Washington, D.C. Books will be on sale and a book signing and reception will follow the talk. Open seating. Free.

Sichan Siv was nominated by President Bush in 2001 and unanimously confirmed by the Senate as United States Representative to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, serving until 2006. In June 2005, Ambassador Siv addressed the 60th anniversary of the U.N. in San Francisco. From 1989 to 1993, Ambassador Siv served as Deputy Assistant to the President at the White House, and as Deputy Assistant Secretary at the State Department.

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The Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library is open 8:45 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. Monday-Friday and is closed on Federal Holidays. The Ford Library is located at 1000 Beal Avenue on the North Campus of the University of Michigan. Admission and Parking are free. For information please call (734) 205-0555 or visit us on the web at www.fordlibrarymuseum.gov.

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