Pich Em

**Background:**

Pich Em was a technician (and also an announcer according to some reports) at state owned VK’s provincial affiliate station in Sihanoukville.

Some days before his death, the station had been asked by a senior provincial policeman to broadcast a political speech by a FUNCINPEC leader. The station refused.

**Details of Incident:**

Pich Em was killed on the 4th of May, 1997 during an attack on the TVK station in Sihanoukville. Seven masked men reportedly used AK-47s and at least two B-40 rockets to storm the building. Pich Em was shot twice in the stomach and died the following day in the hospital. Two other people were injured in the attack and most of the equipment of the station was destroyed.

**Aftermath:**

No-one has been arrested in connection with the incident.

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