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Press Briefing – Update on the implementation of the immediate and unconditional ceasefire agreement between Cambodia and Thailand

11:00 AM, August 8, 2025

Keynote Address by H.E. Chum Sounry, Spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MoFAIC):

1. The global reaction to the outcomes of the extraordinary Cambodia–Thailand General Border Committee meeting, held on 7 August 2025 in Kuala Lumpur. The response from the international community has been overwhelmingly positive. Regional states and ASEAN institutions have lauded the agreement and the proposed monitoring mechanisms as important steps toward peaceful de-escalation.

2. International media and diplomats expressed optimism and strong interest in the outcomes of the meeting. Media coverage emphasised the significance of this agreement in defusing the conflict. However, reports also noted that while meaningful progress was achieved, certain concerns—particularly regarding the fate of the 18 Cambodian soldiers currently under Thai control—remain unresolved.

3. Key reactions from Malaysia, the United States, and China:

a. Malaysia, the General Border Committee meeting in Kuala Lumpur was held in a constructive and positive atmosphere resulting in a 13-point agreement. Malaysia also coordinated the interim observer team, part of ASEAN effort to monitor the ceasefire.

b. The United States described the outcomes of the General Border Committee meeting as an important milestone, emphasizing that the ultimate goal remains achieving a durable and sustainable ceasefire. The strong presence of the United States at the meeting underscored Washington's continued engagement and support for ASEAN-led mediation efforts.

c. China also welcomed the meeting. A spokesperson for the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs expressed support for the outcomes of the General Border Committee and the mechanisms being put in place to sustain the ceasefire. He affirmed that China would continue supporting ASEAN-led peace process and play a constructive role in the restoration of Cambodia-Thailand relations.

4. Information concerning the International Committee of Red Cross (ICRC) visit to Cambodian soldiers:

a. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation has been closely monitoring the situation of the 18 Cambodian military personnel currently under the control of the Thai military.

b. The Ministry takes positive note of the recent visit by the International Committee of the Red Cross to these 18 Cambodian soldiers. Cambodia welcomes Thailand's facilitation of private interviews and physical check-ups conducted by the ICRC, as reported in the press release issued by the Thailand Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 7 August 2025. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation expresses its appreciation for the ICRC's visit, which has helped ensure that the basic rights and dignity of the 18 Cambodian soldiers are respected in accordance with the 1949 Geneva Conventions.

c. Cambodia considers this an important step toward greater transparency and adherence to international humanitarian law. However, Cambodia maintains a cautious stance, emphasising that the continued detention of the 18 Cambodian soldiers—captured during an agreed ceasefire—raises serious legal and ethical concerns. Referring to Thailand's statement that the soldiers will be released and repatriated without delay after the end of hostilities, as stated in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs press release, Cambodia reiterates its call for their immediate and unconditional repatriation.

5. Cambodia urges Thailand to prioritize good-faith dialogue and de-escalation, in the spirit of peace and regional cooperation.



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Intervention by H.E. Pen Bona, Royal Government Spokesperson:

Cambodia's Commitment to Peace and Respect for International Law Gains Global Support

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As we all know, our leaders, Samdech Techo Hun Sen, President of the Senate, and Samdech Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister, have always placed the highest value on peace, as it is the foundation for the country's development and the source of happiness for its people. As a result:

1. Cambodia strongly supports and steadfastly upholds the ceasefire agreement between Cambodia and Thailand, reached on 28 July 2025 under the initiative of His Excellency Donald Trump, President of the United States of America, and the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Chair of ASEAN, acting as facilitator, and with the active participation of the People's Republic of China. 2. Cambodia has consistently upheld the ceasefire agreement and is actively pushing forward the implementation of the outcomes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Cambodia–Thailand General Border Committee (GBC), held in Kuala Lumpur on 7 August 2025 with the participation of the ASEAN Interim Observer Team, pending the establishment of the ASEAN Observer Group.

3. Why does our Cambodian leader choose a peaceful approach? Because our leader understands the consequences of war and the value of peace. For this reason, Cambodia is committed to avoiding conflict and prioritizing the preservation of peace—a stance that has garnered strong support from the international community. This peaceful approach benefits not only the people and nation of Cambodia but also brings tremendous advantages to the people and nation of Thailand.



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Cambodia expresses its deep disappointment and strong objection to the inflammatory and misleading remarks made by a Thai military source publicly circulated on social media on 7 August 2025. The post in question, which responsibly accuses Cambodia of engaging in so-called deceptive warfare, is not only unfounded but also counterproductive to ongoing efforts toward peace, dialogue, and stability. Cambodia categorically rejects these baseless accusations, which falsely portray Cambodia's commitment to peace, transparency, and respect of international law as acts of manipulation.

As far as the accusation against Cambodia's diplomacy is concerned, I wish to emphasize that Cambodia has demonstrated a consistent and sincere commitment to peaceful dialogue, as evidenced by its active participation in the General Border Committee mechanism and close coordination with international partners. Accusing Cambodia of negotiating in bad faith is not only unjustified but also undermines the spirit of cooperation. Cambodia calls upon the Thai authorities to exercise restraint and professionalism in their public communication and to refrain from issuing unsubstantiated statements that threaten the fragile peace and bilateral relations. Cambodia reaffirms its unwavering commitment to resolving all outstanding issues through peaceful means based on mutual respect, international law, and the principles of ASEAN.



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Keynote Address by H.E. LTG. Maly Socheata, the Ministry of National Defense Spokesperson:

I would like to provide some updates following the entered into force of the ceasefire between the Cambodian and Thai Armed Forces on July 28, 2025, and after the extraordinary meeting of GBC was concluded on August 7, 2025. As the public, along with national and international journalists, are aware, the extraordinary meeting of the

Cambodia-Thailand General Border Committee (GBC) was successfully held on August 7, 2025, in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

The meeting was led by His Excellency General Tea Seiha, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Defense of the Kingdom of Cambodia, accompanied by several high-ranking military delegates. Following the conclusion of the meeting, which achieved a satisfactory result in line with Cambodia's objectives, His Excellency General Tea Seihaheld the press conference immediately after the meeting to share the key outcomes. In this regard, I would like to highlight several important points for your kind information.

The delegation of Cambodia attended the extraordinary GBC with two major goals. First, we are here for a detailed ceasefire agreement to stop bloodshed and the suffering by soldiers and civilians of both sides and uphold the purpose of the principles of the United Nations Charter and the ASEAN Charter, underlining peaceful resolution of disputes, mutual respect, the primacy of dialogue, and renunciation of the threat or use of force. Second, we are here for the establishment of a credible, impartial, and effective monitoring mechanism for the truth. These steps are life-saving measures and lay the groundwork for restoring confidence, trust, and normalcy between our two countries. Third, both sides agree to comply with international humanitarian law in the treatment of captured soldiers, including their living conditions, shelter, food, and medical care in case of injury. If one side wishes to bring in its own wounded soldiers or civilians who are not under the control of the other side for medical treatment, the receiving side may determine its response based on the capacity of its medical facility, including available equipment, personnel, or medical ethics, on a case-by-case basis.

Captured soldiers should be immediately released and repatriated after the cessation of active hostility in accordance with Article 118 of the Third Geneva Convention of 1949 and Rule 128A of the Customary International Humanitarian Law. Both sides agree to exchange information and facilitate the dignified and timely return of these individuals at an agreed location in full respect of humanitarian principles and jurisdictions without crossing the border. In this spirit, Cambodia hopes that Thailand will immediately release and return the 18 captured Cambodian soldiers, reflecting the growing appeal from partner countries and international organizations.

The Ministry of National Defense and the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces, together with the international community, will continue to call on Thailand to fulfil its obligations under international law. We reaffirm our unwavering commitment to ensuring that none of our soldiers are ever left behind or forgotten. Cambodia remains firmly committed to respecting and implementing with determination and integrity its obligations as a responsible and law-abiding member of the international community to ensure the effective and full implementation of the ceasefire and the peaceful resolution of all disputes in accordance with international law and the ASEAN Charter.