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

7:00AM, August 9, 2025

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

This morning 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 the GBC was concluded on August 7, 2025. Starting

from midnight [00:01AM] on 9 August 2025 up to 6:00 AM this morning, the situation at the front line along the Preah Vihear and Oddar Meanchey Provinces remained calm and steady. Cambodian military forces stand strong and full of vigilance in fully fulfilling their duty.

To strictly implement the agreement of the extraordinary Cambodian-Thai General Border Committee meeting held on August 7, 2025, in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, the Interim Observer Team (IOT) led by Colonel Nazlee Abdul Rahim, Malaysian Defense Attaché to the Kingdom of Cambodia and head of the IOT, inspected on the morning of August 8, 2025, the headquarters of the ASEAN Observer Team (AOT) along with several other locations serving the team in OddarMeanchey Province. The IOT is now carrying out their inspection mission on the implementation of the ceasefire on the ground.

The Interim Observer Team (IOT) consists of representatives from seven countries, headed by the Defense Attaché of Malaysia, as well as those of Indonesia, Laos, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, and Vietnam. This action followed the outcome of the special meeting on 28 July 2025 in Malaysia and the extraordinary meeting of the Cambodia-Thailand General Boundary Committee (GBC) on 7 August 2025 in Kuala Lumpur, which led to the agreement on the ceasefire. The participation of these partner countries reflects the shared desire to mark the ceasefire as successful and lasting, with the goal of bringing peace, stability, cooperation, and development to the people of both countries.

On the afternoon of August 8, 2025, H.E. Lieutenant General Rath Dararith, Secretary of State, Ministry of National Defense, met with H.E. Lloyd Gillett, Regional Armed Forces Delegate of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), for a courtesy call and discussion. During the meeting, Excellency Lloyd Gillette also shared information regarding a humanitarian visit to check on the 18 soldiers of the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces who were unlawfully detained by the Thai side after the official ceasefire. According to the ICRC's visit, it was learnt that all 18 Cambodian soldiers currently being housed by the Thai side are safe and in good health.

In this spirit, Cambodia hopes that Thailand will immediately release and return the 18 captured Cambodian soldiers, reflecting the growing appeals from partner countries and international organisations. 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 ensure that none of our soldiers are ever left behind and forgotten.

Thank you.



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

Samdech Techno Hun Sen, President of the Senate of the Kingdom of Cambodia, posted on his Facebook yesterday night, drawing attention to the Cambodian-Thai border conflict that has shifted from using weapons to using war-bearing and metal pellets. Allow me to read the message of Samdech Techno Hun Sen as follows:

In truth, I did not wish to speak about this issue. However, remaining silent may lead the Thai leadership to remain unaware and the international community to misunderstand the situation. The Cambodian-Thailand border conflict has shifted from a war using weapons to one involving a slingshot loaded with war-bearing metal pellets. At first glance, this may seem like a trivial or even humorous matter, but upon deeper examination, it is a serious issue.

If we do not intervene, it will escalate from slingshots to the use of all kinds of weapons, ultimately destroying the ceasefire agreement, painstakingly reached by the Cambodian and Thai leadership with active mediation by the Prime Ministers of Malaysia and participation from China and the United States. As for Cambodia, if such actions are taking place, I urge the Royal Government to issue immediate orders to military forces to halt their use. I also hope the Thai leadership will issue similar orders to their military to cease the use of weapons as reflected in the attached image.



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11:00 AM, August 9, 2025

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

Cambodian government spokesman calls on Thailand to respect the ceasefire agreement and stop slandering Cambodia.

During the implementation of the ceasefire agreement that came into effect at midnight on July 28, 2025, Cambodia, as a peace-loving nation, has consistently maintained silence with utmost patience. However, since the coming into effect of the ceasefire, especially the recent successful outcomes of the GBC Extraordinary Meeting that achieved the 13-point agreements, we have ascertained that much incessant false and untrue information has gone viral from the Thai side during the implementation of this ceasefire.

The Royal Government Spokesperson takes note that all this false information is baseless and useless because not only do the Cambodian people and the international community as a whole do not believe it, but also even among the Thai people themselves are skeptical about the information released by their government and army.

Therefore, the spokesperson of the Royal Government of Cambodia calls on the Thai side to show goodwill and commitment to honor the ceasefire agreement in good faith so as to maintain peace between both countries, which is beneficial to both peoples, Khmer and Thai.



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11:00AM, August 9, 2025

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

Today, I would like to update you on the situation after the ceasefire between the Cambodian and Thai militaries came into effect at midnight on July 28, 2025, and after

the extraordinary meeting of the Cambodian-Thai General Border Committee (GBC), as of August 9, 2025:

Frontline Situation From 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM on August 9, 2025, this morning. The frontline situation along the border of Preah Vihear and Oddar Meanchey provinces has been calm. Our forces are on high alert and steadfastly fulfilling their roles.

The positive outcome of the extraordinary meeting of the Cambodian-Thai General Border Committee (GBC) reflects the mutual determination of both sides to work together to promote lasting peace, stability, cooperation, and development for the mutual benefit of both countries. Therefore, the next most important step for both sides is to show their will, commitment, and respect and implement honestly, truly, and practically what has been agreed upon.

Today, I would like to reiterate one point among the agreements reached at the Extraordinary Meeting of the General Border Affairs Committee on 7 August 2025 in Kuala Lumpur:

“Both sides agreed to refrain from disseminating false information and fake news in order to de-escalate tensions, mitigate negative public sentiment, and foster an environment conducive to peaceful dialogue.”

Cambodia absolutely does not support the dissemination of false information or sharing or producing any fake news, as such actions not only do not help ease the tension and

reduce negative impacts on public sentiment but also do not create an environment conducive to further peaceful dialogue.

Cambodia would like to reiterate its unwavering commitment to respecting and strictly implementing all the terms of the ceasefire agreement, as well as the spirit and content reached at the Extraordinary Meeting of the General Border Affairs Committee on 7 August 2025.

Cambodia's commitment to work constructively, in good faith, and in close cooperation with Thailand, Malaysia, other ASEAN member countries, and all relevant partners to ensure the effective and full implementation of the ceasefire and to resolve all disputes peacefully in accordance with international law, the UN Charter, and the ASEAN Charter.



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4:00 PM, August 9, 2025

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

The recent General Border Committee (GBC) meeting in Kuala Lumpur, which produced a 13-point agreement between Cambodia and Thailand, drew broad praise from the regional and international community.

ASEAN partners and key global stakeholders welcomed the accord as a vital step toward de-escalation and stability along the border. Malaysia is coordinating the Interim Observer Teams, part of ASEAN efforts to monitor the ceasefire. Indonesia and Singapore voiced support of the agreement and stressed the importance of faithful implementation.

The United States welcomed the GBC meeting as a constructive first step toward solidifying the ceasefire and reinforcing regional stability. Secretary of State Marco Rubio—alongside supportive remarks from President Donald Trump—emphasized expectations that both Cambodia and Thailand would fully honor their commitments under the agreement. The U.S. reaffirmed its support for ASEAN-led mechanisms and underscored its continued engagement.

China welcomed the mechanisms being established to sustain the ceasefire and affirmed that China would continue supporting ASEAN-led dialogue and political settlement. China pledged to remain constructively engaged in helping both nations resolve their border dispute.

Japan warmly welcomed the agreement on implementing the ceasefire reached at the GBC meeting in Kuala Lumpur. The Japanese foreign minister emphasized that a stable relationship between Cambodia and Thailand is critical for regional security and development. He reiterated Japan's commitment to supporting the steady implementation of the ceasefire.

Australia, through Foreign Minister Penny Wong and its embassy, expressed strong support for the agreement, underlining its endorsement for the establishment of an ASEAN-led monitoring mechanism to implement the ceasefire. Australia called for both Cambodia and Thailand to respect the ceasefire, exercise restraint, and resolve disputes peacefully in line with the UN Charter, the ASEAN Charter, and the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia.

The international media coverage framed the 13-point deal as a breakthrough and called for credible action from both sides. Observers stressed that faithful and timely implementation will be the key test. The global applause for the Kuala Lumpur agreement comes with an implicit warning that this fragile truce can last and become a durable peace through concrete steps by the two countries.



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This afternoon I would like to update you on the situation after the ceasefire between the Cambodian and Thai military came into effect at midnight on July 28, 2025. And after an extraordinary meeting of the Cambodia-Thai General Border Committee (GBC), as of August 9, 2025.

The positive outcome of the extraordinary meeting of the Cambodia-Thai General Border Committee, GBC, reflects the mutual determination of both sides to work together to promote lasting peace, stability, cooperation, and development for the mutual benefit of both countries. Therefore, the next most important step for both sides is to show their will, commitment, and respect and implement honestly, truly, and practically what has been agreed upon.

In this briefing session, I would like to reiterate one point among the agreements reached at the extraordinary meeting of the GBC on 7 August 2025 in Kuala Lumpur.

In this spirit, both sides agree as follows:

a. Both sides agree to a ceasefire involving all types of weapons, including attacks on civilians and civilian objects and military objectives of either side, in all cases and all areas. Both sides must avoid unprovoked firing towards the other side's positions or troops. This agreement must not be violated under any circumstances.

b. Both sides agree to maintain current troop deployments without further movement as it is at the time ceasefire reached at 24:00 hours (local time) on 28 July 2025. There shall be no troop movements including patrol towards the other side's position.

c. Both sides agree not to increase forces along the entire Cambodia-Thailand border. Any reinforcement would heighten tensions and negatively affect long-term efforts to resolve the situation.

d. Both sides agree not to undertake provocative actions that may escalate tensions. This includes military activities to enter the other side's air space and territory or positions as of ceasefire from 24:00 hours (local time) on 28 July 2025. Both sides agree to refrain from constructing or enhancing any military infrastructure or fortifications beyond their own side.

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.

Starting from 29 July 2025 at 7.50 a.m., immediately after the ceasefire entered into force, Cambodian military personnel were unlawfully captured by Thai soldiers. As of now, there have been 11 days, 8 hours, and 10 minutes, counting precisely as of 4 p.m. on 9 August 2025. Cambodia has repeatedly urged Thailand to promptly return all 18 military personnel back to Cambodia in accordance with international humanitarian laws and in response to the urgent appeal from various partner countries and international organizations.

The Ministry of National Defense and the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces and the international community will continue to urge Thailand to fulfil its obligations under international law. We are committed to ensuring that no military personnel are left

behind or abandoned. Our stance remains firm in advocating for an immediate release and safe return of our detained personnel, emphasizing adherence to legal and humanitarian standards.

Cambodia would like to reiterate its unwavering commitment to respecting and strictly implementing all the terms of the ceasefire agreement, as well as the spirit and content reached at the extraordinary meeting of the General Border Committee on 7 August 2025.



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4:00PM, August 9, 2025

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

Good afternoon, members of the Press:

I would like to reaffirm once again the unwavering commitment of the Royal Government of Cambodia regarding the implementation of the Ceasefire Agreement by avoiding at all costs any provocative acts.

Since the ceasefire agreement came into effect at midnight on July 28, 2025, Cambodia has been strictly implementing this agreement. I would also like to stress that this ceasefire agreement was reached under the initiative of His Excellency Donald Trump, President of the United States of America, with Malaysia as host, and with the active participation of the People's Republic of China.

Then, we had a positive 13-point outcome from the extraordinary meeting of the General Border Committee (GBC) on August 7, 2025, in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Cambodia has also been firmly implementing those agreed points, including organizing a mission of the Interim Observer Team to the border area to witness them.

The strict implementation of this ceasefire is aimed at avoiding deaths and injuries to both armed forces and civilians, and at avoiding other damages to both countries caused by armed clashes. This is the greatest goal of our leaders who are the ones that put an end to the war, achieve peace, and safeguard peace forever.