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

7:00 AM, August 14, 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, as of today.

First, starting from midnight of 14 August 2025 up to 6:00AM this morning, the situation at the frontline military regions 4 and 5, Preah Vihear, Oddar Meanchey, and Banteay Meanchey provinces, remained calm and steady. Cambodian military forces stand strong and fully vigilant in fulfilling their duty.

The Cambodian Armed Forces firmly respect and strictly implement the ceasefire reached on 28 July 2025 as well as the 13-point agreed minutes adopted at the extraordinary meeting of the Cambodia-Thailand General Border Committee (GBC) on 7 August 2025, under the observation of Malaysia, the United States of America, and the People's Republic of China.

Second, on the third day, 14 August 2025, the Ministry of National Defence of the Kingdom of Cambodia has coordinated the Interim Observer Team (IOT), led by Colonel Nazlee Bin Abdul Rahim, the Defence Attaché of Malaysia to Cambodia, comprising representatives from six countries, Brunei, Indonesia, Laos, Myanmar, the Philippines, and Vietnam, both residents and non-residents, with a total of seven members, departing for various actual sites in order to observe firsthand the border security situation that is directly impacted by the Cambodia-Thailand border conflict as follows:

1. Battambang province, military region 5.

2. Banteay Meanchey province, Poi Pet international border checkpoint, Ou Beichoan border checkpoint, Choukchey village and Boeung Trakoun border checkpoint.

3. Preah Vihear province, An Ses border checkpoint.

It was noted that this mission stemmed from the outcome of the special meeting held on July 28, 2025, in Putrajaya, Malaysia, and the extraordinary meeting of the Cambodia-Thailand General Border Committee was concluded on 7 August 2025, which reaffirmed the importance of the IOT deployment.

Cambodia reaffirmed its firm and unequivocal commitment to fully respect and strictly implement the ceasefire reached on 28 July 2025, as well as the 13-point agreed minutes adopted at the extraordinary meeting of the Cambodia-Thailand General Border Committee (GBC), on 7 August 2025, under observation of Malaysia, the United States of America, and the People's Republic of China.

Once again, Cambodia called on Thailand to uphold the spirit of the ceasefire in order to achieve a peaceful resolution to the issue in accordance with the principles of international law, ensuring a just, impartial, and fair outcome that will bring peace and prosperity to both nations and peoples.

Third, Cambodia continued to urge the Thai side to fully implement the above agreement and to return the 18 military personnel to Cambodia so they may reunite with their families who have been waiting day and night. It is important to emphasize

that these Cambodian soldiers were illegally arrested by Thai forces on the morning of 29 July 2025, immediately after the ceasefire came into effect, and have now been held in custody for 15 days, 23 hours and 10 minutes as of 14 August 2025. I would like also to take this opportunity to express gratitude to the many partner countries and international organizations that have repeatedly called on the Thai side to release our 18 military personnel without delay.

Full implementation of the ceasefire by both sides will create a favorable atmosphere for restoring peace, stability, and normalcy to the relationship between our two countries.

This is something that not only our two peoples desire but the whole world wishes to see, as demonstrated by the many messages of congratulations and support for the ceasefire agreement and the positive outcomes of the Cambodia-Thailand General Border Committee Extraordinary Meeting.

Cambodia is committed to working constructively, sincerely, and in close cooperation with Thailand, Malaysia, other ASEAN member countries, and all relevant partners such as the United States of America and the People's Republic of China to ensure the effective and full implementation of the ceasefire and to resolve all disputes peacefully and in accordance with international law, the UN Charter, and the ASEAN Charter.

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

7:00 AM, August 14, 2025

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

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia categorically dismissed repeated Thai accusations of new mine planting

against Cambodia, made in the press statement issued by the Thai Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 10 and 12 August 2025.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation underscored the following key points in its statement dated 13 August 2025:

1. No new mines:

Cambodia has never planted new anti-personnel mines. As a state party to the Ottawa Convention since 1999, Cambodia is internationally recognized for its mine clearance achievements at home and abroad. The allegation of new mine planting is without credible evidence.

2. Location and sovereignty:

The mine incidents occurred either in disputed areas or within Cambodia's internationally recognized territory, as defined by the 1904 Convention and 1907 Treaty and confirmed by the International Court of Justice's 1962 and 2013 decisions. The 2000 MoU prohibits unilateral military action in un-demarcated areas. Yet, Thailand has repeatedly breached this obligation.

3. The cause of incidents:

These incidents happened because Thai troops entered known mine-affected zones in violation of the 7 August 2025 General Border Committee Agreed Minutes, which prohibit troop movements beyond current positions. Mines in these areas date from Cambodia's internal conflicts in the 1970s-1980s.

4. A provocative statement:

Cambodia condemned the 10 August 2025 remarks by Thailand's 2nd Army Region Commander, vowing to reclaim Ta Krabai Temple and close Ta Moan Temple. Such threats violated the UN Charter, the ASEAN Charter, and the 28 July 2025 ceasefire agreement.

5. Peaceful resolution:

Cambodia remains committed to resolving all boundary disputes peacefully, in accordance with international law and International Court of Justice jurisprudence. No border may be altered through force or the threat of force.

6. Call for a monitoring mechanism:

Cambodia urges Malaysia, as the current ASEAN Chair, and ceasefire co-facilitators to quickly establish a robust, impartial monitoring mechanism to prevent escalation and protect civilians and soldiers. The International Court of Justice remains the most credible forum for final settlement, and Cambodia calls on Thailand to accept its jurisdiction in good faith.

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

Before concluding today's press briefing, as the Spokesperson of the Royal Government of Cambodia, I'd like to draw the attention of my fellow Cambodian citizens and the international community to the following event:

Thailand is using the landmine explosion as an issue to blame Cambodia and portray itself as the victim to mislead the international community, even though it was the Thai military forces violating the ceasefire agreement by moving forces into areas with landmines left over from the war. They also were the ones laying tires, installing barbed wire, and mobilizing weapons, etc., during the implementation of the Ceasefire. These are irrefutable proofs.

To emphasize these matters, once again, I would like to highlight the 2 very vital points among the 13 points of the Agreed Minutes resulting from the extraordinary meeting of the Cambodia-Thailand General Border Committee (GBC) held on August 7, 2025, in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, as follows:

Point 2 stated that 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.

And point 4 stated that 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. Both sides agree to refrain from constructing or enhancing any military infrastructure or fortifications beyond their own side.

As mentioned above, it can be indicated that the landmine incidents would not have happened if the Thai side had fully respected and implemented the ceasefire agreement by maintaining their current troop deployments without further movement, as it was at the time the ceasefire entered into force at midnight on 28 July 2025.

In this sense, Cambodia once again calls on Thailand to strictly respect and implement with good faith the spirit of the ceasefire, and demand that Thailand immediately stop using the landmine incidents to deceive the international community in order to mask its violation of the Ceasefire Agreement.

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4:00 PM, August 14, 2025

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

For the sake of truth, I wish to correct the misleading narrative that an official Ottawa Convention Meeting of States Parties will be held in Bangkok on 15 August 2025, and to set the record straight by outlining certain key misrepresentations versus facts as follows:

Misrepresentation 1: An official Ottawa Convention Meeting of States Parties will take place in Bangkok on 15 August 2025.

FACT: The fact is that the Ottawa Convention (Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention) holds its formal Meetings of States Parties once a year, under the coordination of the current presidency. The next official Meeting of States Parties will take place in Geneva from 1 to 5 December 2025, under the chairmanship of Japan. The Bangkok event on 15 Aug 2025 is a Thai-organized diplomatic briefing—not part of the Ottawa Convention’s formal process. Misrepresentation 2: Participation by Ottawa Convention member states in Bangkok shows consensus against Cambodia.

FACT: The fact is that attendance is by Thai invitation only and does not imply endorsement of any allegations. States often attend briefings to listen, not to take sides. The Ottawa Convention operates on a humanitarian, non-politicized basis.

Misrepresentation 3: The Ottawa Convention Secretariat is involved in organizing the Bangkok event.

FACT: The fact is that the Convention Secretariat has no role in this event. The Secretariat’s functions are tied to official meetings and treaty implementation—not unilateral political briefings.

Misrepresentation 4: Cambodia refuses to cooperate on mine action issues.

FACT: The fact is that Cambodia is a committed state party to the Ottawa Convention and complies fully with its obligations. Cambodia supports fact-based investigations and bilateral/ASEAN cooperation to address mine action concerns. Cambodia rejects politicized processes that risk undermining the Convention’s neutrality.

Cambodia's Position: I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate Cambodia's position as follows:

- Cambodia categorically rejects the baseless claim that it has planted new landmines along the border.

- Cambodia reaffirms full compliance with its obligations under the Ottawa Convention and International Humanitarian Law.

- Cambodia remains committed to addressing mine action concerns through credible, fact-based investigation and through established bilateral and ASEAN mechanisms.

- We call on Thailand not to politicize the Ottawa Convention for bilateral disputes. Cambodia stands ready for genuine, impartial cooperation on mine's action.



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