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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 26, 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 coming 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:

1. Starting from 24:00 midnight on 26 August 2025 up to 6:00 AM this Morning, the situation at the frontline, Military Region 4, Preah Vihear and Oddar Meanchey Provinces remains calm and steady under the control of our military forces. Cambodian military forces stand strong and remain fully vigilant in defending the country, sovereignty, and territorial integrity. 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.

2. Concern the act of laying barbed wire fence carried out by the Thai military force on August 25, 2025, at 2.20 PM in Chok Chey Village, Ou Beichoan Commune, Ou Chrov District, Banteay Meanchey Province, which is located opposite Nong Chan Village, Khok Sung District, Sa Kaeo Province, Thailand; then at 3.15 PM the Thai force again attempted to restore the barbed wire. However, they were strongly resisted by the Cambodian landowners and other local residents until the Thai force took back their barbed wire.

I wish to emphasize that from 9 August 2025 until the morning of 26 August 2025, the landowners and other local people who have stood united in the response to the above-mentioned acts by the Thai military force are merely motivated by their deep concern over the Thai military barbed wire fencing and by their determination to protect what they regard as their legitimate property. Their actions stem solely from their love for their motherland and their desire to safeguard their legal possessions. During the above incident, our Cambodian force and other relevant competent authorities, all unarmed

and stationed in the area, were also present to ensure the safety of our Cambodian citizens. Both our force and the authorities have carried out their duties with professionalism and high responsibility.

Furthermore, our force has strictly adhered to the ceasefire terms agreed upon in the special meeting between the Prime Minister of Cambodia and Thailand held on 28 July 2025, an initiative proposed by the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, as well as the Extraordinary Meeting of the General Border Committee (GBC) concluded on 7 August 2025 in Malaysia, and I wish to emphasize that Cambodia has remained firmly committed to resolving the issue peacefully, avoiding the escalation of tensions and renewed military confrontation.

In this regard, Cambodia urged the Thai side to fully and consistently respect the ceasefire, particularly the spirit of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Regional Border Committee (RBC) between Cambodia Military Region 5 and Thai 1st Army Area held on 22 August 2025, which reaffirmed commitment to refrain from expanding the dispute area and to avoid any actions that could escalate tensions. Cambodia wishes to reiterate that all disputes related to the border issue must be resolved through the Joint Boundary Committee (JBC) of both countries, in line with the spirit of the 2000 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU 2000).

3. On 25 August 2025, at 3.47 PM at the Choam Sa-ngam International Border Checkpoint, the Secretariat Team of the Cambodia-Thailand Regional Border Committee (RBC), led on the Cambodian side by Brigadier General Nith Narong, Head of the

Secretariat Team of Military Region 4 of Cambodia, held a working discussion with the Secretariat Team of Military

Region 2 of Thailand, led by Colonel Yuthasat Senthachai, Deputy Commander of Military Region 2. Both sides discussed the exchange of agreed minutes and inspected the preparation for the upcoming meeting of the Secretariat Team of the Cambodia-Thailand Regional Border Committee (RBC) between Military Region 4 of Cambodia and Military Region 2 of Thailand, scheduled on 26 August 2025, as well as for the RBC meeting to be held on 27 August 2025. In the morning of 26 August 2025, the Secretariat Meeting of the Cambodia-Thailand Border Committee (RBC) will be held between Cambodia Military Region 4 and Thailand Military Region 2. The meeting will be led by Brigadier General Nith Narong, Head of the Cambodian Delegation, and Colonel Yuthasat Senthachai, Head of the Thai Delegation. The meeting will proceed in accordance with the agenda agreed upon by both parties.

4. On Tuesday morning, 26 August 2025, the Ministry of National Defense of the Kingdom of Cambodia, in coordination with the Interim Observer Team (IOT), comprised of five countries, Malaysia, Indonesia, Laos PDR, the Philippines, and Vietnam, under the leadership of Colonel Nazlee Bin Abdul Rahim, Defence Attaché of Malaysia to the Kingdom of Cambodia, is conducting an official visit to Banteay Meanchey Province in order to observe, verify, and report on the updated situation in Banteay Meanchey Province.

5. At the same time, Cambodia continues to call on the Thai side to implement the above agreements and return 18 of our military personnel to Cambodia so they can reunite with their families, who have been waiting day and night for their return. It is also important to note that Thai soldiers illegally captured these Cambodian military

soldiers immediately right after the ceasefire took effect on the morning of 29 July 2025; as of 7:00 AM on 26 August 2025, their detention has lasted 27 days, 23 hours, and 10 minutes.

The Ministry of National Defense, the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces, and the International Community will continually demand that Thailand uphold its obligations under international law, and we wish to underscore that we will never abandon or leave any one of our family members behind.

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 not only something that our two side's people aspire, but also it is the wishing of the whole world as clearly proven by the many messages of congratulations and support for the ceasefire agreement and the positive outcome 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, as well as all relevant partners, such as the United States of America and the People's Republic of China, so as 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. The Royal Government, the Armed Forces, and the people of Cambodia stand firmly united and resolutely determined to defend our territorial integrity, national sovereignty, and dignity.

Thank you.



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4:00 PM, August 26, 2025

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This afternoon I would like to provide some updates following the coming 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:

1. Starting from 6:00 AM on 26 August 2025 up to 3:00 PM this Afternoon, the situation at the frontline, Military Region 4, Preah Vihear and Oddar Meanchey Provinces remains calm and steady under the control of our military forces.

Military Region 5, Banteay Meanchey Province, I wish to inform that concern the Thai military force attempted to reinstall the barbed wire starting from August 25, 2025, at 2.20 PM in Chok Chey Village, Ou Beichoan Commune, Ou Chrov District, up to today. On August 26, 2025, the landowners and the other local people have stood united in response to the above-mentioned action by the Thai military forces. Such response is merely motivated by their deep concerns over the Thai military's barbed wire fencing and by their determination to protect what they regard as their legitimate property. The action stems solely from their love for their motherland and their desire for safeguarding their legal possessions.

During the above incident, our Cambodian forces and other relevant competent authorities, all unarmed and stationed in the area, were also present to ensure the safety of our Cambodian citizens. Both our force and authorities have carried out their duties with professionalism and high responsibility.

Furthermore, our force has strictly adhered to the ceasefire terms agreed upon in the special meeting between the Prime Minister of Cambodia and Thailand held on 28 July 2025, an initiative proposed by the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, as well as the Extraordinary Meeting of the General Border Committee (GBC) concluded on 7 August 2025 in Malaysia, and I wish to emphasize that Cambodia has remained

firmly committed to resolving the issue peacefully, avoiding the escalation of tensions and renewed military confrontation.

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Cambodia wishes to reiterate that all disputes related to the border issue must be resolved through the Joint Boundary Committee (JBC) of both countries, in line with the spirit of the 2000 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU 2000).

2. I would like to inform that the Ministry of National Defense of the Kingdom of Cambodia has facilitated another site visit in coordination with the Interim Observer Team (IOT) comprised of five countries – Malaysia, Indonesia, Laos PDR, the Philippines, and Vietnam – under the leadership of Colonel Nazlee Bin Abdul Rahim, Defence Attaché of Malaysia to the Kingdom of Cambodia. The team headed to Banteay Meanchey Province in order to observe, verify, and report on the update situation on the ground in several areas at the Border Post No. 47 in Chok Chey Village, Ou Beichoan Commune, Ou Chrov District, Banteay Meanchey Province.

3. On August 26, 2025, the Secretariat Meeting of the Cambodian-Thailand Regional Border Committee (RBC) commenced at 9.20 AM and is still ongoing up until now, at 4.00 PM the meeting was led by Brigadier General Nith Narong, head of the Secretariat

Team of Cambodia Military Region 4, and Colonel Yuthasat Senthachai, Deputy Commander of Thailand Military Region 2. The meeting followed the agenda and programmes agreed upon by both sides.

I will inform you again should there be any further updates regarding the meeting.

4. At the same time, Cambodia continues to call on the Thai side to implement the above agreements and return 18 of our military personnel to Cambodia so they can reunite with their families, who have been waiting day and night for their return. It is also important to note that Thai soldiers illegally captured these Cambodian military soldiers immediately after the ceasefire took effect on the morning of 29 July 2025; as of 4:00 PM on 26 August 2025, their detention has lasted 28 days, 8 hours, and 10 minutes.

The Ministry of National Defense, the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces, and the International Community will continually demand that Thailand uphold its obligations under international law, and we wish to underscore that we will never abandon or leave any one of our family members behind.

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

1. The Royal Government of Cambodia's strong protest against Thai Forces' encroachment into Cambodian territory:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation registered on 25 August 2025 the Royal Government of Cambodia's strong protest against persistent encroachment by the Thai Forces into Cambodia's territory. It was the third protest following the previous two made on 14 and 19 August 2025. The protests underlined that.

(1). On 25 August 2025, at 2:20 PM, Thai soldiers continued to lay barbed wire in Chouk Chey village, O'Beichoan commune, O' Chrov district, Banteay Meanchey province. This marks a new encroachment by the Thai soldiers into Cambodia's territory, beyond their previous position on 12-13 August 2025.

(2). This action constitutes a violation of Cambodia's sovereignty and reflects Thailand's deliberate attempt to further expand the conflict into civilian areas. Furthermore, such violations could further endanger the already fragile ceasefire. It is in direct contradiction to the ceasefire agreement reached on 28 July 2025 in Putrajaya, Malaysia, as well as the spirit of the agreed minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the General Border Committee on 7 August 2025 in Kuala Lumpur, which was reaffirmed most recently at the extraordinary Regional Border Committee meeting between the 5th Military Region of Cambodia and the Chanthaburi and Trat Border Defence Command of Thailand, particularly on the following points.

- Both sides agreed not to undertake provocative actions that may escalate tension, including military activities to enter the other side's airspace and territory or position as of the ceasefire from 24:00 local time on 28 July 2025.

- Both sides agreed not to expand the scope and scale of the dispute, including provocative activities that may escalate tension.

(3). Cambodia therefore requests the Thai side to fully and unconditionally respect the above agreement and understanding, as well as to comply with and implement Article 5 of the MOU 2000, which prohibits any work resulting in changes of the environment of the frontier zone except for demarcation works as mandated by the GBC of both countries.

With the protest, the Ministry has attached the protest letter dated 25 August 2025 of His Excellency Mr. LAM Chea, the Minister-in-Charge of the State Secretariat of Border Affairs and Chairman of the Joint Commission on Demarcation for Land Boundary, GBC-Cambodian side. Address to His Excellency Mr. Prasas Prasasvinitchai, Advisor to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand, Chairman of the Joint Commission on Demarcation for Land Boundary, GBC-Thai side.

2. Cambodia clarification with Ottawa Convention Chair:

(1). His Excellency DARA In, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Cambodia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, wrote a letter dated 21 August 2025 to Her Excellency ICHIKAWA Tomiko, Ambassador of Japan and President of the 22nd Meeting of State Parties to the Antipersonnel Mine Ban Convention, known as the Ottawa Convention.

(2). His Excellency Senior Minister LY Thuch, First Vice President of CMMA, held an online meeting on 22 August 2025 with Ottawa Convention Chair Mrs. ICHIKAWA Tomiko. In both the letter and the meeting, Cambodia categorically rejects Thailand's accusation of newly planted antipersonnel mines along the Cambodia-Thailand border, describing them as baseless, politically motivated, and lacking credible evidence attempting to undermine Cambodia's credibility.

- Cambodia reaffirms its full compliance with the Ottawa Convention, stressing that it has never produced, used, or laid new mines since becoming a state party in 2000.
- The international demanding organizations, including APOPO (which stands for Anti-Personnel Landmine Detection Products), MAG (which stands for Mines Advisory Group), and HALO Trust, confirm the mines discovered are remnants of past conflicts, not new deployments.
- Cambodia highlighted its humanitarian achievements in mine clearance, victim assistance, and regional cooperation, including its role as Chair of the Ottawa Convention in 2011 and 2024.

The Ottawa Convention Chair and committee members took note of Cambodia's clarification and acknowledged its long-standing contribution to mine action. They encourage Cambodia and Thailand to pursue dialogue and de-escalation, uphold the ceasefire, and continue advancing humanitarian mine action.

Thank you.