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## **Statement of the Co-Chairs of Friends of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia**

*The Co-Chairs of the Friends of the Court make this statement on behalf of the donors to the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) :*

The donors welcome the completion of the trial in the Trial Chamber for case 001, Monday 26<sup>th</sup> of July, against Kaing Guek Eav, known as Duch, former director of the detention center S21 in Phnom Penh for crimes against humanity, grave breaches of the Geneva Conventions, homicide and torture.

The donors recognize the commitment of the national and international judges as well as all those working for the ECCC and their independent and comprehensive work, in order to uphold high standards of law and due process.

More than 30 years after the atrocities committed under the Khmer Rouge regime, this judgment gives hope that the ECCC will ultimately fulfill its promise as a vehicle for justice and national reconciliation for all Cambodians. The donors reaffirm their confidence in and support for the ECCC in delivering justice to the Cambodian people and in helping Cambodia strengthen further its efforts for the rule of law.

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