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On 19 September 2007, Mr Nuon Chea met with officials from the Defence Support Section and selected a Cambodian lawyer, Mr SON Arun, to represent him before the ECCC. Mr Nuon Chea has not yet selected a foreign lawyer.

Mr SON has been a member of the Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia since 1996. He has worked in private practice for over 11 years and has specialised in defending persons charged with serious crimes, including terrorism. Since 2002, Mr SON has been Director of EU ASIA Pacific Lawyer Group.

Since Mr Nuon Chea claimed that he does not have the means to pay for his lawyer, Mr SON will be funded through the ECCC's Legal Assistance Scheme, while this claim is being assessed.

