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# The Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia

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# Reaching out to Newly Admitted Civil Parties



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The 450 Civil Parties were part of group of 1,728 Civil Parties in Case 002 who were admitted by the Pre-Trial Chamber on the 24 of June 2011. The Co-Investigating Judges had previously found their applications inadmissible, but the applicants appealed the dismissals to the Pre-Trial Chamber. Following the decision from the Pre-Trial Chamber, the number of admitted Civil Parties in Case 002 is now 3,866.

The regional forum gave newly admitted Civil Parties from Kampot, Kep, Koh Kong, Kampong Som and Kampong Speu provinces the opportunity to meet their lawyers and discuss their rights at the

trial, their participation in the judicial process and potential reparations. Officials from the ECCC gave an update on recent progress at the court, and explained to the Civil Parties the importance of their role as representatives for all victims. A Civil Party in Case 001, Ms. Chin Met, and a witness, Mr. Vann Nath, also participated in the forum and shared their experiences with participants.

The Regional Forum is one of the public outreach programs conducted by VSS to improve victim's participation in the trial and provides an opportunity for Civil Parties from Cases 001 and 002 to meet. The participants were excited about being allowed to be parties to the ECCC proccedings.

"The Pre-Trial Chamber's decision to grant the appeal on the admissibility of my application as a

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## 10th Plenary Session Held at ECCC

The Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) held the 10th Plenary Session on 1st-3rd August to discuss proposed amendments to the Internal Rules and to the Practice Direction on Filing.

Opening remarks were made by the President of the ECCC, H.E. Kong Srim and Judge Silvia Cartwright , the Vice-President of the ECCC Plenary.

In her speech, Judge Cartwright stated the importance of having fair and just trials, both for the Cambodian people and the international community.

She also explained two aims of the court "the first is to restore a system that gives the Cambodian people confidence that they will receive justice from their courts.

The second is to show the international community that Cambodia is making efforts to put in place a justice system that meets international standards", she said.

The plenary adopted several proposed amendments to the Internal Rules in order to promote efficient trial management and more expeditious proceedings.

The Internal Rules relating to immediate appeals to the Supreme Court Chamber were amended to include provisions requiring the Supreme Court Chamber to issue a decision with a summary of its reasons within three months. In relation to immediate appeals against Trial Chamber decisions which have the effect of terminating proceedings, the Supreme Court Chamber may, in exceptional circumstances, extend the

period for issuing decisions by a further month. If the Supreme Court does not issue a decision within the limited time prescribed, or is unable to reach a supermajority on any immediate appeal, the decision of the Trial Chamber becomes

The plenary also ruled that conducting an inquiry into the death of a person in custody was not mandatory, in compliance with Cambodian practice. The Judges also made modifications to the Practice Directions on filing and editorial changes were made to the Appeals Provisions.

The new Pre-Trial Chamber Judge, Mr. Chung Chang-ho from South Korea was sworn in by Mr. Knut Rosandhaug.





The 10th Plenary Session that took place on 1st-3rd August 2011 at the ECCC. Right: Judge Kong Srim and Judge Silvia Cartwright in court.

## **New Pre-Trial Chamber Judge Appointed**

Mr. Chung Chang-ho (Republic of Korea) has been appointed as a new international judge to serve in the Pre-Trial Chamber at the ECCC, effective 1st August. Following his nomination by United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon, Mr.Chung will replace Judge Catherine Marchi-Uhel, who has returned to her post at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.

He was formally sworn in on 1st August during the opening of the Plenary Session at the ECCC.

Mr.Chung has recently served as Legal Attaché at the Korean Embassy in Vienna, and has served as a high court judge since 2004.

Prior to this he served as a Judge at District Courts and as a Court Martial Judge.



Mr. Knut Rosandhaug (left) and Judge Chung Chang-ho during the swearing in ceremony on 1st August 2011.

## Reaching out to Civil Parties (continued from front page)

Civil Party in Case 002 against the four accused persons, is a part of justice for me and my late relatives who lost their life under the Khmer Rouge. The upcoming trials will bring me more justice", said a Civil Party at the forum.

A Civil Party from Chhouk said, "In the beginning I thought that my application as Civil Party was overlooked but then I was so happy to hear that my application was admitted". "I believe that Khmer Rouge Tribunal will bring justice to Cambodians who suffered during the Khmer Rouge regime", he added.

Another Civil Party from Kampot town was also pleased with being admitted to the case.

"I am happy that I was allowed to become a Civil Party. I am ready to attend the hearings in the near future."

ECCC officials also explained to forum participants the role of reparations, and the two different kinds: collective and moral. There are no individual financial reparations for victims, but the Regional Forum collated possible ideas to be sent to the Trial Chamber

"I want a collective reparation such as a stupa to remember those who lost their lives under the Khmer Rouge regime. In addition, I want to have a library in my community for young people to go and read documents so they know the history of their country and will not repeat what the Khmer Rouge did", a Civil Party from Dong Trung district in Kampot said.

"I do not want financial reparation. I want collective reparation; I want a stupa to keep the remains of the victims and to remember them", a Muslim Civil Party said.

All proposals for reparations raised by Civil Parties and their lawyers during the Regional Forum in Kampot will be filed and formulated in a claim to be submitted to Trial Chamber during the trial proceedings.

The VSS will organize more public forums for civil parties in the near future.

## **New Zealand Makes Additional Contribution to ECCC**

The Government of New Zealand has confirmed a new contribution of NZD \$100,000 (approximately US \$80,000) to the international component of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC). With this latest contribution, New Zealand has provided financial assistance for a total of NZD \$900,000 to the ECCC.

In a letter to the ECCC, HE Ambassador Bede Corry stated that the latest contribution "is intended to demonstrate New Zealand's continued support for the judicial work of the Tribunal, and also reflects New Zealand's positive relationship with Cambodia".

"We are thankful for the continued support of

New Zealand, which has been supporting the ECCC financially since the Court's inception in 2006", said Acting Director of the Office of Administration, H.E. Tony Kranh and Deputy Director Mr. Knut Rosandhaug in a statement.

## **United States Embassy Staff Visit ECCC**

The new Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy, Mr. Jeff Daigle, visited the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) on 19th July to meet with court staff and discuss current issues at the ECCC.

Mr. Daigle met with Acting Director of the Office of Administration, H.E. Tony Kranh and Deputy Director Mr. Knut Rosandhaug and expressed his strong support for a fair trial of former Khmer Rouge leaders. He also stated that both the US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and the US Embassy in Phnom Penh will continue to closely follow the progress of the trials.

"The United States strongly supports efforts by the Royal Government of Cambodia, the United Nations and the ECCC to fulfill its promise as a vehicle for jus-



Mr. Jeff Daigle meets with ECCC representatives.

tice, and national reconciliation," he said. Mr. Daigle also spoke about the importance of the trial in strengthening Cambodia's judicial capacity and adherence to the rule of law.

"'The United States also continues to urge the tribunal to uphold the highest standards of integrity and impartiality, and to protect its own independence", he said.

## 400 people from Banteay Meanchey Visit the ECCC

Over 400 villagers from Phnom Sok in Banteay Menachey province attended a study tour organized by the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) on 14th July.

The group watched documentaries about the Khmer Rouge regime before visiting Tuol Sleng, Cheong Ek and the ECCC to learn about the work of the court and tour the premises.

Banteay Meanchey's 350 person study tour was extended to 440, due to a high demand in the area to participate.

The community elders thought it was important for the younger generation to learn about Cambodia's past, and encouraged them to watch the films screened by ECCC staff. "When I watch this documentary, I remember all the things that happened to me during the Khmer Rouge regime. At the same time I strongly believe that the Khmer Rouge trials will bring justice for my family and other Khmer Rouge victims", said participant Touch Horn.

Villagers expressed their interest in the trial and participated in a question and answer session at the court.

"A lot of my relatives were killed by the Khmer Rouge. Visiting the court makes me happy and I hope that the court will bring justice to Khmer Rouge victims because so many people were killed and died of starvation", said Mork Yoeung.

Commune Council member Tan Phary believes the study tour was important for both those who attended and those who stayed in the village, as they will transfer their knowledge when they return

"This tour brings together two important interests for villagers. First, to gain a better understanding of the trial process and secondly the villagers can study the truth of Khmer history", he said.





Banteay Meanchey visitors inside the court (top) and Mr Huy Vannak explains the role of the

## **ECCC Launches Virtual Tribunal Website**

Virtual Tribunal (VT), a new website designed to document Cambodian history, the Khmer Rouge years and the work of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia was launched internally at the ECCC on 28th July.

The not-for-profit website consists of a digital multimedia library of documents and video that includes the contributions of educational institutions, academics, media, NGO's and civil society groups. The website is in both English and Khmer and will be released to the public later in the fall.

The website is intended to become a virtual legacy of the ECCC, according to Acting Director of Administration, Tony Kranh. "We all agree that we shall leave something

memorial and significant behind our historical works, the works of the ECCC", he said.

"The ECCC's Virtual Tribunal is the first of its kind by us all and for everyone ranging from lawyers, legislators, the victims and the public users".

have sections for teachers, students and the media.

The website will also

It comes as a result of an agreementsigned by the ECCC on 17th February 2010



ECCC Staff at the internal launch of Virtual Tribunal

to establish the website with the Hoover Institution, Stanford University and the War Crimes Studies Centre of the University of California, Berkeley.

## Judicial Updates

Every month, each section of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia compiles a summary of their activities to inform the general public on the latest developments of the court. The following are updates from each section on the activities of **July 2011**. For decisions and orders, please refer to page 9.

## Pre-Trial Chamber

During July the Pre-Trial Chamber continued its work on Cases 002 and 003.

### Supreme Court Chamber

During July 2011 the Supreme Court Chamber continued to work on its judgment on the appeals against the Trial Judgment in Case 001.

## Office of the Co-Investigating Judges

#### **Case 004**

The investigations continued to be pursued in this case. Several key witnesses were interviewed by an Investigating Judge in Battambang and Kratie. Further field missions are scheduled.

Joint working groups composed of national and international staff continued to evaluate the evidentiary material, including 3,004 documents comprising more than 50,000 pages.

Similarly, joint working groups processed civil party applications, of which more than 300 had been received.

Several legal decisions and orders were issued.

## Office of the Co-Prosecutors

#### Case 002

The Office made 8 written submissions to the Trial Chamber in connection with Case 002. These included the Co-Prosecutors' list of documents they intend to put before the Chamber during the first phase of the trial, submissions relating to the experts and witnesses to be called at trial and a notice of intention to rely on video-clips during the trial.

The Co-Prosecutors also filed responses to expert reports on the fitness of accused persons Nuon Chea and leng Thirith to stand trial. The reports were prepared by an independent expert appointed by the Trial Chamber and were submitted to the Trial Chamber in June 2011.

#### Cases 003 and 004

The International Co-Prosecutor submitted an appeal to the Pre-Trial Chamber against the Co-Investigating Judges' rejection in June of three investigative requests and a request for an extension of time for civil parties to submit applications in Case 003. The appeal is pending before the Pre-Trial Chamber.

The International Co-Prosecutor made four submissions to the Co-Investigating Judges in connection with the judicial investigations in Case 004. This included the re-filing of a formal Supplementary Submission requesting additional investigative activities and a request for the Co-Investigating Judges to notify the public of the alleged crimes in accordance with the Internal Rules governing ECCC proceedings. The International Co-Prosecutor awaits the decision of the Co-Investigating Judges on his requests.

#### Outreach:

Mr. Veng Huot, National Deputy Co-Prosecutor, and Mr. Tarik Abdulhak, Senior Assistant Prosecutor, attended the Civil Parties' Sixth Regional Forum, as part of the VSS outreach program, on 28 July 2011, in Kampot. Recently admitted Civil Parties had the opportunity to learn about the OCP's role and structure and its partnership between national and international staff, and the importance of Victim Participation in giving a voice to the victims before the Court, and

## Defence Support Section

#### **Case 002**

On 5 July, pursuant to the Trial Chamber's direction, the Defence for Khieu Samphan filed a request to add witnesses to the tentative list for the first phases of trial (or alternatively to be summoned during the later phases of the trial). The request expanded upon the Accused Khieu Samphan's concerns

raised during the Initial Hearing, specifically that 93.75% of approved witnesses have been proposed by the Co-Prosecutors.

On 7 July the leng Sary Defence team requested that Dr. Campbell's geriatric report regarding Mr. leng Sary be made public for the purpose of transparency in the proceedings and to explain to the public that, due to his poor health, Mr. leng Sary has needed to leave the courtroom during the proceedings.

On 15 July 2011 the leng Sary Defence Team filed an Expedited Request for an Extension of Time to File His Document and Exhibit List for the First Four Trial Topics. The original deadline for the list was set for 22 July 2011, but the Defence cited the fact that they also had four other responses due on the same date, all of which were vitally important to the Defence. On 27 July 2011 the Trial Chamber approved the extension, giving the leng Sary Defence until 8 August 2011 to submit their Exhibit List.

On 21 July 2011 the Nuon Chea Defence Team filed a Response to the Office of the Co-Prosecutors (OCP) Submission Regarding the Admissibility of Written Witness Statements. The Defence argued that witnesses against Nuon Chea must give their statements orally, and that written statements could only be used in lieu of oral testimony in certain cases subject to conditions. The Defence argued that both Article 297 of the Cambodian Code of Criminal Procedure and ECCC Internal Rule 84(1) supported the Defence's assertion. The leng Thirith and leng Sary Defence Teams filed separate responses to the same issue, emphasizing the absolute right of the Accused to examine the witnesses against them.

On 22 July 2011 the Defence Teams for Nuon Chea, Khieu Samphan and leng Thirith filed Responses to the Co-Prosecutors' Requests to the Trial Chamber to Amend the Definition of

Crimes Against Humanity by removing the 'armed conflict nexus requirement'. Defence argued that the request was inadmissible at this stage because it constituted a preliminary objection.

The Defence also argued that the request was an attempt to change the definition of the crime, not a mere recharacterization of the facts, which has been prohibited by both the European Court of Human Rights and the International Criminal Court. In addition, the Defence emphasized the principle of *in dubio pro reo*, which requires that if a statute can be interpreted in two or more ways, the interpretation most favorable to the Accused must be used.

On 22 July 2011 the Defence Teams for Nuon Chea, leng Sary, Khieu Samphan and leng Thirith filed Responses to the 'Co-Prosecutors' Request for the Trial Chamber to Re-Characterize the Facts Establishing the Conduct of Rape as the Crime Against Humanity or Rape Rather than the Crime Against Humanity of Other Inhumane Acts.' The Defence again argued that this request constituted a preliminary objection and thus could not be filed at this stage in the proceedings, as the deadline for preliminary objections under ECCC Internal Rule 89 had expired four months before.

Also on 22 July 2011 the Defence Teams for Nuon Chea, leng Sary, Khieu Samphan and leng Thirith filed Responses to the Co-Prosecutors' Request for the Trial Chamber to Consider Joint Criminal Enterprise III ("JCEIII") as an Alternative Mode of Liability.

The Defence argued that JCEIII is not applicable to the ECCC because it did not exist under customary international law during the 1975-1979 jurisdiction of the court and thus the Accused could not have foreseen this mode of liability at the time. Furthermore, the Defence argued that attempts to utilize JCEIII amount to another attempt to amend the charges and not merely to recharacterize the applicable facts.

#### Cases 003 and 004

The Defence Support Section continues to monitor closely the developments in Cases 003 and 004, and to work to ensure that the rights of the suspects are upheld in conformity with the highest

international standards and best practices.

#### Outreach:

The DSS is committed to assisting the ECCC in leaving a legacy of a strengthened justice system for Cambodia through promoting rule of law and fair trial rights, and building the capacity of lawyers and others with the incentive to demand justice in Cambodia.

On 6 July, a DSS representative gave a presentation on the DSS and the role of the defence to staff and summer interns at the Documentation Center of Cambodia

On 27 July, a DSS representative discussed DSS legacy and outreach work and the potential legacy of the ECCC with Ms. Sonja Meyer, an Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) advisor working with the Cambodian non-governmental organisation Youth for Peace.

During this period, the DSS continued to partner with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to develop initiatives to assist the ECCC in leaving a positive legacy for the Cambodian justice system.

The Fair Trial Rights Club continued with two more seminars in July, one on pretrial rights and the other on rights relating to provisional detention and detention conditions.

## Victims Support Section

#### Legal Work:

The Victims Support Section (VSS) processed 37 applications to become Civil Parties in Case 003 and 168 in Case 004 and filed them with the Office of the Co-Investigating Judges (OCIJ).

In addition, VSS assisted Avocats Sans Frontières (ASF) in forwarding French translation of 67 Victims Information forms in Case 002 to the Trial Chamber.

In addition, the VSS has kept track of Civil Parties newly admitted by the Pre-Trail Chamber in their database and produced statistics related to Civil Parties in Case 002 for lawyers and the outreach team.

#### Outreach:

On 28 July the VSS hosted a Regional Civil Party Forum for Case 002 in Kampot province.

This forum was organized for 450 Civil Parties in Case 002 out of 1,744 newly admitted Civil Parties by the Pre-Trial Chamber of the ECCC. The forum is part of VSS' 16 month project on "Improved Victims Participation in the ECCC", funded by the Federal Republic of Germany through the German International Development Agency (GIZ).

The forum increased the Civil Parties knowledge of the ECCC's recent updates and processes while increasing the number of meetings they are able to have with their lawyers.

Meeting with Civil Parties from Case 001 allowed the Case 002 parties to feel more comfortable with the judicial process. They also met in groups with their legal representatives to discuss the types of reparations to be presented to the Trial Chamber.

The Civil Parties also met officers from the Office of the Co-Prosecutors, Witness/ Expert support unit, Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers and some NGO's.

#### **Non-Judicial Measures and Reparations:**

On 20 and 22 July, the Non-Judicial Measure and Reparation Team visited crime sites in Mondukiri and Kratie to assess the possibility of preservation and building of memorials at these sites. The team met with local authorities and found out that these centres have now been occupied by local people.

On 11 July, the Non-Judicial and Reparation Team met with the Deputy Director of the Department of Culture and Fine Arts in regards to the request from the Ksem Ksan Association to build a memorial, and of the Document Centre of Cambodia (DC Cam) to rebuild a stupa at the former detention centre, S-21.

The Deputy said he would inform the Minister of Culture and Fine Arts and have discussions about the requests with UNESCO.

On 19 July the VSS organized a meeting

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## Victims Support Section (continued from page 7)

with the Lead Co-Lawyers, intermediary NGOs and the ECCC. The VSS's Outreach Coordinator presented a plan of collaboration with NGOs and the Lead Co-Lawyer presented the proposal of initial specification of reparations discussed during the Initial Hearing of Case 002.

The outcome of the meeting was that specific projects should be developed, and coordination amongst all the groups should be strengthened to avoid overlapping of resources.

On 27 July Mr. Tan Visalm, the Manager of Non-Judicial Measure and Reparation, was invoted by Adhoc to join a civil society talk shows on FM-105. The discussion was on non-judicial measures and reparations in the ECCC's proceedings.



Civil Parties and their legal representatives at the Regional Civil Party Forum in Kampot

## **Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers' Section**

#### Legal work:

In July, the Lead Co-Lawyers (LCLs), in cooperation with the Civil Party Lawyers (CPLs) worked on the Revised List of Documents and Exhibit on the revised list of Civil Parties, both relevant to the first four trial segments relating to the closing order for Case 002. These segments are the structure of Democratic Kampuchea, the role of each accused during the period prior to the establishment of Democratic Kampuchea, the role of the accused in the government, and the policies of the government itself.

The Lead Co-Lawyers also filed responses to the Co-Prosecutors request about the exclusion of the armed conflict nexus requirement from the definition of crimes against humanity, the admission of written witness statements before the Trial Chamber, the re-establishment of the facts establishing the conduct of rape as a crime against humanity, rather than the crime against humanity of other inhumane acts and Joint Criminal Enterprise (JCEIII).

#### Outreach:

During July, the Lead Co-Lawyers also or-

ganized several meetings. On 4 and 12 July, the LCLs and CPLs met to discuss their preparations for the next hearings of Case 002 and its organization.

On 19 July the LCLs met with VSS and intermediary organizations supporting Civil Parties and discussed the reparations request in Case 002, and the necessary collaboration between them.

They also attended the Regional Civil Party Forum in Kampot, spoke about their role in the trial and answered questions.

## Court Calendar !

## **Decisions/Orders**

### **Pre-Trial Chamber**

#### 1 July 2011

Decision on the Reconsideration of the Admissibility of Civil Party Applications in Case 002, with the Chamber admitting 12 additional Civil Parties to the case (D364/1/6)

#### 15 July 2011

Decision on leng Sary's request for Disclosure to the Defence Support Section all of PTC 08 Documents in Case 002 (PTC 08), which was dismissed.

## **Trial Chamber**

#### 7 July 2011

Decision on Extension of Time Dated on 07 July 2011 in Case 002 (E107), granted the Defence teams and the Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers until Friday, 22nd July. Replies, if sought by the Co-Prosecutors to be filed by Monday, 1st August 2011.

#### 27 July 2011

Decision on leng Sary's Request on Extension of time in Case 002 and his defence team was granted until 8 August 2011 (E106/1).

#### 28 July 2011

Decision on leng Sary's Motion to Add the Office of the Co-Investigator's CaseMap to the Case File in Case 002, which was rejected (E91/3).

#### 29 July 2011

Decision on Lead Co-Lawyers "Urgent Request for the Trial Chamber to Amend Memorandum E62/3/10 (formerly E106)" in Case 002 and the Chamber rejected the request (E62/3/10/4)



A panoramic view of the main courtroom in the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia.

(Photo: Meng Kimlong)

## **Upcoming Public Hearings**

#### **Pre-Trial Chamber Hearing**

None scheduled

#### **Trial Chamber Hearings:**

None scheduled

### <u>Supreme Court Chamber</u> <u>Hearings:</u>

None scheduled

## **Self-help Group Assists Civil Parties in Kampot**

In late July a self-help group met in the Dorng Tong district of Kampot province for the third time. The group, facilitated by Transcultural Psychosocial Organization Cambodia (TPO), is comprised of 11 members, all of whom have been admitted as Civil Parties in Case 002. Members travelled up to 1 hour to join the group, and all are enthusiastic about participation and the benefits the self-help group has to offer.

The group serves as a forum for individuals with similar past experiences to come together to share their stories in a safe, secure environment. It also serves as an educational forum, where TPO's facilitators, who work closely with the Victims Support Section (VSS) of the ECCC, can communicate any updates about the courts proceedings and answer questions that Civil Parties might have.

Each session is a combination of group discussion and sharing of personal stories and experiences. The participants discussed the upcoming trial and their role as Civil Parties, which brought up much discussion among group members.

The members spoke about many positive aspects of the upcoming trial, and chief among them is the opportunity to obtain justice, both for themselves and for the dead. Many also expressed that the trials provide the chance for personal healing and peace of mind and the opportunity for recognition of their suffering and experience, on both an international and national level. Additionally, many expressed concern that the defendants will pass away before the completion of the trial and that if called to testify, they cannot tell their whole story, but rather only answer the questions asked by lawyers.

Group members expressed how difficult it is to bring the past to the surface, but that it is a necessary part of the healing process, and it helps to share their experiences with and have emotional support from others who have been through others who have experience similar tragedy. When asked how they felt to hear the stories, one member replied, "I feel it is my story. It happened to her, but it also happened to me."



Members of the TPO self-help group at their meeting in Kampot (above) and one of the group members who has shared her story (below).

At the conclusion of the session, a short de-briefing is done by the TPO facilitators. Members are taught stress reduction techniques, and discuss how they plan to apply the lessons learned in the group in the upcoming month.

Each session concludes with a meal together, with each member preparing a dish to share with the rest of the group. As everyone ate, one member said, "It is hard to imagine a little more than thirty years ago we were under this same sky, with only the water from rice to eat, and we are here today eating everything together. If only Pol Pot could see us here eating cake!"

Self-help groups have proven to be a very successful and cost-effective method in helping individuals find ways to solve problems and to cope with emotional stress. This form of community-based intervention enjoys a high acceptance among beneficiaries, particularly among socially isolated individuals and those whose human rights have been abused. TPO currently has four ongoing self-help groups for admitted Civil Parties around Cambodia, as well as three self-help groups for those who were allegedly tortured while imprisoned during the Khmer Rouge regime.



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## Outreach Calendar

#### **Outreach Activities**

**6 July 2011** ICfC Study Tour: 32 villagers visit the ECCC where they learn about the Khmer Rouge and the judicial process.

**6 and 13 July 2011** CHRAC Radio Show: Listeners call in to discuss the outcomes of the Initial Hearing of Case 002.

**13 July 2011** Workshop: The DSS Fair Trial Rights Club (FTRC) presents a workshop on trial rights with a lecture and group discussion.

**15 July 2011** Radio Show: TPO and WMC host "The Experiences of the Initial Hearing and Victims Expectations", where victims can discuss the hearing and ask questions.

**19 July 2011** Visit: Mr. Jeff Daigle, the Deputy Chief of Mission of the Embassy of the United States of America.

**20 July 2011** Visit: 20 students from Cambodia, Vietnam and Germany visit the court as part of The Royal University of Phnom Penh's summer school program.

**20** and **27** July **2011** CHRAC Radio Show: Listeners call in to discuss the trial of leng Sary in 1979 and the Amnesty given to him.

**21 July 2011** Visit: H.E. Mr. Rudi Veestraeten, Ambassador of Belgium.

**22 July 2011** Student Forum: At Pannasatra University in Phnom Penh to discuss the trial with students.

**26-28 July 2011** NGO Dialogue Project: ICfC and TPO monitor the developments of the dialogues established between Victims and former KR and expand the project to other commune members.

**26 July 2011** Visit: 20 volunteers from Germany to learn about the work of the ECCC.

**27 July 2011** Workshop: The DSS FTRC presented a workshop about detention of prisoners with a lecture and group discussion.

**27 July 2011** Legacy Meeting: DSS meet with YFP and GIZ to discuss the ECCC legacy and further outreach work.

**28 July 2011** Regional Forum: VSS hosts the 6th Regional Forum for Civil Parties in Kampot.

**8 August 2011** Visit: 20 students from the Royal University of Law and Economics to learn about the establishment and work of the ECCC.

**9 August 2011** Visit: Rotary Centre for International Studies from Chulalongkorn University to visit the ECCC to learn about peace and international cooperation.

**9 August 2011** Outreach: ECCC staff visit the Buddhist University in Phnom Penh to discuss the trial's and answer questions from the monks.

**11 August 2011** Regional Forum: VSS hosts the 7th Regional Forum for Civil Parties in Kampong Cham.

**12** August **2011** Radio Show: TPO and WMC host "Remembering the Times of the Khmer Rouge", where callers can discuss their experiences under the Khmer Rouge.

**29** August **2011** Workshop: CDP holds a gender Legacy Workshop to discuss transferring gender lessons learnt from the trials at the ECCC to the national judicial system.

**30 August 2011** Workshop: CHRAC holds a workshop on "Experiences and Exchanges in the Implementation of Law: From ECCC to national courts".



### ECCC's Outreach

The Public Affairs Section hosts Khmer Rouge Tribunal Study Tours every Tuesday and Thursday, bringing a group of 300 villagers from areas throughout Cambodia to have a guided tour of the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum, a visit the Choeung Ek Killing Fields, and briefings by court officials at the ECCC. On the night before each of these Khmer Rouge Tribunal Study Tours, PAS staff members stay over in the provinces and host Khmer Rouge-related film screenings in conjunction with the Bophana Audiovisual Resource Center.

PAS also visits high schools and universities to brief students on the work of the Khmer Rouge tribunal.

ECCC OUTREACH CALENDAR						
July-August						
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3	4	5 KRT Study Tour	6	7 KRT Study Tour	8	9
10	11	12 KRT Study Tour	13	14	15	16
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31	1	2	3	4 KRT Study Tour	5	6
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
7	8	9	10	11 KRT Study Tour	12	13
14	15	16 KRT Study Tour	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 KRT Study Tour	24	25	26	27



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