



Phnom Penh, 14 September 2023  
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Your Excellency,

The Mission of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in the Kingdom of Cambodia would like to present its compliments to the Extraordinary Chambers of the Court of Cambodia (ECCC). As an impartial, neutral and independent humanitarian organization operating through its representation in the Kingdom of Cambodia since 1979, the ICRC Mission in the Kingdom of Cambodia continuously develops and implements humanitarian activities in partnership and coordination with various Cambodian authorities in areas such as, *inter alia*, physical rehabilitation, detention, restoring and maintaining family links, and promotion of International Humanitarian Law.

We have the privilege of extensive cooperation in favour of persons deprived of their freedom with the Directorate General of Prisons (DGP) under the Ministry of Interior of the Kingdom of Cambodia, as part of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed with the Royal Government of Cambodia in 1998. As per that agreement, the ICRC carries out regular visits to places of detention with the purely humanitarian objective to monitor detainees' material and psychological conditions as well as treatment. Following those visits, we share observations and recommendations in a confidential and constructive manner with the authorities concerned. In this frame, our role is to support and complement the efforts of the relevant Cambodian authorities in the fulfilment of their duties and responsibilities.

In accordance with the ICRC's prior official correspondences PPO 23/00023-DFIS and PPO 23/00067-DFIS addressed to you respectively on February 3, 2023, and April 25, 2023, the ICRC Mission in the Kingdom of Cambodia hereby informs you that an ICRC delegate successfully paid another visit to Mr Khieu Samphan on the 22 of August 2023, in Kandal Provincial Prison, under the responsibility of the Directorate General of Prisons of the Ministry of Interior of the Kingdom of Cambodia.

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Once more, the ICRC was able to assess his living conditions and to report back to the responsible authorities, namely the Directorate General of Prisons of the Ministry of Interior, in a confidential manner, as per the 1998 MoU between the ICRC and the Government of Cambodia.

While we are unable to share the specific findings of our visits to a third party, we remain at your disposal should you wish to discuss the modalities of this visit, or any other matter related to our detention activities.

We thank you once again for all our recent cooperation on this matter and avail ourselves of this opportunity to assure you of our highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,



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