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**Press Release**

**ECCC Welcomes the “Records and Archives Management Program” Organized by the National Archives of Korea**

The Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) welcomed archivists from Cambodia and Vietnam for the training “Records and Archives Management Program 2024” on August 28, 2024. Organized by the National Archives of Korea (NAK) and the Ministry of the Interior and Safety of Korea, this training aims to enhance skills and foster knowledge exchange related to digitization.

The day's agenda included two lectures on "Long-term Digital Preservation Policy & Technical Information Management" and "UNESCO Memory of the World Preservation Project and Case Study," followed by a guided tour of the ECCC's premises and its Resource Centre.

This event provided an opportunity for archivists from various institutions to gain insights into advanced digital preservation techniques and modern archival methods implemented by the National Archives of Korea. Participants included archivists from the ECCC, the Legal Documentation Centre (LDC), the National Archives of Cambodia (NAC), the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum (TSGM) and the Records and Archives Department of Vietnam (SRADV).

H.E. Tony Kranh, Acting Director of the Office of Administration at the ECCC, provided context in his welcome speech, stating: “With regard to Cambodia Archives system, we have the Law on Archives. It was enacted in 2005 and the Sub-Decree on the Organization and Functioning of the Archives Council was issued in 2019, to establish principles and procedures for the effective management and maintenance of public archives. Nevertheless, we should consider whether this Law needs to be updated and modernized in accordance with current digitization.”

He added: “The pillar of the reform is human resources above all. We need skilled people with a good career perspective. Therefore, I believe that this program will significantly contribute to the development of skilled and competent individuals in this very important field.”

This training day is part of the "Records and Archives Management Program 2024", which began in 2022. This year, the training runs from August 26 to 30 and is specially organized in Phnom Penh. It highlights the importance of digitization in modern archival practices, a focus that will continue to shape the future of archival management in the region.

## Note to Editor:

### ECCC Achievement from January 2023 to June 2024

Based on the spirit of the "Addendum to the Agreement on the Transitional Arrangement and Completion of Work of the ECCC" in 2021 between the Royal Government of Cambodia and the United Nations, the ECCC is mandated to carry out several essential residual functions, judicial and non-judicial functions, for the initial three-year period from 2023 to 2025. From the beginning of 2023, the national and international components of the ECCC commenced to perform its residual functions for the initial year and completed many important achievements as following:

- Transferred Khieu Samphan, 94 years old, to Kandal provincial prison on 30 January 2023 to practice his life imprisonment. Currently, the ECCC has been monitoring the execution of this offender with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) based on international norms and practices and the spirit of the above agreement.
- Following the decision in the final Judgment of Case 002/02, about 3,100 Civil Parties, equivalent to 80% of the total 3,875 civil parties who have been living in 25 provincial capitals notified about the ECCC's current achievements and implementation of the residual functions.
- Approximately 220,000 pages of case 002 documents were classified from the most confidential and confidential documents into the public and is reviewing other remaining 2 million pages.
- Managed and officially launched the "ECCC Resource Centre" On September 27, 2023. This resource centre consists of six components, four components were already built and operating, including:
  1. Library and research space
  2. Archives Repository
  3. Moot Court
  4. Interactive Features

Other two more components are:

- A warm reception will welcome members of the public, provide exhibitions of the ECCC accountability process and offer consultation rooms for victim-survivors and Civil Parties.
  - Remembrance and reflection areas will provide the public a space to commemorate events and honour victim-survivors is constructed and
- From January 2023 to June 2024, conducted two-day outreach study tour per week for 40,293 youth, students, teachers and publics to learn about ECCC achievements, visit Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum, Choeung Ek Genocide Centre and Win-Win Memorial.
  - Produced video series on ECCC functional contents especially "Educational and disseminated video series". 42 video series on questions and answer about ECCC in seven cases were produced. The program aims to broaden the understanding of

Cambodian youth in relation to the serious crimes and atrocities of the Khmer Rouge regime through popular youth media such as Facebook, Telegram, YouTube, TikTok, Instagram, and Television as well.

- 8 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) were signed with national and international institutions to exchange the knowledge, experience, ECCC Jurisprudences related with transitional justice which resolved after the arm conflict and trials.