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**PRESS RELEASE**

**PRE-TRIAL CHAMBER TO HEAR ARGUMENTS OF PARTIES IN CASE 004/01**

The Pre-Trial Chamber of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia is seised of an appeal filed by the international co-prosecutor against the Closing Order in case 004/01 issued by the Office of the Co-Investigating Judges on 22 February and 10 July 2017.

The Pre-Trial Chamber has decided that a hearing will be held in case 004/01 to hear the arguments of the parties before it issues its decision on the appeal. According to a scheduling order issued today, the hearing will take place on 11 and 12 December 2017. A public redacted version of the scheduling order is available at: <https://eccc.gov.kh/en/document/court/scheduling-order-pre-trial-chambers-hearing-appeal-against-closing-order>

The Civil party lawyers, the national co-prosecutor, the international co-prosecutor, and national and international defence co-lawyers will be given the floor to present their arguments. The charged person, if present, shall be given the opportunity to make a personal statement at the end of the hearing.

Once the hearing is concluded, the Pre-Trial Chamber will adjourn to deliberate on its decision whether to dismiss the case or send it to trial. The decision on the appeal is expected within six months of the hearing, at the latest.

The Pre-Trial Chamber of the ECCC comprises three national and two international judges. As the Appellate Chamber, it can hear motions and appeals against orders and decisions issued by the co-investigating judges. Any decision of the bench requires an affirmative vote of at least four out of the five judges.

Given the confidential nature of the investigation, the Pre-Trial Chamber will hear the parties' arguments in a closed session but the public will be allowed to attend when the parties are introduced to the Chamber. Official photos will be available to media after the hearing.

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