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## JOINT PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT

On the Additional Funds to the Development Objective Agreement Grants between the Royal Government of Cambodia and the Government of the United States of America

On Tuesday, 08 December 2020, His Excellency **Chin Bun Sean**, Senior Minister in Charge of Special Missions and Vice-Chairman of the Council for Development of Cambodia and Ms. Veena Reddy, U.S. Agency for International Development/Cambodia Mission Director, signed an exchange of notes reflecting the addition of USD 66.2 million to the Development Object Agreement Grants between the Royal Government of Cambodia and the Government of the United States of America. These additional funds will support activities in Public Health and Education (USD 43.3 million) and in Agriculture and Environment (USD 22.9 million). The U.S. Government has already provided approximately USD 128.7 million in 2020 towards the development of Cambodia.

From 1992 to 2019, the U.S. Government provided approximately USD 1.5 billion in assistance, equivalent to 6.10% of total ODA disbursement by all development partners to Cambodia, focusing on priority sectors such as health, education, environment, agriculture, governance, democratic development, and de-mining, which are well aligned with the RGC's priorities as outlined in the Rectangular Strategy Phase IV and the National Strategic Development Plan 2019-2023.

On behalf of the Royal Government of Cambodia, the Council for the Development of Cambodia would like to express our sincere thanks to both the U.S. government as well as its citizens for their continued support and commitment to the inclusive and sustainable socio-economic development of Cambodia and especially for their contribution to the prevention of the spread of COVID-19.