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Outcomes of the Video Call between
Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN, Prime Minister of Cambodia, and
His Excellency Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri bin Yaakob, Prime Minister of Malaysia



On 25 January 2022, Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, had a video call with His Excellency Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri bin Yaakob, Prime Minister of Malaysia. During the conversation, the two Prime Ministers exchanged views on bilateral relations and on Cambodia's efforts, as the current ASEAN Chair, to support a peaceful solution to the crisis in Myanmar.

The Prime Minister of Malaysia congratulated Cambodia's assumption of ASEAN Chairmanship under the theme A.C.T: ASEAN Addressing Challenges Together and expressed confidence in and support for the success of Cambodia's efforts to advance ASEAN Community building. Samdech Techo Prime Minister recalled the recent 40th ASEAN Tourism Forum 2022 in Sihanouville and expressed appreciation to Malaysia for sending a delegation to the event, which aimed to relaunch ASEAN tourism sector following the impact of COVID-19.

The two Prime Ministers expressed satisfaction with the progress of Cambodia-Malaysia relations as the two countries mark the 65th Anniversary this year. Both sides shared commitment in further enhancing and enriching the cordial ties between the two nations. They applauded the sustained steady growth Cambodia-Malaysia two-way trade which has brought mutual benefits. Samdech Techo Prime Minister Hun Sen assured his Malaysian counterpart that Cambodia will continue to provide care, including COVID-19 vaccination to Malaysians who live and work in



Cambodia, and thanked Malaysia for giving the same support to Cambodian workers in Malaysia.


Samdech Techo Hun Sen briefed Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri bin Yaakob about the outcomes of his visit to Myanmar on 7-8 January 2022 which aimed to open the way for further progress in the implementation of the ASEAN Five-Point Consensus based on the ASEAN Charter. He emphasized Cambodia's commitment to working with all fellow ASEAN Member States to achieve an end to violence, ensure that humanitarian relief reaches those in most need without discrimination and, through a step-by-step approach, engender a process dialogue among all parties concerned to find a peaceful solution to the complex crisis in Myanmar. He thanked Malaysia for supporting the appointment of H.E. PRAK Sokhonn, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Cambodia as the Special Envoy of the ASEAN Chair on Myanmar.

In expressing appreciation for the briefing on Cambodia's efforts, Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri bin Yaakob affirmed Malaysia's full grasp of the essence of Samdech Techo Hun Sen's recent visit to Myanmar. He underlined a similar position that Myanmar issue should be addressed based on the ASEAN Charter and full implementation of the Five-point consensus agreed by ASEAN Leaders. He highlighted the priority of ending violence and mobilizing humanitarian relief efforts through the ASEAN Coordinating Center for Humanitarian Assistance on Disaster Management (AHA Center). He also stressed the importance of the ASEAN Chair's Special Envoy engaging with all parties concerned for a peaceful dialogue in the interest of the people of Myanmar.

On the follow up to Samdech Techo Prime Minister's trip, both Leaders exchanged views on Cambodia's two proposed steps, namely the establishment of an ASEAN Troika consisting of past, current and incoming ASEAN Chairs to coordinate and monitor the implementation of ASEAN Five-point Consensus and the convening of a Consultative Meeting to map out effective way to timely distribute humanitarian assistance to people in urgent need in Myanmar. Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri bin Yaakob expressed concurrence in principle to Cambodia's proposals and agreed that



ASEAN Senior Officials and Foreign Ministers should be tasked to further deliberate on these steps. His Excellency the Prime Minister of Malaysia underlined Malaysia's readiness to support the effort of the ASEAN Chair's Special Envoy to achieve substantive progress on the Five-point consensus so as to enable full participation of Myanmar in the ASEAN Community building process.

In concluding the conversation, Samdech Techo Hun Sen cordially invited His Excellency Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri bin Yaakob to pay an official visit to Cambodia at a convenient time without waiting until his trip to Cambodia for the 40th and 41st ASEAN Summits. Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri bin Yaakob accepted the invitation with pleasure. 

Phnom Penh, 25 January 2022

