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On the Outcomes of the Meeting between H.E. SOK Soken, Cambodia SOM Leader for CICA and H.E. Ambassador Kairat SARYBAY. Executive Director of CICA Secretariat

4 April 2022

On the morning of 4 April 2022, **His Excellency SOK Soken**, Secretary of State of Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and Cambodia's Senior Official's Leader for the Conference on Interaction and Confidence building Measures in Asia (CICA), and on behalf of **His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation**, had a meeting with **His Excellency Ambassador Kairat SARYBAY**, Executive Director of CICA Secretariat.

As the meeting coincided with the CICA Senior Officials Committee Meeting (SOC) and the preparation of the 6th CICA Summit, **H.E. SOK Soken** expressed his sincere appreciation to the CICA Secretariat for hosting a successful meeting. He reiterated Cambodia's efforts and commitments toward the CICA process and expressed his conviction that CICA has been one of the cornerstones and effective multilateral platforms for political dialogue and interaction that contributed to peace, security, and development in Asia. His Excellency also congratulated CICA on achieving another milestone by marking its 30th Anniversary this year and pointed out that CICA is more relevant than ever amidst the current uncertainty of international landscape.

In response, H.E. Executive Director thanked Cambodia for her imperative commitment to CICA process since joining CICA membership in 2011. He also handed the official invitation of **H.E. Mr. Kassym-Jomart TOKAYEY**. Proceeding of the Republic of Kazakhstan addressed to **Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN**, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia to attendible 6th CICA Summit to be held on 12-13 October 2022 in Nur-Sultan, Republic of Kazakhstan.

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Following the meeting with H.E. Secretary of State, H.E. Executive Director also had separate meetings with **H.E. Dr. SOK Siphana**, Senior Advisor to the Royal Government of Cambodia and Cambodia's Eminent Person for CICA and representatives of the Asian Vision Institute (AVI), Cambodia's Think Tank for the CICA Think Tank Forum.

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