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**PRESS STATEMENT OF
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND
INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

**“The incursions of drones into Cambodian airspace constitute a blatant and
intolerable violation of Cambodia’s sovereignty and territorial integrity”**

Phnom Penh, 28 June 2023 - The Royal Government of Cambodia has been closely monitoring the recent incidents that occurred at Daklak province, Vietnam and considered the attacks carried out by illegal armed forces on the Police Offices in Ea Tieu and Ea Ktur Communes as acts of terrorism, which posed significant threats to the safety and stability of its friendly neighbour country.

In the spirit of unwavering adherence to upholding the principles of sovereignty and prohibition of utilizing the Cambodian territory by any hostile armed group against a friendly neighbouring country, Cambodia has been actively collaborating with Vietnamese authorities and armed forces to preclude the future reoccurrence.

In the aftermath of these events, Cambodia has received reports from competent authorities and armed forces along the provinces bordering Vietnam, particularly Ratanakiri and Mondulakiri provinces, regarding frequent encroachments into Cambodian airspace by unidentified drones, starting from 27 June 2023. These actions perpetrated by the unidentified armed groups represent a blatant and intolerable violation of the Cambodian sovereignty and territorial integrity. The Royal

Government of Cambodia has exercised its right to self-defence and taken firm and proportionate military measures to thwart any future incursions into Cambodian airspace.

Once the origin of these drones is determined, the Royal Government of Cambodia will undertake legal and diplomatic actions to register its strong protest against such encroachments on Cambodia's sovereignty and territorial integrity. END