

Announcement

The Cambodian Human Rights Committee (CHRC) wishes to inform the public that, according to a report by *The Nation Thailand* dated 13 October 2025, a senior official at the Office of the Attorney-General, the second person to publicly acknowledge this issue after Senator Angkhana Neelapaijit, has recognized that the use of disturbing sounds as a form of psychological intimidation and harassment along the Cambodia—Thailand border constitutes a violation of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CAT), and it is a serious violation of human rights.

The CHRC would like to quote the following excerpt:

"The senior official at the Office of the Attorney-General, who requested anonymity due to fear of public backlash, said that playing frightening sound effects — such as ghost movie audio, tank noises and F-16 jet sounds — against Cambodian nationals could be interpreted as violating Thailand's international obligations under the CAT, which the country has ratified."

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