



KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA
NATION RELIGION KING

**MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

No. PR 77 /2025 MFA.IC

PRESS RELEASE

**Russian Ambassador Anatoly Borovik
calls on Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn**

On the morning of 19 December 2025, His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister **PRAK Sokhonn**, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, exchanged views on enhancing Cambodia–Russia bilateral relations with His Excellency **Anatoly Borovik**, Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Cambodia, during a courtesy call at the Ministry.

His Excellency the Deputy Prime Minister expressed high regard for the longstanding traditional ties between Cambodia and Russia, noting the upcoming 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the two countries in 2026. Both sides agreed to continue strengthening bilateral cooperation in all fields for mutual benefit.

His Excellency the Deputy Prime Minister also apprised Ambassador Borovik of the gravity of the Cambodia–Thailand conflict and thanked the Ambassador for his condolences on the loss of lives and sympathies for the affected civilian. Sharing concerns over the serious impact of fake news and misinformation, both sides dismissed the unfounded media report alleging that Russian citizens are serving as mercenaries in Cambodia.

His Excellency the Deputy Prime Minister expressed appreciation to Ambassador Borovik for supporting an immediate ceasefire and a return to a peaceful resolution. He thanked the Embassy of the Russian Federation for its contribution to relief efforts for displaced families through the Cambodian Red Cross.

Phnom Penh, 20 December 2025

