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**Diplomatic Briefing on the Latest Developments of  
the Cambodia-Thailand Border Situation**

On the afternoon of 25 December 2025, **His Excellency NONG Sakal**, Under Secretary of State of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MFAIC), held a diplomatic briefing for representatives of all Diplomatic Missions and United Nations Resident Coordinator accredited to Cambodia to provide latest updates on the evolving situation along the Cambodia-Thailand border.

During the session, Under Secretary of State NONG Sakal briefed the outcomes of the Special ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Meeting, held on 22 December 2025 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He highlighted that **His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn**, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, had reaffirmed Cambodia's unwavering commitment to the 28 July 2025 ceasefire and the Kuala Lumpur Joint Declaration of 26 October 2025. The Deputy Prime Minister noted that despite exercising maximum restraint, including refraining from responding for more than 24 hours after the initial attack on 7 December, Cambodia continued to face unprovoked military aggression. To de-escalate tensions, he underscored at the Special AMM in Kuala Lumpur that Cambodia had proposed three practical measures, such as (1) **an immediate cessation of all hostilities** and full respect for and implementation of the ceasefire agreement of 28 July 2025 and the Kuala Lumpur Joint Declaration of 26 October 2025, as well as other agreements reached under this framework; (2) **the readjustment of armed forces of both countries** - back to their positions prior to the outbreak of hostilities, and the safe and dignified return, without obstruction, of civilians residing in the affected border areas to their homes; and (3) **settlement of disputes**, including border demarcation, exclusively through peaceful means, in full conformity with international law, the UN Charter, the ASEAN Charter and the TAC, and existing treaties and agreements between Cambodia and Thailand, including the immediate resumption of the full implementation of the Kuala Lumpur Joint Declaration.





Regarding bilateral mechanisms, His Excellency NONG Sakal informed the diplomatic corps of the convening of the General Border Committee (GBC) Secretariat on 24 December 2025 at the Prum–Ban Pak Kard border checkpoint. He described the meeting as a crucial preparatory step for the 3rd Special GBC Meeting, scheduled for 27 December 2025, with the primary objective of ensuring a cessation of hostilities and restoring peace. He emphasized that Cambodia had stressed the necessity of strengthening the role of the ASEAN Observer Team (AOT) to ensure the effective implementation and verification of the ceasefire. He also expressed hope for a positive outcome from this important meeting.

Regarding the ongoing military confrontation, His Excellency the Under Secretary of State took note that the conflict has entered its 19th day since 7 December 2025. He apprised the participants of the Thai armed forces' intensifying strikes, utilizing highly destructive weaponry, including fighter jets, cluster munitions, and toxic chemical agents, reaching over 100 kilometers deep into Cambodian territory. He also highlighted the devastating impact on civilians, with 30 deaths, 87 injuries, and the displacement of over 630,000 people as of 25 December 2025. He further noted the extensive destruction of infrastructure, private property, public buildings, ancient temples, and World Heritage sites. He recalled that the Cambodian Human Rights Committee (CHRC) has condemned these acts as war crimes and crimes against humanity, and the CHRC is preparing urgent appeals to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to ensure full legal accountability for these grave violations. He also affirmed that Cambodia continues to demand the immediate and unconditional release of 18 Cambodian soldiers still held captive.

On landmine issue, he underscored that Thailand has been deliberately exploiting the issue of landmines through unverified images, staged displays, and unilateral military narratives as a political smokescreen, to deflect attention from its use of air power against civilians, and to distract the international community from its invasion of Cambodian territory.

In closing, His Excellency NONG Sakal underlined that Cambodia remains firmly and consistently committed to an immediate ceasefire and to the preservation of peace and stability, while exercising maximum restraint and continuing to prioritize dialogue, diplomacy, and peaceful solutions over confrontation and conflict.



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