

PRESS RELEASE

The **State Secretariat of Border Affairs** has the honor to inform all compatriots and national and international public that the special meeting of the Joint Boundary Commission (JBC) of the two sides, scheduled to be held in the first week of January 2026 in Siem Reap, at the request of the Cambodian Joint Boundary Commission (JBC) on 28 December 2025, has been postponed by the Thai side, citing the reason of waiting for internal procedures.

In response, the Cambodian side has once again requested the Thai side, through a Note Verbale dated 5 January 2026, to convene a special meeting of the Cambodia-Thailand Thailand-Cambodia Joint Boundary Commission (JBC) in the second or third week of January 2026 in Siem Reap Province, with the aim of discussing issues as follows:

1. To discuss the survey and demarcation works, as well as address the issue that Thai military forces have been conducting activities violating Cambodia's territorial integrity and sovereignty by laying barbed wire, placing containers, planting Thai flags, building trenches, clearing and destroying the homes and property of Cambodian citizens, and prohibiting Cambodian citizens from returning to live in their homes.
2. To resume the work progress of survey and the emplacement of temporary markers on the terrain in the segment between Boundary Pillars No. 42–47, located in the areas of Chouk Chey Village and Prey Chan Village, O Bei Chorn Commune, O Chrov District, Banteay Meanchey Province, and in the segment between Boundary Pillars No. 52–59, located in Boeng Reang Commune and Kam Rieng Commune, Kam Rieng District, Battambang Province.
3. To discuss on the survey and the emplacement of temporary markers on the terrain in the segments between Boundary Pillars No. 33–37 (Boeung Trakuon area), Thmor Da International Point of Entry (Thmor Da Commune, Veal Veng District, Pursat Province), the O Phluk Domrei border area (Thmor Da Commune, Veal Veng District, Pursat Province), the Chor 1 border area (Thmor Da Commune, Veal Veng District, Pursat Province), and other border areas.
4. To dispatch Joint Survey Teams to carry out survey and demarcation works on the terrain in the segment between the agreed exact locations of the Boundary Pillars (the stream and straight boundary line), in accordance with the spirit of the Agreed Minutes of the 6th Meeting of the Cambodia–Thailand Joint Commission on Demarcation for Land Boundary (JBC) dated 15 June 2025 in Phnom Penh.

On this occasion, **the State Secretariat of Border Affairs** wishes to reaffirm to compatriots and the national and international public that the JBC (Cambodian Side) firmly upholds its position in safeguarding the Cambodia–Thailand International Boundary as inherited from the Commissions of Delimitation of the Boundary between Indo-China and Siam, in full respect of international law, the principle of intangibility of frontiers (*Uti possidetis juris*), the Franco–Siamese conventions and treaties, the maps and the procès-verbaux of the Commission of the Abornement of the Boundary between Indo-China and Siam, as well as all relevant agreements and documents mutually agreed upon by both parties. In this regard, the JBC (Cambodian Side) will continue to conduct land surveying and boundary demarcation works with the JBC (Thai Side), at the earliest, with a view

to achieving lasting peace along the border and will not recognize any alteration of the boundary line resulting from the use of force.

The State Secretariat of Border Affairs hereby calls upon compatriots and the general public to place their full trust and confidence in the Royal Government of Cambodia and the Joint Commission on Demarcation for Land Boundary-JBC (Cambodian Side), which steadfastly uphold the highest standards of professionalism and responsibility, and consistently place the supreme national interest at the forefront, particularly with regard to the safeguarding of territorial integrity and national sovereignty.

The foregoing information is hereby conveyed for the information of compatriots and the general public.

Phnom Penh, 5 January 2026
State Secretariat of Border Affairs