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**Cambodia Protests against Thai Military's Persistent Violations of Cambodian
Sovereignty and Territorial Integrity**

The Royal Government of Cambodia has formally lodged a strong protest against Thailand's continued violations of Cambodia's sovereignty and territorial integrity along the border.

Between 5 and 7 July 2026, Thai armed forces excavated the earth to construct an earthen embankment and laid barbed wire running from north to south of Boundary Pillar No. 14 in Sangkat O Smach, Samraong City, Oddar Meanchey Province. Later, on 9 July 2026, Thai armed forces encroached upon Cambodian territory to lay barbed wire in the area of Boundary Pillar No. 22 in Thmor Daun Village, Kork Morn Commune, Banteay Ampil District, Oddar Meanchey Province.

These activities constitute a clear violation of Cambodia's sovereignty and territorial integrity as defined and delimited by the 1:200.000-scale maps produced by the Commissions of Delimitation of the Boundary between Indo-China and Siam, pursuant to the Franco-Siamese Convention of 1904 and the Treaty of 1907. These activities also breach Article 5 of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Kingdom of Cambodia and the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand on the Survey and Demarcation of the Land Boundary (MoU 2000), signed on 14 June 2000, and Point 2 and Point 6 of Item I (De-escalation Measures) of the Joint Statement of the 3rd Special Meeting of the General Border Committee (GBC) on 27 December 2025.

The Royal Government of Cambodia reiterates that it does not recognize any boundary line or territorial claim unilaterally asserted by Thailand, and that the aforementioned activities shall not prejudice the legal rights or position of the Kingdom of Cambodia regarding its international boundary.



The Royal Government of Cambodia urges Thailand to cease such activities in the above-mentioned areas, as well as any other areas unlawfully occupied by Thai forces since last year, with a view to de-escalating the situation, fostering mutual trust, facilitating peaceful settlement of disputes, thereby restoring peace, stability and good-neighbourly relations along the Cambodia-Thailand border.

Cambodia remains committed to resolving all boundary disputes with Thailand, as with all its neighbours, exclusively through peaceful means, in line with international law and existing bilateral agreements, while firmly upholding its principled position that borderlines must not be changed by force.

Phnom Penh, 10 July 2026

