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Outcomes of the First Bilateral Consultations between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark

On the morning of 30 October 2026, **H.E. Mr. NONG Sakal**, Under Secretary of State of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia, and **Mr. Christian Tobias Bayer Tygesen**, Director of the Department for Asia, Oceania, Latin America and the Caribbean of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark, co-chaired the First Bilateral Consultations between Cambodia and Denmark, which was held in Phnom Penh at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Cambodia. The consultations were also attended by representatives of relevant ministries.

During the consultations, both sides exchanged updates on the political, economic and social developments in their respective countries and highlighted key policy priorities. They discussed opportunities to further expand bilateral cooperation in areas of mutual interest, including trade, investment, education, healthcare, tourism and culture.

Both sides reaffirmed the strong and growing partnership between Cambodia and Denmark and expressed confidence that the consultations had laid a solid foundation for deepening bilateral relations. They reiterated their commitment to strengthening cooperation and maintaining regular dialogue to further advance friendship and partnership between the two countries.

The two sides emphasized the importance of promoting practical cooperation that contributes to socio-economic development and enhances diplomatic relations. In the areas of trade and investment, they underscored the value of strengthening private-sector linkages, identifying new investment opportunities, promoting business activities, and facilitating greater trade and investment flows, particularly in high-potential sectors such as energy, agriculture, agro-processing, and water resources management, with a view to

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supporting sustainable economic growth. The Danish side also acknowledged Cambodia's socio-economic achievements and its aspiration to graduate from Least Developed Country (LDC) status by 2029.

The consultations also provided an opportunity to exchange views on cooperation within multilateral frameworks, particularly ASEAN-Denmark and Cambodia-European Union relations, as well as on regional and international issues of mutual interest. In this context, both sides reaffirmed their commitment to multilateralism and international law. Cambodian side briefed Danish counterpart on Cambodia-Thailand border situation and reaffirmed Cambodia's commitment to resolving disputes through peaceful means in accordance with international law and existing agreements.

On the occasion of this meeting, both sides signed a Memorandum of Understanding on the Establishment of Bilateral Consultations between the Two Ministries of Foreign Affairs.

The consultations concluded successfully in a warm and cordial atmosphere. The outcomes reflected the shared commitment of Cambodia and Denmark to further strengthening bilateral relations and established an important framework for regular dialogue, enhanced cooperation, and the advancement of common objectives. The Second Bilateral Consultations will be held in Denmark.

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