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Cambodia Protests against Thailand's Continued Violations of Cambodian Sovereignty and Territorial Integrity

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

On 19 November 2026, Air Chief Marshal Prapas Sornchaidee of Thailand led a delegation of Thai inter-agency officials and media personnel on a visit to several sites in the An Ses area, Choam Ksan District, Preah Vihear Province, including two Cambodian civilian structures located deep within Cambodian territory. This unauthorized field visit, conducted without the consent of the Royal Government of Cambodia, constitutes a further attempt to assert illegitimate claims over Cambodian sovereign territory, illegally occupied by Thai armed forces since the ceasefire of 27 December 2025.

On 21 November 2026, Thai armed forces also constructed an additional fortified military bunker in the Boeung Trakoun area of Kork Romiet Commune, Thmar Pouk District, Banteay Meanchey Province. The following day, 22 November 2026, Thai armed forces used heavy machinery to build a road and transported concrete columns to a site in the same area.

The Royal Government of Cambodia strongly protests against these activities, which clearly violate Cambodia's sovereign territory as defined and delimited by the 1:200,000-scale maps produced by the Commission of Delimitation of the Boundary between Indo-China and Siam, pursuant to the Franco-Siamese Convention of 1904 and the Treaty of 1907.

The abovementioned activities also violate 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, signed on 14 June 2000, and Item I (De-escalation Measures) of the Joint Statement of the 3rd Special Meeting of the General Border Committee (GBC) on 27 December 2025.

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

The Royal Government of Cambodia demands that Thailand cease all such unlawful activities, refrain from further unilateral actions, and work to de-escalate tensions, foster mutual trust, and preserve peace and good neighbourliness along the 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, 23 November 2026