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On 18 August 2021, at the invitation of **His Excellency Dato Lim Jock Hoi**, Secretary-General of ASEAN, **His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn**, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Cambodia, together with other ASEAN Foreign Ministers and Representatives of ASEAN Member States attended via videoconference the Pledging Conference to Support ASEAN's Humanitarian Assistance in Myanmar. Representatives of ASEAN external partners and friends also attended the Conference.

ASEAN Secretariat and the ASEAN Coordinating Center for Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Management (AHA Center) presented a two-pronged approach in providing humanitarian assistance to Myanmar, namely Life-Saving in phase 1 and Life-Sustaining in phase 2. The conference emphasized the importance of an urgent and well-coordinated delivery of assistance to the health services in Myanmar to curb the spread of the COVID-19 and provide the necessary care to those infected, and also to alleviate the hardship of vulnerable and remote communities. The participants expressed support for ASEAN's efforts to mobilze humanitarian assistance for Myanmar in line with point four of the Five-point Consensus reached at ASEAN Leaders' Meeting on 24 April 2021. They made pledges of a significant amount of financial and in-kind contributions including vaccines, mainly for the operationalization of phase 1 relief.

His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn informed the conference of Cambodia's contribution of USD 100,000 to support humanitarian assistance to Myanmar through the AHA Centre. He also recalled Cambodia's earlier support for Myanmar effort to fight COVID-19, which include 2 million face masks and other medical

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supplies provided in November 2020 and contribution prior to the Conference of USD 200,000 in cash and supplies of 3 million Face Masks, 500,000 Rapid-Test kits, Personal Protection Equipment- PPE 2.000 sets, 100 units of Oxygen Concentrator, 20 units of Ventilator Machine and 20 units of Patient Monitor and Accessories to be delivered to Myanmar on 19 August 2021. In addition, Cambodian Red Cross is donating USD 100, 000 to the Myanmar Red Cross Society as well.

