Dear Secretary of State

I am writing in response to your letter dated 6 October 2021 (received 13.19 GMT today), which has been seen by the editor-in-chief Katharine Viner and referred to me in my role as Readers' Editor (internal ombudsman).

I can reassure you that the error was notified to me by the Guardian's own editorial staff yesterday and the article was amended and footnoted accordingly. You can see the updated version of the article in which the reference to Prime Minister Hun Sen appeared here.

The article is additionally scheduled to be listed in our Corrections and Clarification column online later today (publication time 20:00 GMT).

The editor regrets the concern caused to Prime Minister Hun Sen but it is hoped the prompt action to rectify this error provides a satisfactory resolution.

Yours sincerely

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