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Outcomes of the Telephone Conversation between

His Excellency PRAK Sokhonn, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and

International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia, with

His Excellency Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar,

Minister of External Affairs of the Republic of India

On January 10, 2022

In the afternoon of 10 January 2022, His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia, had a telephone conversation with His Excellency Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar, Minister of External Affairs of the Republic of India, to discuss bilateral relations and cooperation between Cambodia and India as well as regional issues of common interest and concerns.

The two Foreign Ministers noted with satisfaction the progress of bilateral cooperation between the two countries and reaffirmed their joint commitment to working more closely to further strengthen and deepen the relations in both bilateral and multilateral frameworks for mutual benefits of the two countries and for peace, stability and prosperity in the region, especially during Cambodia's ASEAN Chairmanship in 2022.

To commemorate the 70th Anniversary of the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between the Kingdom of Cambodia and the Republic of India in 2022, the two Foreign Ministers agreed to exchange visits and jointly organize meaningful events in their respective country. His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn also stated

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Address: No 3, Samdech HUN Sen Street, Sangkat Tonle Bassac, Khan Chamkarmon Phnom Penh, Kingdom of Cambodia that His Excellency Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar's visit to Cambodia will be a good opportunity for His Excellency to co-chair the Third Meeting of the Cambodia-India Joint Commission to be held in Siem Reap, Cambodia.

The two Foreign Ministers also expressed their delight with the progress of cooperation within the frameworks of the ASEAN-India Dialogue Relations and Mekong-Ganga Cooperation. His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister expressed high appreciation to India for her active contribution to the Mekong region and assistance extended to Cambodia through Quick Impact Projects under Mekong-Ganga Cooperation Initiative in the field of agriculture, environment, health, rural development, education and culture.

His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn and His Excellency Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar also exchanged views on the recent developments in Myanmar and shared the view that ASEAN plays a crucial role to assist Myanmar in finding peaceful solution to the crisis through the effective implementation of the ASEAN Five-Point Consensus. His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister briefed His Excellency Minister of External Affairs of India the positive outcomes of the working visit of Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar on 07-08 January 2022. His Excellency Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar mentioned that as a neighboring country to Myanmar, India is monitoring the situation in the country closely, and highly valued the important role played by Cambodia as the Chair of ASEAN this year.

The telephone conversation was concluded in a cordial atmosphere of friendship and mutual understanding.

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