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Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, will lead a high delegation to attend the ASEAN-Australia Special Summit, to be held from 16 to 18 March 2018, in Sydney, at the invitation of the Honourable Malcolm Turnbull , Prime Minister of Australia.

The Cambodian dignitaries to accompany Samdech Techo Prime Minister include His Excellency Prak Sokhonn, Senior Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, His Excellency Dr. Om Yentieng, Senior Minister, Vice President of the National Secretariat of the National Counter-Terrorism Committee, and President of the Anti-Corruption Unit, His Excellency Pan Sorasak, Minister of Commerce, as well as other members of the Royal Government of Cambodia.

In the framework of the ASEAN-Australia Special Summit, Samdech Techo Prime Minister, together with other ASEAN and Australian Leaders, will preside over the signing ceremony of the Memorandum of Understanding between ASEAN and Australia for Cooperation to Combat International Terrorism, by H.E. Pehin Dato Lim Jock Hoi, Secretary-General of ASEAN, and the Honourable Julie Bishop, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia. The Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove, Governor-General of Australia, will host a luncheon for ASEAN Leaders.

The Leaders will separately meet with Australian students who are studying in ASEAN Countries under the New Colombo Plan and ASEAN Students who are studying in Australia under Australia's scholarship.

This ASEAN-Australia Special Summit will provide an important opportunity for the ASEAN Leaders and Australian Prime Minister to have frank and candid discussions on various topics of common interest, and to share their thought and vision on the future direction of the ASEAN-Australia relations.

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On the sidelines of the ASEAN-Australia Special Summit, Samdech Techo HUN SEN will hold bilateral talks with the Honourable Malcolm Turnbull, Prime Minister of Australia, and attend a working breakfast with His Excellency Nguyen Xuan Phuc, Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, and His Excellency Dr. Thongloun Sisoulith, Prime Minister of the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

While in Australia, Samdech Techo Prime Minister will visit the Sydney Opera House, meet with Cambodian community as well as former Australian and Cambodian students.

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