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"Outcome of the Participation of Her Excellency YENTIENG Puthirasmey, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, at the Foreign Ministers' Session of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Voice of Global South Summit"

As the high representative of His Excellency SOK Chenda Sophea, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Cambodia, Her Excellency YENTIENG Puthirasmey, Secretary of State, attended the Foreign Ministers' Session of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Voice of Global South Summit, under the theme "India and Global South: Emerging together for a better future", held virtually on 17 November 2023.

This Summit was hosted by the Government of India, while the Session was chaired by His Excellency Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar, Minister of External Affairs of the Republic of India and attended by Foreign Ministers from 16 countries from Asia-Pacific and Africa.

During the Session, participating Foreign Ministers expressed their views on the need for reform of global multilateral institutions to reflect contemporary realities, upholding the respect for international law, developing a new paradigm of a 21<sup>st</sup> Century welfare state and the need for greater South-South and triangular cooperation to ensure that developing countries are better integrated into global value chains.

In her statement at the Foreign Ministers' Session, Her Excellency YENTIENG
Puthirasmey mentioned the security challenges and geopolitical risks facing the Global
South. She also highlighted the importance of unity of the global south in denouncing
external interference and violation of sovereign right of each state. With solidarity, the
Global South has the power to push for promotion and consolidation of global peace.

through faithful observance of the principles of international law and the United Nations Charter.

Her Excellency Secretary of State emphasized that by working together, Global South can create complementarities or synergies of their best practices for mutual benefits and address common challenges. Promoting FDI and international trade, enhancing capacity building, accelerating digital economy and expanding cooperation in new socio-economic sectors are important for fostering sustainable economic growth and enhance the resilience of regional and global value chains.

In this regard, she reaffirmed Cambodia's commitment in working with Global South countries to further strengthen the meaningful role of Global South to ensure lasting peace and sustainable development.

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