

## Updates on the situation of the Cambodia-Thailand border

29 August 2025

### I. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Cambodia—

- On August 27, 2025, H.E. Keo Chhea, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Cambodia to the United Nations, met with H.E. António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations, where H.E. Keo Chhea briefed the UNSG of the ongoing situation of the Cambodia–Thailand border conflict.
  - H.E. António Guterres expressed his great concern about the current situation of the Cambodia-Thailand border conflict. He also urged that both sides respect the ceasefire.
  - H.E. Ambassador emphasized that Cambodia has consistently respected the ceasefire agreement reached between the two sides.
  - H.E. Ambassador also raised the concern on the issue of the laying of the barbed wire fences by the Thai military forces, highlighting that the fences “cut across Cambodian villages, forcing Cambodian residents—who have long lived there—out of their homes and destroying their houses.”
  - H.E. Keo Chhea also reiterated Cambodia’s stance concerning anti-personnel mines that “Cambodia has not laid any new mines as alleged by Thailand. The mines present in Cambodia are old remnants left from Cambodia’s civil war; the fact that has already been explained to relevant UN institutions.” He also shared some “photographic evidence showing Thai soldiers laying barbed wire cutting across Cambodian

villages, as well as explanatory photos prepared by CMAC, distinguishing between old mines and new ones.”

## II. The Spokesperson of the Royal Government of Cambodia —

- The Spokesperson took note of the effect of the Ceasefire agreement between Cambodia and Thailand that had turned exactly one month old on August 28, 2025. He highlighted that “during this one full month of implementing the ceasefire, although the situation remains fragile, many efforts have been made by Cambodia, Thailand, and other relevant parties, resulting in continuous positive outcomes that have avoided armed clashes up to the present,” emphasized that had there been no ceasefire, a huge tragedy would befallen upon both nations and peoples.”
- In this spirit, the Spokesperson underscored that it is essential to “appreciate the true value of the ceasefire, and the value of patience shown by all parties—especially by [Cambodian] leaders, who place the well-being of the people as their utmost priority.”
- On August 26, 2025, Samdech Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister, wrote a congratulatory letter to H.E. Anwar Ibrahim on the occasion of the 68<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Malaysia’s National Day. Samdech Thipadei took the opportunity “to express deep gratitude for Malaysia’s ongoing support and proactive engagement in helping to resolve the Cambodia-Thailand border dispute, in its capacity as an ASEAN Chair 2025.” The letter also highlighted that Malaysia’s contribution “has brought new hope for lasting peace” in the region.

## III. The Ministry of National Defence of Cambodia—

- It has been **31 days** since **18** Cambodian military personnel have been held in unlawful custody by the Thai side, counting from the morning of July 29, 2025, a few hours right after the Ceasefire came into effect.