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**Outcomes of the Telephone Conversation between
Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister of Cambodia
and His Excellency Joko Widodo, President of Indonesia**

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On 21 January 2022, **Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN**, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, had a telephone conversation with **His Excellency Joko Widodo**, President of the Republic of Indonesia.

Samdech Techo Prime Minister informed **His Excellency the President of Indonesia** that his working visit to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar from 7-8 January 2022 was made with an aim to advance the implementation of the Five-Point Consensus (5-PC). **Samdech Prime Minister** was of the view that what was needed in Myanmar was a long-term and comprehensive political resolution. The visit of **Samdech** in Myanmar achieved some major results, including the agreement of State Administration Council (SAC) to extend the ceasefire till the end of this year and to end violence; to support the ASEAN Chair's Special Envoy to carry out the Five-Point Consensus (5-PC) and to meet all parties concerned; to facilitate the convening of the meeting with all stakeholders to ensure that the humanitarian assistance provision and the vaccination roll-out will be conducted in a safe and indiscriminate manner to the Myanmar people who need the most; and to reconsider the case of professor SEAN Turnell when the legal process ends.

Samdech Techo Prime Minister also informed **His Excellency Joko Widodo** that in order to advance the implementation of the 5-PC and the results of **Samdech's** recent visit to Myanmar, **Samdech Techo** proposed the ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Retreat Meeting to be convened in the near future to discuss two initiatives, namely



(1) the Establishment of the ASEAN Troika Mechanism, which consists of Brunei (former ASEAN chair), Cambodia (current ASEAN chair) and Indonesia (next ASEAN chair) and the ASEAN Secretary-General, to coordinate and monitor the implementation of the 5-PC. This mechanism and the ASEAN Chair's Special Envoy will have a Group of Observers composing of diplomats from the nine ASEAN member states' embassies in Myanmar to support the 5-PC implementation. This observer group is an Indonesian initiative supported by Cambodia. (2). The Consultation meeting to discuss humanitarian assistance and vaccination arrangements for the people of Myanmar without discrimination. **Samdech Techo** also supported Brunei's initiative to form the "Friends of Myanmar" group to support the work of ASEAN and Myanmar.

Regarding the Rohingya's issue, **Samdech Techo** informed **His Excellency the President** that we should consider pushing their repatriation from Bangladesh to Myanmar with safety, speediness and dignity as discussed during the recent telephone conversation between **His Excellency PRAK Sokhonn**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Cambodia, with **His Excellency Dr. A.K. Abdul Momen, M.P.**, Honourable Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Samdech Techo also informed **His Excellency the President** that in the meeting with **Her Excellency Noeleen Heyzer**, Special Envoy of the UN Secretary-General on Myanmar, **Samdech Techo** requested her to cooperate closely with the ASEAN Chair's Special Envoy to facilitate the cooperation between ASEAN and the United Nations in finding a solution to the Myanmar Crisis. **Samdech Techo** also stressed that ASEAN still has many other prioritized tasks to deal with, not only the Myanmar issue, and ASEAN should not be a hostage to the Myanmar issue.

In response, **President Joko Widodo** informed **Samdech Techo Prime Minister** that **Samdech's** recent visit to Myanmar was beneficial and clearly showed **Samdech's** strong endeavours to fulfill his duties as the Chair of ASEAN this year. Encouraging ASEAN Chair's Special Envoy to meet with all stakeholders was a necessary task and, more importantly, to find a political solution that is acceptable by all parties in



Myanmar. **His Excellency the President** thanked **Samdech Techo** for the initiative to establish the **ASEAN Troika Mechanism** to further the progress in the implementation of 5-PC and supported the discussion by ASEAN Foreign Ministers on the establishment of an observer group to ensure the effectiveness in carrying out the works. **The Indonesian President** underlined that without significant progress on the implementation of the 5-PC, Myanmar's representative should be kept in the format decided for the past ASEAN summits.

The two Leaders were committed to work together in moving ASEAN forwards and to explore ways to address the Myanmar Crisis.

The telephone conversation between **Samdech Techo Prime Minister** and **His Excellency the President of Indonesia** was conducted in a cordial, frank and constructive atmosphere.



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