

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Cambodian FM Confers Royal Order of Sahametrey on German Ambassador

His Excellency **Prak Sokhonn**, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, in recognition of His Excellency **Christian Berger**'s distinguished and honorable mission as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Kingdom of Cambodia, conferred on the Envoy, on behalf of the Royal Government of Cambodia, the highest distinction of the **Royal Order of Sahametrey** reserved for foreign Dignitaries, the Class of **Maha Serey Wathana**, while receiving a farewell call by the latter on 27 June 2022.

Ambassador Christian Berger expressed his pride and great pleasure with the award bestowed on him and appreciated the existing good relations between both countries. Deputy PM Prak Sokhonn thanked the government of Germany for continued assistance to Cambodia and appreciated achievements for the benefit of the bilateral ties registered during Ambassador Christian Berger's tenure in Cambodia.

Deputy PM Prak Sokhonn and Ambassador Christian Berger shared satisfaction with the fruitful relations and cooperation between the two countries, including the signing of the Joint Declaration of Intent on Bilateral Consultations between the two Ministries of Foreign Affairs as well as the holding of the 1st bilateral consultations in Phnom Penh earlier this year as an encouragement in this direction. They expressed hope that it would be maintained and further enhanced.

Deputy PM Prak Sokhonn recalled the warm welcome and the meeting he had with Minister for Foreign Affairs Her Excellency Annalena Baerbock, during his official visit to Germany on 23-24 February 2022, in which both sides had a good discussion on the bilateral relations and some regional and international issues of common interests.

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