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Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia Chambres extraordinaires au sein des tribunaux cambodgiens

## ព្រះវាសិសាខ គ្រួនទ្ធុ ស សិនិ សាសលា ព្រះមហាគ្យគ្រ

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## **INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

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Date:

15 August 2019

Subject:

Termination of Court funded legal aid for the NUON Chea Defence team

- 1. As per the death certificate published on 7 August 2018 on the ECCC website, the accused in case 002/02, Mr. NUON Chea, passed away on 4 August 2019. Mr. NUON Chea received legal assistance for his defence according to the Legal Assistance Scheme of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia ("LAS"), as he was determined to be "indigent" or "partially indigent" by the Defence Support Section ("DSS") in line with Rule 11 (6) of the Internal Rules of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia.
- 2. Court funded legal aid for representation before the Extraordinary Chambers is provided for eligible indigent persons only. Eligibility for financial aid ceases with the demise of such person.
- 3. Please be informed that on 9 August 2019, DSS notified Nuon Chea's Co-Lawyers and legal consultants of the decision to terminate Court funded legal aid. The contracts of Co-Lawyers will lapse on 31 August 2019. The contracts of legal consultants will be terminated effective 23 August 2019.
- 4. Please note that the continued recognition of Mr NUON Chea's Co-Lawyers remains a judicial matter for the Supreme Court Chamber.

Sincerely yours.