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Dear Judge Nil Nonn,

I have the honour to refer to your letter to the Secretary-General, dated 10 July 2009, concerning a transcript of the 30 March 2009 daily press briefing by the Spokesperson for the Secretary-General, which refers to alleged corruption by Cambodian judges of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC).

I confirm that this aspect of the statement by the Spokesperson was inaccurate. I note that the Spokesperson made a further statement on 31 March 2009, which clarified that the review by the United Nations Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) concerns allegations of corruption among officials on the Cambodian side of the Administration of the ECCC. The statement made on 30 March 2009 was retracted by the Spokesperson at the noon briefing on 28 July 2009, followed by an explanation that we have no information to suggest that there has been or is corruption among any of the judges of the ECCC, nor information that would suggest that the ECCC judicial process is in any way prejudiced by corruption.

In your letter, you refer to the fact that there are requests before the ECCC for disclosure of the OIOS review. I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that we will follow the United Nations standard procedures for consultation among the relevant departments and with the Royal Government of Cambodia before taking a decision on whether the review should be disclosed or not.

Yours sincerely,



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President of the Trial Chamber  
Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia  
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