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Seat Registration for the Case 002 Initial Hearing Begins

The Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia has begun registration of seats for the initial hearing in the court's second case, scheduled on 27-30 June, concerning the accused Nuon Chea, Khieu Samphan, Ieng Sary and Ieng Thirith.

In order to ensure order in the courtroom, the ECCC has made tentative seating arrangements for the 482-seat public gallery as follows.

- 1) Civil Parties: Up to 100 seats are tentatively set aside for the civil parties in case 002 who wish to observe the proceedings inside the public gallery. Advance registration must be made through the ECCC's Victim Support Section.
- 2) **Groups: At least 220 seats** are allocated for groups of Cambodians from across the country. The ECCC's Public Affairs Section will be pre-arranging transport for the groups.
- **3)** NGO representatives: Up to 30 seats are tentatively allocated for representatives of national and international NGOs who have closely worked for the Khmer Rouge tribunal. Advance registration is required.
- 4) Diplomats, Officials and Scholars: Up to 60 seats are tentatively set aside for representatives of donor countries and the Cambodian Government as well as acclaimed scholars specialized in the Khmer Rouge tribunal. Advance registration is required.
- 5) Media: Up to 30 seats are tentatively allocated to media representatives (preferably print media). Advance registration and media accreditation are required. Please note that no recording devices, mobile phones or computers are permitted inside the gallery. The press room is available on the ground floor of the court building for other media representatives.
- 6) General Public: At least 40 seats are tentatively assigned for individual members of the general public. They will be seated on a <u>first come</u>, <u>first served</u> basis on the day of hearing. No advance registration is required.

Seats for NGOs, Diplomats/Officials, and Media must be registered in advance through the ECCC's Public Affairs Section. The deadline for registration is Monday, 20 June 2011 at 4:30 pm.

To register for seats, please contact **Chin Hemvichet** as follows: Email: <u>pas@eccc.gov.kh</u> Phone: 023 219 814 extension 6065, or 012 488 029 Fax: 023 219 841

Final seating arrangement will be made after pre-registration is complete. If any of the assigned seats are not fully utilized before the beginning of the hearing each day, the seats will be re-assigned to the general public.

Please kindly be advised that all persons seeking admission to the ECCC courthouse must present a proof of identification (including a photo) and must pass through a security check. Participants shall maintain dignity and proper behaviour at all times and shall wear appropriate clothing. Their clothing

may not display slogans, indicate their support for or to be offensive to any party of the proceeding. Please note that no persons under 16 years of age will be admitted to the court and persons 16 -18 will be admitted only with the guardianship of an adult. No mobile phones, large bags, food or drink are permitted in the public gallery.

The ECCC is situated in Chaom Chau, 16 kilometres from Phnom Penh, on the left hand side of National Road 4. Public and media, please enter from the Visitors Gate at the eastern end of the compound. Parking will be provided for visitors to the ECCC with their own buses or cars.

For further information on the seating arrangement, please contact:

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