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## CLAUDIA FENZ APPOINTED AS NEW INTERNATIONAL JUDGE IN THE TRIAL CHAMBER

Following the nomination by the United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, and the approval by the Supreme Council of the Magistracy, His Majesty King Norodom Sihamoni has appointed Ms. Claudia Fenz (Austria) as a new international judge to serve in the Trial Chamber of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC). The appointment is effective from 1 September 2014. Judge Fenz has served as a reserve judge in the Trial Chamber since 2006, and she replaces Judge Silvia Cartwright (New Zealand) whose resignation takes effect from 1 September 2014.

Judge Fenz holds a Doctorate of Law from the University of Vienna. In 1984 she was appointed judge in the domestic criminal justice system, holding judicial office for over 20 years in investigation, trial and appeals courts. In 2004, she was appointed an international judge with the UN Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo, dealing with organized crime, serious ethnically-motivated crime and war crimes. She then served as Head of the Rule of Law section within the EUPOLCOPPS Mission in Palestine, which provides support to the Palestinian police and criminal justice sector (2006-2008).

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