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Bilateral Meeting between His Excellency PRAK Sokhonn, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and The Honorable Dato Erywan Pehin Yusof, Second Minister of Foreign Affairs of Brunei Darussalam

In the morning of 09 November 2022 at 10:45 am, His Excellency PRAK Sokhonn, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia, and The Honorable Dato Erywan Pehin Yusof, Second Minister of Foreign Affairs of Brunei Darussalam, had a bilateral meeting on the sideline of the 40th and 41st ASEAN Summits and Related Summits from 10-13 November 2022 in Phnom Penh.

The two Foreign Minsters focused their discussion on the preparation for the State Visit of His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, to Cambodia on 14 November 2022 as both countries are celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations. The Honorable Dato Erywan Pehin Yusof took the opportunity to express his warm congratulations to the Deputy Prime Minister on the occasion of the 69th Independence Day of the Kingdom of Cambodia to which His Excellency **PRAK Sokhonn** expressed his sincere appreciation.

The Honorable Dato Erywan Pehin Yusof congratulated Cambodia for her able chairmanship of ASEAN 2022 and reiterated the importance of ASEAN Centrality in dealing with complex regional issues, including the crisis in Myanmar. Brunei has expressed full support to Cambodia as the Chair of ASEAN and His Excellency PRAK Sokhonn as Special Envoy of the ASEAN Chair on Myanmar. His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister thanked Brunei for her unwavering support for Cambodia's ASEAN Chairmanship. He emphasized that as the current Chair of ASEAN, Cambodia

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reiterated its commitment to continue supporting Myanmar, as a family member, through the implementation of the ASEAN 5PC.

The Honorable Dato Erywan Pehin Yusof cordially invited His Excellency PRAK Sokhonn to pay an official visit to Brunei Darussalam at a mutually convenient date.

Phnom Penh, 09 November 2022