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At the invitation of His Excellency Emmanuel Macron, President of the French Republic, His Majesty Preah Bat Samdech Preah Boromneath NORODOM Sihamoni, King of Cambodia, will grace the Nineteenth Francophonie Summit in Villers-Cotterêts and Paris from 4 to 5 October 2024.

His Majesty the King will be accompanied by Samdech Mahamontrei KUY Sophal, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of the Royal Palace and Supreme Adviser to His Majesty the King, His Excellency SREY Nory, Supreme Adviser to His Majesty the King, Member of the Constitutional Council and Director of the Royal Cabinet of His Majesty, and His Excellency SOK Chenda Sophea, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.

Under the theme "Create, Innovate and Do Business in French", the Summit will be an opportunity for Heads of State and Government to discuss solutions to common challenges such as youth employment in French-speaking countries and territories. One of the Summit's aims is to set up a favourable climate for economic development that respects freedom of creation and entrepreneurship, another is to revitalise multilateralism, including through Francophone institutions.

His Majesty the King will deliver a closing speech to the Summit alongside President Macron and the Secretary General of the Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie.

During his stay in Paris, His Majesty the King will be received by President Macron and they are expected to exchange views on the traditional friendship between Cambodia and France.

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