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Muslim World League Secretary-General: Cambodia Is Good Example for Harmonisation Among Different Religions

Dr. Muhammad bin Abdul Karim Issa, Secretary-General of the Muslim World League (MWL), highly appreciated Cambodia as a world's good example for the harmonisation and peaceful co-existence among the people with different origins and religions, during a meeting with His Excellency Prak Sokhonn, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, held on 21 June 2022. The Secretary-General, who used to serve as Minister of Justice of Saudi Arabia, underlined that the Cambodian government's harmonisation policy and proper treatment of the Muslims was commended by MWL and all Muslim countries as well.

Deputy PM Prak Sokhonn underlined the importance of Secretary-General Dr. Muhammad bin Abdul Karim Issa's visit for fostering both the relations between Cambodia and MWL and between the Muslim community in Cambodia and that on the world as well. He recalled the official visit to Cambodia of H.H. Prince Faisal bin Farhan Al Saud, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 18 March 2022, which has enhanced not only the relations and cooperation between the two kingdoms, but also between Cambodia and the Muslim world.

Deputy PM Prak Sokhonn appreciated the assistance provided by the MWL to the Cambodian Muslim community on infrastructure, education, health and particularly the increasing quota for the Cambodian Muslims to take part every year in the Pilgrimage Haji in Saudi Arabia.

The Deputy PM made known to his guests that owing to the clear-sighted leadership and policy of dialogue promotion and tolerance, stand against extremism, harris and

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Fax : (855) 246 1 + 023 2 Email : mfaic@m ic ge 3457 violence initiated by Samdech Techo Prime Minister Hun Sen, Cambodia, a country with 90% Buddhism and 5% Muslim, can ensure the peaceful co-existence between the people with different religions. He also highlighted the Cambodian government's good treatment towards the Cambodian Muslim community, among them the appointment of Cambodian Muslims to serve in the state institutions and authorities at deferent levels, the respect and facilitation for their religious practices, the conservation of mother tongue, tradition and customs.

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