

Updates on the situation of the Cambodia-Thailand border

3 September 2025

I. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation —

- (1) On September 1, 2025, H.E. Ke Sovann, Under-Secretary of State, had a working discussion with **Mr. Yosi Aprizal**, Counsellor for Protocol Counsellor Affairs of the Embassy of Indonesia to Cambodia, and **Ms. Bridget Collier**, Deputy Head of Mission at the Embassy of Australia to Cambodia. The discussion primarily focused on strengthening cooperation to enhance the protection of humanitarian personnel in armed conflict zones, within the framework of the United Nations.
- (2) H.E. Oum Reatrey, the Governor of Banteay Meanchey Province of Cambodia, on 2 September 2025, sent a protest letter to the Governor of Sa Kaeo Province of Thailand saying that *"any unilateral action by either side which affects the local people living in and relying on that area constitutes a violation of the 2000 MOU, the Cambodia–Thailand Ceasefire Agreement of 28 July 2025, the spirit of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Cambodia–Thailand General Border Committee (GBC) held on 7 August 2025 in Malaysia, as well as the spirit of the Cambodia–Thailand Regional Border Committee (RBC) Meeting held on 22 August 2025."*

II. The Ministry of National Defence of Cambodia—

- (1) On September 3, 2025, the Ministry of National Defence facilitated another field inspection visit for the Interim Observer Team (IOT) comprising representatives from Malaysia, Indonesia, Laos, the Philippines, and Vietnam, led by Colonel NAZLEE BIN ABDUL RAHIM, Defence Attaché of Malaysia to the Kingdom of Cambodia. The team departed for Pursat Province, "to observe, verify, and report the development after the Ceasefire Agreement took effect.

- (2) It is also worth noting the arrangement reflects Cambodia's commitment to respect and fully implement the Ceasefire and the 13-point Agreed Minutes agreed by both countries, for the IOT mission stemmed from the outcomes of the special meeting held on July 28, 2025, in Putrajaya, Malaysia, and the Extraordinary Meeting of the Cambodia–Thailand General Border Committee (GBC) concluded on August 7, 2025.
- (3) It has been **36 days** since **18** Cambodian military personnel have been held in unlawful custody by the Thai side, counting from the morning of July 29, 2025, a few hours right after the Ceasefire came into effect.