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Outcomes of the 17th Ministerial Meeting of the Asia Cooperation Dialogue-ACD
21st January 2021, Video Conference

On 21st January 2021, His Excellency PRAK Sokhonn, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia, participated in the 17th Ministerial Meeting of the Asia Cooperation Dialogue - ACD, which was chaired by His Excellency Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey. The key outcomes of the meeting are as follows:

Under the theme "The New Normal and Safe and Healthy Tourism", ACD Member States recognized the urgent necessity in addressing the challenges brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic and agreed to collectively address its adverse socio-economic impacts including the tourism sector through a multifaceted approach. The joint collaboration encompasses, among others, all necessary precautionary health and safety measures, the enhancement of cooperation and mutual support, the synergizing of national tourism recovery and development efforts, the sharing of best practices and knowledge, as well as the promotion of intra-regional trade and investment flows in the effort to enhance health security and sustain recovery.

During the Meeting, His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn shared with the meeting Cambodia's steadfast commitment to roll out an effective national vaccination plan for her people and the country's comprehensive tourism recovery plan which purports to not only ensure a safe and speedy recovery of this important growth



engine of the Kingdom but also to responsibly and actively contribute to the recovery of tourism and other sectors in the whole region.

Furthermore, **His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister PRAK Sokhonn** reaffirmed the shared commitment of all Member States to continue advancing the ACD as a key multilateral platform to promote dialogue and interdependence in all areas of cooperation.

ACD Foreign Ministers and High Representatives also expressed appreciation to Turkey for her successful chairmanship over the term 2019-2020 and for offering to extend the chairmanship until September 2021.

The Meeting concluded by adopting the Ankara Declaration of the ACD Ministers. 

Phnom Penh, 22 January 2021

