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PRESS RELEASE

AUSTRALIA ANNOUNCES NEW PLEDGE OF AUD 1.61 MILLION

The Australian Government has announced a new pledge of AUD 1.61 million (approximately US\$ 1.73 million) the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC). AUD 1 million will be given to the international component and AUD 0.61 million will be given to the national component of the ECCC. The new donation was announced by the Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs, Senator the Hon Bob Carr, who visited the ECCC on 26 March 2012.

"The ECCC would like to thank the Australian government for their generous and continued support of the Court and its work to investigate and prosecute Khmer Rouge-era crimes. The Australian donation is a significant contribution, which will allow the ECCC to carry forward with the fulfillment of its mandate in seeking justice for the Cambodian people," said Acting Director of the Office of Administration, H.E. Tony Kranh and Deputy Director Mr. Knut Rosandhaug in a statement.

Australia is a key donor to the ECCC, and it has supported the Court since its inception. With the latest donation, Australia has provided a total of AUD 18.3 million in financial support for the ECCC to strengthen the International Justice, National reconciliation and Legacy in Cambodia.

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