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The two Accused in Case 002: Khieu Samphan (left) and Nuon Chea (right).

Closing Statements Rescheduled to 16-31 October

Prosecutors and lawyers for the two Khmer Rouge leaders and thousands of civil parties in Case 002 are now re-scheduled to make their final statements from 16 – 31 October at the Trial Chamber of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia.

In a memo issued on 22 August, the chamber announced an adjusted schedule for closing submissions in the first trial in Case 002, which focuses on crimes against humanity allegedly committed in the course of two population movements and executions of members of Lon Nol regime at Tuol Po Chrey in Pursat. In this case, former Deputy Secretary of Communist Party of Kampuchea, Nuon Chea, and former Head of State Khieu Samphan stand trial.

The chamber has revised the hearing of oral Closing Statements to begin on 16 October at 9 am, instead of the previously scheduled date of 9 October. This revision was made as the chamber had admitted into evidence about 2,000 more documents since it confirmed the initial schedule on 24 July.

The hearing of closing statements is expected to continue every day except for public holidays during the latter half of October (16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 24, 25, 28, 30 and 31 October) where the parties will make

their presentations in the following order:

1. Lead Co-Lawyers for Civil Parties make final statements (up to 1 day)
2. Co-Prosecutors make final statements, including a request for sentencing (up to 3 days)
3. Nuon Chea's Defence lawyers/the accused make final statements (up to 2 days)
4. Khieu Samphan's Defence lawyers/the accused make final statements (up to 2 days)
5. Lead Co-Lawyers and Co-Prosecutors make rebuttal statements (up to 1 day)
6. Nuon Chea, Khieu Samphan and their lawyers make final statements (up to 2 hours each team, total 4 hours)

The chamber advises that the final statements may be completed earlier than the 31 October, as the parties are required to begin their oral submissions immediately following the close of the previous party's submissions.

The hearing of closing statements is open to the public. Although the ECCC is equipped with a 484-seat public gallery to accommodate a large number of visitors, members of the public, particularly groups of more than five people, are encouraged to pre-register to secure seats.

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Visit by New Zealand Governor General Shows Renewed Support



The Governor General and Deputy Prime Minister Sok An.

The Governor-General of New Zealand, de facto head of state, made an official visit on 9 August to the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia, and announced a new financial contribution which signaled the country's commitment to support the court's historic work.

Lt Gen Sir Jerry Mateparae led a 14-member delegation to the court during his state visit to Cambodia. This was the first time that a leader at the head of state level had visited the ECCC in its past seven years of operation.

The Governor-General was welcomed by Deputy Prime Minister Sok An, who is Chairman of the Royal Government of Cambodia Task Force for the Khmer Rouge

Trials, and ECCC's Acting Director of Administration Tony Kranh. The parties discussed the progress the court has made so far and the challenges that lie ahead to accomplish its mandate.

"We recognise that the people of Cambodia have looked to the tribunal to assist in the process of national reconciliation," said the Governor-General during the welcoming meeting. "New Zealand will continue to help the tribunal to complete its work prosecuting the senior leaders of the Khmer Rouge."

The Governor-General then announced that his country would contribute NZ\$ 200,000, approximately US\$170,000, to the national side of the court, which has been facing financial challenges to raise necessary funding. Due to chronic shortage of funds, staff members of the national side of the ECCC had not been paid since May.

"We are grateful to hear New Zealand's additional contribution to support the ECCC to complete the cases before the

court," said Mr Sok An during the meeting on behalf of the Royal Government, which is responsible for the payment of salaries of national staff. "The announcement came at a critical moment when the Trial Chamber is preparing to hear final submissions in Case 002/01 before a judgment. The pledge signals a renewed commitment of donors to support the court to bring justice to Cambodians."

During the visit, the Governor-General and his delegation also met with Trial Chamber President Nil Nonn and Judge Silvia Cartwright from New Zealand to gain insight into the working of the tribunal, and toured the main courtroom together.

New Zealand has supported the ECCC since its inception and has donated NZ\$1.2 million before the August visit. The last contribution was made when Prime Minister John Key visited the court last November. The new contribution would bring the New Zealand's total contribution to NZ\$1.4 million.

The national component of the ECCC has since spent the new contribution to cover the unpaid salaries of May and a part of June of about 250 national staff. The national component still requires another US\$2.9 million to cover the cost of operations and staff salaries for the rest of 2013.

E.U. Pledges €3 Million to Support the ECCC



The European Union announced on 21 August a new pledge of 3 million Euro, around US\$3.9 million, to the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia to support its historic work to address horrific crimes committed during the Khmer Rouge regime.

The pledge was made for the international component of the ECCC to support the payment of salaries in 2013 for the international judges, prosecutors and legal support staff. The funding would be administered by the United Nations, according to a statement issued by the EU Cambodia office.

"This new contribution to the ECCC, the first to its international component, is a

renewed proof of the commitment of the European Union to deliver justice for the Cambodian people," EU Ambassador Jean-Francois Cautain said.

The EU is one of the major donors of the ECCC, and had provided US\$5.3 million to the national component - about 11 percent of its total donor contributions - in the last six years. This is the first time that the EU has extended its support to the international side of the court, and has made an agreement with the Cambodian government as to how the funds will be used.

ECCC's Acting Director of Administration Tony Kranh expressed his gratitude to the EU for its renewed support on behalf of the court. "We are very grateful for the continuous support offered by the European Union, which participates directly in bringing justice to the victims of the Khmer Rouge and strengthening national judicial reform in Cambodia," he said.

National Staff to Go on Strike

Despite the symbolic donation and appeal by the New Zealand Governor General and a joint fund-raising effort by the Cambodian government and the UN, a financial crisis on the national side of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia has persisted, resulting in a planned walk-out of national staff.

About 100 Cambodian staff, mainly of the Court Management Section and the General Services Section, planned to go on strike on 1 September until all the unpaid salaries are recovered. None of the national staff, including judges and officials, have been fully paid since June.

Editor's note:

At press time, nearly 150 staff members of the national component have gone on strike, demanding the full payment of their salaries.

Reparation Projects Acknowledged, but Need Secure Funding

The Trial Chamber in the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia considers that all seven proposed reparation projects specified by the legal representatives of Civil Parties “appropriately acknowledge the harm suffered” by them, according to a memo issued on 1 August.

The memo was a response to the initial specification of priority reparation projects submitted by the Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers back in February.

In the specification, the co-lawyers presented seven projects under three categories of “Remembrance and Memorialization”, “Rehabilitation” and “Documentation and Education”. Among the seven projects are (1) the establishment of a public holiday of remembrance, (2) the provision of an opportunity for civil parties to address their psychological suffering through the NGO project “Testimonial Therapy” and (3) the construction of a permanent exhibition showing photos, documents and other displays of survivors’ experiences.

“In principle the measures proposed under all three categories appropriately acknowledge the harm suffered by Civil Parties ... and provide benefits to the Civil Parties which address this harm,” states the 1 August memo.

In the memo, the chamber further requests the lead co-lawyers to present “proof of the willingness of [Royal Government of Cambodia] or any other concerned



Judges of the Trial Chamber hear testimony of a witness in Case 002/01. (file photo)

parties” to implement those measures in the first category. The chamber also requests the lawyers to clarify the specification of each proposed reparation project in the second and third categories.

Noting the ECCC’s internal rules which require secure funding for reparation measures to be awarded by the court, the chamber also requests the co-lawyers to address the issue of funding in their final claim for reparations to be submitted by 26 September.

The lead co-lawyers have since filed further information concerning sponsorship, funding and implementation of proposed projects. They have indicated that they would present the final list of reparations sought as well as further details concerning the feasibility of such projects in their final claim.

Khieu Samphan’s Lawyer Jacques Verges Dies



Mr Jacques Verges, an international co-lawyer for the accused Khieu Samphan standing trial at the Khmer Rouge tribunal, died on 15 August in Paris at the age of 88 after a long career in criminal defence.

Mr Verges had represented numerous high-profile clients from around the world. He became a defence lawyer to the Khmer Rouge regime’s head of state in November 2007 when the accused was placed in provisional detention at the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia. He defended the accused in court during the Initial Hearing in Case 002 in June 2011 and

presented opening statements in the first trial in Case 002 in November that year. In recent years, however, Mr Verges was not often present at the ECCC.

The accused Khieu Samphan continues to be represented by other two French lawyers, Ms Anta Guisee and Mr Arthur Vercken, and by Cambodian Co-Lawyer Kong Sam Onn. Closing statements by the accused and his lawyers in the ongoing Case 002/01 trial are scheduled in late October.

Every month, each section of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia compiles a summary of its activities to inform the general public on the latest developments of the court. The following are updates from each section on the activities of **August 2013**. For decisions and orders, please refer to page 7.

Supreme Court Chamber

In August, the Supreme Court Chamber continued its examination of Khieu Samphan's immediate appeal against the Trial Chamber's decision to deny his request for immediate release on bail ("Khieu Samphan's Appeal"). The Supreme Court Chamber also continued drafting the full reasons for its Decision on Immediate Appeals against the Trial Chamber's Second Decision on Severance of Case 002 ("Second Severance Appeal Decision"), the summary of reasons of which was filed on 23 July 2013.

On 7 August, the Supreme Court Chamber became seized of a request by Khieu Samphan to stay the proceedings ("Khieu Samphan's Request").

On 22 August, the Supreme Court Chamber denied Khieu Samphan's Appeal in its entirety. Khieu Samphan's Request remains under consideration, and the drafting of the full reasons for the Second Severance Appeal Decision remains on-going.

Trial Chamber

In August, the Trial Chamber issued decisions on the final outstanding motions concerning the admissibility of evidence proposed in Case 002/01. The Chamber admitted approximately 2,000 documents, including 1,124 written statements of witnesses and Civil Parties admitted in place of their oral testimony. In light of these decisions, the Chamber extended the deadline for closing submissions, ordering that closing briefs be filed by 19 September and scheduling closing statements between 16 and 31 October. Both Accused have requested time to make a rejoinder statement which may include a statement of the accused and/or his lawyers.

Following the initial specification of reparations sought by the Civil Party



The Lord of the Iron Staff, a guardian spirit statue outside the ECCC court building. Buddhist witnesses take oath in front of this statue before testifying in court.

Lead Co-Lawyers in Case 002/01, the Chamber on 1 August requested additional clarification concerning funding, support and sponsorship for these projects. The proposed reparations projects fall into three categories: remembrance/memorialisation, rehabilitation, and documentation/education. The Chamber ordered that written submissions regarding reparations be filed by 26 September and allotted time during closing statements in order for the Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers to present their claim.

Overall, the Chamber issued 13 written decisions and memoranda regarding approximately 23 applications concerning procedural and evidentiary matters in Case 002/01. Three written applications remain pending.

Pre-Trial Chamber

During the reporting period, the Pre-Trial Chamber was seized of three appeals and two applications for annulment in Cases 003 and 004, all of which are classified as confidential or strictly confidential. The Pre-Trial Chamber disposed of a number of procedural and other case-management matters and continued its consideration of appeals and applications before it.

Case 003:

The Pre-Trial Chamber hold deliberations in respect of an Appeal against a constructive refusal by the Co-Investigating Judges to decide on an appeal lodged before them by the Co-Lawyers assigned to a suspect in Case 003.

On 29 August, the Pre-Trial Chamber was seized of a request for annulment pursuant to Internal Rule 76(1) by the International Co-Investigating Judge.

Case 004:

On 14 August, the Pre-Trial Chamber issued directions in respect of an Appeal filed pursuant to Internal Rule 11(5) by a lawyer whose admission on the list of counsel authorized to represent indigent persons before the ECCC had been denied.

On 21 August, the Pre-Trial Chamber was seized of an application for the disqualification of Judge Rowan Downing from this case. Judge Downing filed his response of the application on 28 August and the matter is currently in deliberations.

On 29 August, the Pre-Trial Chamber was seized of a request for annulment pursuant to Internal Rule 76(1) by the International Co-Investigating Judges.

On 30 August, the Pre-Trial Chamber was seized of an Appeal from a suspect in Case 004 against a decision from the International Co-Investigating Judges rejecting

a request to have access to the investigation case file.

Office of the Co-Investigating Judges

During the month of August, the international side of the Office of the Co-Investigating Judges (OICIJ) continued the investigations of Case Files 003 and 004.

Concerning Case File 004, the International Co-Investigating Judge (International CIJ) has issued two Rogatory Letters, one Decision to Place Documents on the Case File, one Forwarding Order to the Co-Prosecutors and two Decisions on requests from the defence of a Suspect. None of these decisions and orders are public.

Four missions were undertaken by OICIJ investigators in Case File 004 during the month of August: five witnesses were interviewed and five Investigative Action Reports were drafted.

Concerning Case File 003, the International CIJ signed five International Rogatory Letters that are in the process of being translated. He also issued one Rogatory Letter, and one Decision to Place Documents on the Case File. These also remain confidential.

One mission was undertaken by an OICIJ investigator in Case File 003: four witnesses were interviewed; three Site Identification Reports and Two Investigative Reports were produced in the course of these missions.

The Analysts Unit continued researching evidence relevant to the cases from external sources and internal databases. 500 documents obtained from external sources were reviewed with the aim of identifying documents of evidentiary value for Case File 003/4. The Analysts Unit assisted the investigators in the missions conducted during the month of August.

Civil party applications in Cases 003 and 004, which presently total in excess of 1200, are progressively being placed on the case files while their admissibility and evidentiary value are being subjected to a thorough scrutiny.

During August, the OICIJ continued to reach out to representatives of the international community in the quest for funds to recruit a small team of young Cambodi-

an lawyers to work on the processing of civil party applications. To date, these fund-raising efforts have not borne any fruit.

Outreach to civil parties and potential witnesses in Case Files 003 and 004 is ongoing and the OICIJ was present at outreach presentations organised by the Public Affairs section, with the aim to inform the public about the ongoing investigations.

Office of the Co-Prosecutors

Case 002/01

The Co-Prosecutors have been drafting their closing argument in Case 002/01, due on 26 September. The Co-Prosecutors also filed a response to the Defence for Khieu Samphan's filing to the Supreme Court Chamber requesting a stay of proceedings, and a request for a clarification of findings regarding the alleged Joint Criminal Enterprise in Case 002/01.

Cases 003 and 004

The Co-Prosecutors have been monitoring the evidence and developments and responding as necessary.

Defence Support Section

Throughout August, the Defence teams in Case 002/01 continued to prepare their closing submissions. In addition, Mr Jacques Verges, International Co-Lawyer for the Accused, died in France on 15 August at the age of 88. The Khieu Samphan Defence team issued a press release conveying their condolences, and those of the Accused, to Mr Verges' family. The Accused continues to be represented by Ms Anta Guisse, Mr Arthur Vercken, and Mr Kong Sam Onn.

Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers Section

Hearings

Hearings before the Trial Chamber are planned to resume with the closing statements of the Civil Parties on 16 October and continuing with those of the other parties and rebuttal until 31 October.

Submissions & Decisions

On 15 August, the Trial Chamber issued its admissibility decision on written statements which admitted 519 Civil Party written statements from civil party appli-



The ECCC Court Building.

Judicial Updates



A panoramic view of the main courtroom in the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (Photo: Meng Kimlong)

cations into evidence. These statements will be an essential source of evidence in the Civil Parties closing brief. On 23 August, the Lead Co-Lawyers submitted an update to the Trial Chamber on the design details and funding status of eight prioritized reparation projects which will be sought in the Civil Parties' final claim.

Since the close of the substantive hearings, the Lead Co-Lawyers have continued to work, in collaboration with the Civil Party Lawyers, to finalize the Civil Parties final written submissions to the Court, which include the Civil Parties' Closing Brief and the Final Claim for Reparations.

Meetings & Outreach

On 15 August, the Lead Co-Lawyers and Civil Party Lawyers participated in a Civil Party meeting held in Phnom Penh. The meeting, which was organized by the Victim Support Section, was intended to update Civil Parties on the proceedings before the ECCC and the reparations under development for Case 002/01 as well as answer their questions and concerns and provide an opportunity for two Civil Parties who had testified in Case 002/01 to share their experiences. Civil Parties also had the opportunity to meet with their Civil Party Lawyers in small group sessions.

Reparations

Throughout the month, the Lead Co-Lawyers participated in a number of meetings with donors, project partners and the Victims Support Section to finalize the design of and secure funds for reparations projects. As well, the Lead Co-Lawyers were very pleased to receive confirmation from the French Embassy that it will provide 50,000EUR funding and technical assistance for the construction of the *Memorial in Hom-*

age to the Victims: "To Those Who Are No Longer There"—one of the eight prioritized reparations projects under development for Civil Parties in Case 002/01.

Victims Support Section

Legal Work

In the month of August, the Processing and Analysis Team of the Victim's Support Section (VSS) received a total of 60 applications in Cases 003 and 004. The Team continued to receive and process applications it has received, and filed 34 applications and one Power of Attorney request in Case 003 with the Office of the Co-Investigating Judges.

The Court-Funded Lawyers, Lead-Co-Lawyers and Civil Party Lawyers have also prepared a Closing Brief for Case 002/01, to be submitted to the Trial Chamber.

Outreach

A total of 148 civil parties attended a meeting in Phnom Penh and a one day

field trip in Kraing Tachan Security Centre in Takeo Province in the month of August. The meeting in Phnom Penh was organized to update the civil parties on the developments of Case 002/01 proceedings, while the field trip to Takeo gave civil parties an opportunity to learn about the Khmer Rouge crime site.

Reparations & Non-Judicial Measures

Throughout the month of August, the Reparations and Non-Judicial Measures (R&NJM) team met with implementation partners, such as the Ministry of Culture and Fine Arts, Youth for Peace and Kdei Karuna to further discuss the details of joint projects. These projects include the Mobile Exhibition Project, the Permanent Exhibition Project, and the Tuol Sleng Stupa Project, some of which will be presented in a final claim for reparations for civil parties.

The R&NJM team also participated in a Civil Peace Service Monitoring workshop, organized by the German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ). The workshop explored topics such as outreach, trauma and mental health, civil party participation and remembrance and truth telling.



The ECCC office building.

Decisions/Orders

Public versions of the decisions, orders, opinions and considerations are available on the official ECCC website: www.eccc.gov.kh.

Supreme Court Chamber

22 August 2013: Decision on Immediate Appeal against the Trial Chamber's Decision on KHIEU Samphan's Application for Immediate Release, <E275/2/3>

Trial Chamber

1 August 2013: Trial Chamber's Response to the Lead Co-Lawyers' Initial Specification of the Civil Party Priority Projects as Reparations pursuant to Rule 80bis(4) (E218/7/1) <E218/7/2>

1 August 2013: Response to KHIEU Samphan Request for Clarification regarding Closing Statements (E295/1) <E295/1/1>

1 August 2013: Decision on the Co-Prosecutors' Request for Reconsideration of the Decision regarding Admission of Newly Available United States Diplomatic Cables (E282/2/1) and KHIEU Samphan's Response (E282/2/1/1) <E282/2/1/2>

12 August 2013: Third Decision on Objections to Documents Proposed for Admission before the Trial Chamber <E185/2>

13 August 2013: Decision on KHIEU Samphan's Second Request pursuant to Internal Rule 87(4) to Admit Extracts of Former Co-Investigating Judge Lemonde's Book (E280/2) <E280/2/1>

14 August 2013: Decision on Internal Rule 87(4) Request of the Co-Prosecutors to Put before the Chamber Document D366/7.1.366 <E298>

15 August 2013: Decision on KHIEU Samphan Request for Revision of Translations of Evidence on the Case-File concerning "870" (E296) <E296/1>

15 August 2013: Decision on Objections to the Admissibility of Witness, Victim and Civil Party Statements and Case 001 Transcripts Proposed by the Co-Prosecutors and Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers

<E299>

16 August 2013: Information concerning Case 003 and Case 004 Witness Statements that may be relevant to Case 002 <E127/7/1>

22 August 2013: Adjusted Schedule for Closing Submissions (E295/1, E295/1/2, E295/1/3, E295/2 and E295/3) <E295/4>

27 August 2013: Co-Prosecutors' Request for Clarification of Findings regarding the JCE Alleged in Case 002/01 (E284/5) <E284/6>

30 August 2013: Decision on NUON Chea's Request for a List of All Documents Admitted in Case 002/01 (E295/5) <E295/5/1>

30 August 2013: Reclassification of Additional Documents on the Case File <E118/7>

Hearings

Trial Chamber Hearings of Case 002/01 Closing Statements

16-18 October 2013, 9:00-16:00
21-22 October 2013, 9:00-16:00
24-25 October 2013, 9:00-16:00
28 October 2013, 9:00-16:00
30 October 2013, 9:00-16:00

The hearing on 16 October may go longer than 16:00 as the Chamber has granted the Civil Parties an extra hour for reparations submissions

Hearing schedule is subject to change

For an updated hearing schedule, please visit <http://eccc.gov.kh/en/event/court-schedule>

Visitor information for public hearings

Hearing Schedule

Monday-Thursday except national holidays, **9:00-16:00**
Two 20-minute breaks: **10:30** and **15:00** (roughly)
Lunch break: **12:00-13:30**

Rules in the Public Gallery

Visitors are advised to wear appropriate clothing and to behave in a manner appropriate to the nature of the proceedings. No mobile phones, cameras, large bags, food or drink are permitted in the main courtroom. Visitors should take all personal belongings with them when leaving the public gallery during breaks.

Visitors are requested to remain seated while the court is in session. Those who need to use the bathroom during a hearing should follow the security officers' instructions. There are two sets of bathrooms: one on the ground floor and one on the mezzanine level.

Language of Proceedings

The court provides simultaneous interpretation of its proceedings in Khmer, English and French. The speakers in the main courtroom project the proceedings in Khmer, but English and French translation is also available through the headsets on either side of the main courtroom. English is on channel 2 and French is on channel 3. To reset the headset, press down on the two volume arrows simultaneously.

ECCC Study Tours: Participants Discover Fate of Missing Relatives



A villager looks for a missing relative in Tuol Sleng Museum.

Study tours organized by the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia educate many Cambodians on how the court works to address the grave crimes committed during the Khmer Rouge regime. But for some, it is an opportunity to learn the fate of their missing family members at the former security prison S-21.

On 6 August, more than 350 villagers from Balang District, Kampong Thom province participated in a study tour to visit the ECCC, the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum and the Choeng Ek Killing Fields for guid-

ed tours and briefings.

While walking through the buildings at the national museum, the former S-21 prison, two participants discovered photos of their relatives on the walls, which display profile pictures of those who were captured, tortured and killed during the Khmer Rouge regime in the late 1970s.

Ms Toek Ki of Sra Mor village saw a photo of her brother she had been waiting to hear from for

over 30 years.

"It is the first time I have visited the Tuol Sleng Museum. I found a photo of my brother here," said Ms Toek Ki, pointing a picture of young man in black pyjamas. "He was a soldier during the Khmer Rouge regime. I have never heard any information about him. I now know that he is dead."

Similarly, Ms Chhay Sat from Sra Mor village also found a photo of her relative, a sister, there. It was also her first visit to the former S-21 prison.

"I decided to join the study tour programme because Mr Sohear, who organised the outreach study tour, told me I might have a chance of finding photos of my missing relatives at Tuol Sleng. I saw a photo of my sister here," said MsChhay Sat, recalling how much she misses her.

The ECCC began the study tour programme for groups of Cambodians back in October 2009 as part of the court's outreach efforts, and have so far brought over 180,000 participants from villages across Cambodia to the three facilities in Phnom Penh. A number of participants in the past have discovered pictures of their missing relatives at the national museum.



Toek Ki points to her missing brother.

ECCC Engages Remote Villagers in Krang Leav Commune, Takeo



A villager receives ECCC information and merchandise.

In an effort to reach out to Cambodian populations in remote areas, an outreach team of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia traveled to the Krang Leav commune in Takeo on 26 August to provide information on the work of the court. Two interns, Nget Kandavith from Cambodia and Nina Gibson from Australia, report.

A 90-minute drive away from Phnom

Penh, the Krang Leav commune is surrounded by endless rice fields. Villagers who tend to the fields stopped for a moment to meet with staff from the Public Affairs Section when they began distributing ECCC information booklets and outreach materials.

The outreach team discussed their knowledge of the tribunal before explaining the latest work of the court. Some villagers mentioned that they had never heard of the court before, while others stated that they had only heard limited news and information of the ECCC on their radios.

Nget Hom, a clerk for the Krang Leav commune council, stated that due to the isolation of the villagers, many are unable to participate in ECCC study tours to visit the court.

"Receiving documents and direct information is just as beneficial as a visit to

the ECCC," he said, smiling. "Although we are unable to go to the court, we now have information about the Khmer Rouge tribunal to read."

The outreach field trips have been conducted since the early days of the ECCC to inform the public on the judicial proceedings. It complements the ECCC's flagship outreach



A villager reads information on the ECCC.

initiative of study tours, in which participating villagers are brought to the court and memorial sites to gain insights of the work of the tribunal. At least 350,000 people have benefited from the ECCC's various

outreach initiatives so far.

Students Interviewed about Youth Participation in KR Tribunal

A group of 20 students from the local NGO Youth Resource Development Program (YRDP) visited the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia on 15 August to gain a better understanding of the work and goals of the court. The Public Affairs Section interviewed several students about the significance of youth participation in the Khmer Rouge tribunal. Many students discussed the importance of educating their generation of Cambodian youth, who have had no experience of wartime or of the Democratic Kampuchea regime.

Here is a sampling of what some students said about youth participation in the ECCC.



Chhiv Gech, 21, psychology student, Royal University of Phnom Penh

“Youth participation [in the ECCC] will not only enable young people to understand the history of their own country, but also teach them how to behave accordingly when they become leaders.”



Keo Ra, 23, medical student, University of Chenla

“The more that youth are involved in the court, the more they are aware of their country’s history. And, they will be able to learn from what has happened in the past.”



Han Chenda, 25, history student, Royal University of Phnom Penh

“As youth, if we do not know the history of our country, we are like leaves that do not know which trees we are on.”



New Book Explores Post Traumatic Survival After Khmer Rouge Regime

An American scholar has published a new book on post traumatic experiences of survivors from the Khmer Rouge atrocities.

“Post Traumatic Survival: The Lessons of Cambodian Resilience”, written by sociologist Gwynyth Overland, explores what Khmer Rouge survivors found instrumental to both their survival and their mental health, according to the academic publisher Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

The book explores Cambodian resilience, “the ability to recover from misfortune or change”, in order to contribute to

the psychosocial rehabilitation of survivors of war crimes and other traumatic experiences.

Ms Overland is a senior advisor and clinical sociologist at the Regional Traumatic Centre and the Clinic for Psychosomatics and Trauma at Sorlandet Hospital in Southern Norway.

For more information on the book, visit: www.cambridgescholars.com.

Cambodian Law Students Visit the ECCC



Cambodian Students at an ECCC briefing.

As part of its academic field study, 22 law students from the Royal University of Law and Economics visited the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia on 28 August to learn more about the function of the hybrid court.

ECCC Press Officer Neth Pheaktra briefed the students about the historical background of the Khmer Rouge tribunal and its achievements since its establishment in 2006. A representative from the Nuon Chea defence team also delivered a presentation to the students about the role of defence and fair trial rights.

The facilitator of the visit, Professor Khim Kir, said that the visit to the ECCC was

particularly important for the law students, as it provided insight into how the court functions as a mixed court using national and international laws. Professor Khim further stated that the students were interested in observing the ECCC courtroom, which is significantly different from the domestic courtrooms of Cambodia.



Law Students listen to a presentation by Press Officer Neth Pheaktra.

ECCC to Re-launch Radio Show on KR Tribunal

A weekly radio talk show on the Khmer Rouge tribunal will be back on air on every Thursday from noon to 1 pm, starting from 19 September, on Bayon FM 95 and its sub-stations nationwide. Listeners are invited to call the station to ask questions directly to representatives of the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia.

This is a re-launch of the ECCC radio programme on another radio station RNK, which began in November 2011 but was suspended in the beginning of 2013. The renewed radio programme on Bayon follows the same interactive talk show style where guest speakers from the ECCC appear every week to explain the trial proceedings and answer questions that listeners may have.

The show will be live and broadcast on FM 95 and Bayon's 12 substations which would cover all the 24 provinces.

Please stay tuned and call the following numbers to ask questions:

- 015 550 295
- 089 731 995
- 023 666 1000

ECCC Welcomes Foreign Delegations and Int'l Study Groups

Several international delegations and study groups visited the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia throughout the month of August to gain a better understanding of the history of the Khmer Rouge trials, and of the legal processes of the tribunal.

The Polish Ambassador to Cambodia, H.E Mr Jerzy Bayer, visited the ECCC on 15 August. Mr Bayer toured the ECCC courtroom, and met with Mr Tony Kranh, the Acting Director of the Office of Administration.

On 19 August, the Counsellor and Head of Cooperation from the German Embassy, Dr Ludgera Klemp, also met with staff from the Lead Co-Lawyers and Victim Support Section at the ECCC.

On 12 August, the court hosted 24 international professionals from the Rotary Peace Center in Thailand to meet with rep-

resentatives from various judicial offices.

On 15 August, 14 international law students and one law professor from Johns Hopkins University also visited the court. The group received a special presentation

by International Co-Investigating Judge Mark Harmon, and by representatives from the Defence Support Section and the Office of Co-Prosecutions.



Professionals from the Rotary Peace Center are briefed by the Public Affairs Section.

Outreach Activities

02-08 August: Kdei Karuna interview 20-25 participants of Training of Trainer in Monduliri province, to evaluate the outcomes and success of the project.

04-09 August: Kdei Karuna staff visit Pursat province to conduct assessments on local actor's current mediation techniques between former Khmer Rouge and victims.

05-09 August: Kdei Karuna staff visit Battambang province to conduct assessments on the local actor's current mediation techniques between former Khmer Rouge and victims.

15-16 August: The Victim's Support Section conduct a meeting with civil parties, where they will have the opportunity to meet with their lawyers.

15-23 August: A Community Memory Initiative (CMI) celebration is held in Prey Veng Province. Local authorities and other stakeholders are invited to attend. After the event, Kdei Karuna staff conduct a follow-up activity with participants of the CMI, in order to evaluate the outcomes of the project.

05 September: The Cambodia Trial Monitor (CTM) Project of the Documentation Center of Cambodia (DC-Cam) conducts a workshop at the Bright Hope Institute in Kampong Chhnang Province. The workshop focuses on the history of the Democratic Kampuchea, the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia, and the resources provided by the CTM. 100 students attend the event.

07-12 September: DC-Cam and the Ministry of Education hold the tenth commune teacher training in Kampong Cham Regional Training Schools. The training is a part of DC-Cam's 'Genocide Education Project.' The training is attended by 50 participants from Kampong Cham, and another 50 participants from Kratie.

16-18 September: DC-Cam hold a public village forum in Battambang Province under the umbrella of its 'Witnessing Justice Project'. The forum aims to keep the public informed about, and engaged with, the legal processes of the ECCC.

20 September: The civil party lawyers and civil parties hold a regional meeting in Svay Rieng Province, so as to update the civil parties on the judicial progress of the ECCC.

24 September: The Cambodia Defenders Project, together with VSS, TPO and the UN Women, hold a 'Women's Hearing on the Young Generation' event. The event explores gender-based violence throughout the Khmer Rouge regime, and hears public testimonies from survivors.



ECCC's brochure on Cases 003 & 004.

ECCC Outreach

The Public Affairs Section hosts Khmer Rouge Tribunal Study Tours, bringing groups of 200-300 villagers from areas throughout Cambodia to attend the ongoing hearings of Case 002, have a guided tour of the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum, and visit the Choeung Ek Killing Fields. During the trial recesses, the Public Affairs Section conducts school visits to give briefings, as well as hosts community video screenings across Cambodia. The Public Affairs Section also welcomes international group visits, and provides briefings and court tours.

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