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Royal Government and OHCHR agree to continue joint work

The Royal Government of Cambodia and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights have entered a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) extending the technical cooperation programme for human rights in the country by both parties for another two years.

The MOU was signed by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation H.E. Hor Namhong and UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Ms Navi Pillay, and takes effect for two years from 1 January 2012. The previous MOU expired on 31 December 2011.

In another development, the High Commissioner appointed Ms Wan-Hea Lee as her new representative in Cambodia. Ms. Lee currently holds a senior post in the Human Rights Treaties Division in OHCHR headquarters and has extensive experience with OHCHR field presences in Mongolia, Regional Office Bangkok and Burundi. She will assume her functions in mid 2012.

Under the MOU, the technical cooperation programme aims at further strengthening the capacity of both governmental and non-governmental institutions to promote and protect human rights in Cambodia. OHCHR will continue to undertake projects that include the integration of human rights dimensions into education, health and other development; further training to law enforcement and armed forces officials; and provision of technical support for the government's reform programmes including in the areas of administration of justice and the legislative process and to encourage the participation of civil society and promote public education in democracy and human rights.

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