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**Country/entity** Cambodia

**Region** Asia and Pacific

**Agreement name** Statement of the Five Permanent Members of the Security Council of the United Nations

on Cambodia Incorporating the Framework for a Comprehensive Political Settlement of

the Cambodia Conflict

**Date** 28 Aug 1990

Agreement status Unilateral document

**Interim** Yes

arrangement

**Agreement/conflict** Interstate/intrastate conflict(s)

level

Cambodia Conflict (1975 - 1999)

After the agro-communist Khmer Rouge won the 1970-75 civil war, they installed a regime that subsequently killed almost 2 million people. Despite previous cooperation with Vietnamese communists, the Khmer Rouge feared the potential power of their neighbour and began purging Vietnamese-trained members of their cadre as well as launching attacks on the Vietnamese border from 1975 onwards. In response, Vietnam launched a full invasion in 1978, displacing the Khmer Rouge government and installing a puppet government in Phnom Penh. Vietnam continued fighting members of the Khmer Rouge until Vietnamese forces withdrew in 1989 and in 1991, the UN mediated a ceasefire. By 1992, however, the Khmer Rouge withdrew from the agreement and resumed fighting until they were defeated in 1999. Meanwhile, the 1993 elections formed a power-sharing arrangement between the two largest political parties; Cambodian People's Party (CPP) and the National United Front for an Independent, Neutral, Peaceful and Cooperative Cambodia (FUNCINPEC). However, the CPP consolidated political power following the overthrow of FUNCINPEC's co-Prime Minister in mid-1997.

Close

Cambodia Conflict (1975 - 1999)

**Stage** Pre-negotiation/process

**Conflict nature** Government

**Peace process** Cambodian peace process

#### **Parties**

(Signed) Pierre-Louis BLANC, Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations (Signed) Thomas R. PICKERING, Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations

(Signed) LI Daoyu, Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations

(Signed) Yuli M. VOLONTSOV, Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations

(Signed) Crispin TICKELL Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations

Also later agreed by the Cambodian parties, not listed here, but presumed to be those which later form the Superme National Council: H.R.H Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the government of Cambodia, Khmer People's National Liberation Front (KPNLF), FUNCINPEC, Democratic Kampuchea (Khmer Rouge).

#### **Third parties**

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#### Description

This agreement, drawn up by the representatives of the five permanent members of the UN security council outlines the principles underlined in the Framework Agreement and calls on the parties to implement the comprehensive settlement of the Cambodian conflict at the Paris Conference.

### Agreement document

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#### Groups

**Children/youth** No specific mention.

**Disabled persons** No specific mention.

**Elderly/age** No specific mention.

**Migrant workers** No specific mention.

#### Racial/ethnic/ national group

Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Anti-discrimination

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#### Religious groups

Groups→Religious groups→Anti-discrimination

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**Indigenous people** No specific mention.

**Other groups** No specific mention.

**Refugees/displaced** Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive

persons

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**Social class** No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and

gender

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distinction as to race, sex, language or religion.

**Men and boys** No specific mention.

**LGBTI** No specific mention.

**Family** No specific mention.

### **State definition**

### Nature of state (general)

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Page 8, SECTION 5, INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES, 31: The aim of the provisions of this section should be to: safeguard the independent and neutral status of Cambodia; prevent foreign aggression against Cambodia or interference in the affairs of that country; safeguard human rights in Cambodia and prevent a return to the policies and practices of the past; facilitate a comprehensive and durable political settlement based on self-determination of the Cambodian people, and ensure that the settlement agreed upon is implemented in its entirety.

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Page 9, SECTION 5, INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES, 33: As part of a comprehensive political settlement, the states participating in the Paris Conference will conclude a multilateral agreement to recognize and respect the independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and inviolability, neutrality, national unity of Cambodia. This agreement will be open to adherence by all member States of the United Nations.

Page 9, SECTION 5, INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES, 34: The details of the respective obligations of Cambodia and the other participating States will be based upon the consensus achieved in the Second Committee of the Paris Conference on Cambodia, including in particular undertakings with respect to:

- a) Refraining from entering into military alliances or other military agreements between Cambodia and other States that would be inconsistent with Cambodia's neutrality without prejudice to its right to receive or acquire the necessary military equipment, arms, munitions and assistance to enable it to exercise its legitimate right of self-defence and to maintain law and order;
- ...c) Terminating the treaties and agreements which are incompatible with Cambodia's independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and inviolability, neutrality and national unity;
- ...e) Consistent with the United Nations Charter, refraining from the use or threat of use of force, or the use of their territories or the territories of other States to impair the independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and inviolability, neutrality and national unity of Cambodia;
- f) Refraining from the use of Cambodian territory to impair the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of other States

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**Self determination** No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

#### Independence/ secession

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**Accession/** No specific mention. **unification** 

**Border delimitation** No specific mention.

Cross-border provision

No specific mention.

#### Governance

**Political** reformed)

Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→Temporary new institutions institutions (new or Page 2, STATEMENT OF THE FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON CAMBODIA: ... The Five thus now call on the Cambodian parties to the conflict to commit themselves to this process and to form the Supreme National Council as soon as possible on the basis outlined in the framework document.

> Page 2, STATEMENT OF THE FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON CAMBODIA: ...To this end, the Five support Indonesia's efforts to convene in Jakarta a meeting with the Cambodian parties. They urge the two co-Chairmen of the Paris Conference to commend the framework to the Cambodian parties and to persuade them to form the Supreme National Council accordingly.

> Page 2, STATEMENT OF THE FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON CAMBODIA: ...The early formation of a Supreme National Council would permit that body to designate its representative to occupy the Cambodian seat in the United Nations and other international organizations.

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> Page 4, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 2: In the light of their discussions during their first five meetings and taking account of the wishes of parties concerned, the Five believe it is appropriate to establish at an early date a Supreme National Council (SNC) of Cambodia.

Page 4, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 3: The composition of the SNC, including the selection and number of its members, should be decided by the Cambodian parties through consultations. No party should be dominant in this process.

Page 4, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 4: The SNC should be composed of representative individuals with authority among the Cambodian people. They should be acceptable to each other. They may include representative individuals of all shades of opinion among the people of Cambodia. The members of the SNC should be committed to the holding of free and fair elections as the basis for forming a new and legitimate government

Page 4, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 5: Should Prince Norodom SIHANOUK be elected by the SNC as its President, the Five would welcome this decision.

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#### **Elections**

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...III. - Elections under United Nations auspices

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Page 6, SECTION 3, ELECTIONS UNDER UNITED NATIONS AUSPICES, 21: The electoral process should be guided by the following principles:

a) The system and procedures adopted should be, and be seen to be, absolutely impartial while the arranger personal be as administratively simple and efficient as possible:

h) All Cambadian participants in the elections should have the same rights freedoms

Electoral commission

No specific mention.

Political parties reform

No specific mention.

#### **Civil society**

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- I. Transitional arrangements regarding the administration of Cambodia during the preelection period;
- II. Military arrangements during the transitional period;
- III. Elections under United Nations auspices
- IV. Human rights protection;
- V. International guarantees

This document will be made public after it has been communicated to the interested parties.

Traditional/ religious leaders

No specific mention.

Public administration

No specific mention.

#### Constitution

Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making

Page 7, SECTION 3, ELECTIONS UNDER UNITED NATIONS AUSPICES, 23: A comprehensive political settlement must include a specified period within which elections will take place. The duration of the electoral process should be consistent with the above and as short as possible. It should lead to a single election of a constituent assembly which would draft and approve a Constitution and transform itself into a legislative assembly, which will create the new Government. The principles on which the new Cambodian constitution should be based will be an integral part of a comprehensive political settlement.

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#### **Power sharing**

## Political power sharing

Power sharing→Political power sharing→Executive coalition State level

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Power sharing→Political power sharing→International involvement State level

Page 5, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 8: Being the unique legitimate body and source of authority in Cambodia during the transitional period, the SNC, at the time the comprehensive political settlement is signed, will delegate to the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (UNTAC) all powers necessary to ensure the implementation of the comprehensive agreement, including those relating to the conduct of free and fair elections and the relevant aspects of the administration of Cambodia.

Page 5, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 9: The SNC should offer advice to the UNTAC which will comply with this advice provided there is a consensus among the members of the SNC, and provided this advice is consistent with the objectives of the comprehensive political settlement. The Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General will determine whether such advice is consistent with the comprehensive political settlement. He should attend the meetings of the SNC and give its members all necessary information on the decisions taken by UNTAC.

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### Territorial power sharing

No specific mention.

**Economic power** sharing

No specific mention.

Military power

No specific mention.

sharing

#### **Human rights and equality**

## general

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...IV. - Human rights protection;

Page 7, SECTION 3, ELECTIONS UNDER UNITED NATIONS AUSPICES, 22. The provisions for the holding of free and fair elections under United Nations auspices, as part of a comprehensive political settlement, must include inter alia:

...i) Adoption of a Code of Conduct regulating participation in the elections in a manner consistent with respect for human rights, including the prohibition of coercion or financial inducement in order to influence voter preference.

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Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

### Treaty incorporation

Page 7, SECTION 4, HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION, 24: Cambodia's tragic recent history requires special measures to assure protection of human rights. Therefore, the comprehensive political settlement should commit Cambodia to comply with the obligations of the relevant international human rights instruments as well as with relevant resolutions of the UN General Assembly. Necessary measures should be taken in order to observe human rights and ensure the non- return to the policies and practices of the past.

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### Civil and political rights

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Equality

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Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Vote and take part

Page 6, SECTION 3, ELECTIONS UNDER UNITED NATIONS AUSPICES, 21: The electoral

process should be guided by the following principles:

...b) All Cambodian participants in the elections should have the same rights, freedoms and opportunities to take part in the election process;

### Socio-economic rights

No specific mention.

#### **Rights related issues**

#### Citizenship

Rights related issues→Citizenship→Citizens, specific rights

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#### **Democracy**

No specific mention.

### Detention procedures

No specific mention.

### Media and communication

Rights related issues→Media and communication→Governance of media
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Page 7, SECTION 3, ELECTIONS UNDER UNITED NATIONS AUSPICES, 22. The provisions for the holding of free and fair elections under United Nations auspices, as part of a comprehensive political settlement, must include inter alia:

...f) Fair access to the media, including press, TV and radio, for all candidates;

**Mobility/access** No specific mention.

Protection measures

No specific mention.

**Other** No specific mention.

#### **Rights institutions**

**NHRI** 

No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions

Rights institutions→Regional or international human rights institutions→Monitoring calls Page 8, SECTION 4, HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION, 27: In recognition of the need to promote respect for human rights in Cambodia and for all Cambodians, the comprehensive political settlement should include provisions under UN auspices to guarantee the following during the transitional period

- a) Development and implementation of a programme of human rights education to promote respect for and understanding of human rights
- b) General human rights oversight of all aspects of the transitional administration, and c) Investigation of human rights complaints, and, where appropriate, corrective action.

Page 8, SECTION 4, HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION, 30: In the event of future serious violations of human rights in Cambodia, other States should, consistent with the provisions of the section on international guarantees, call upon the competent organs of the UN to take appropriate action in accordance with relevant international instruments.

Page 9, SECTION 5, INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES, 36: In the event of a violation or threat of violation of the independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity, neutrality and national unity of Cambodia, or of any of the other commitments herein, including those relating to human rights, the participating States will immediately undertake appropriate consultations with a view to adopting all appropriate measures to ensure respect for those commitments. Such measures may include, inter alia, reference to the Security Council of the United Nations or recourse to the means for the peaceful settlement of disputes referred to in Article 33 of the Charter of the United Nations. The participating States may also seek the good offices of the co-chairmen of the Paris conference on Cambodia.

Rights institutions→Regional or international human rights institutions→Body tasked Page 8, SECTION 4, HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION, 28: Following the elections, the UN Human Rights Commission should continue to monitor closely the human rights situation in Cambodia, including if necessary by the appointment of a Special Rapporteur who would report his findings annually to the Commission and to the General Assembly.

#### **Justice sector reform**

**Criminal justice and** No specific mention. **emergency law** 

**State of emergency** No specific mention. **provisions** 

**Judiciary and** 

No specific mention.

courts

Prisons and detention

No specific mention.

Traditional Laws

No specific mention.

#### **Socio-economic reconstruction**

Development or

No specific mention.

socio-economic reconstruction

National economic No specific mention.

plan

**Natural resources** No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

**Business** No specific mention.

**Taxation** No specific mention.

**Banks** No specific mention.

#### Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/ No specific mention.

 $nomadism\ rights$ 

**Cultural heritage** No specific mention.

**Environment** No specific mention.

Water or riparian

No specific mention.

rights or access

### **Security sector**

#### Security Guarantees

Page 5, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 10: In order to ensure a neutral political environment conducive to free and fair general elections, administrative agencies, bodies and offices which could directly influence the outcome of elections should be placed under direct UN supervision or control. In that context special attention will be given to foreign affairs, national defence, finance, public security and information. To reflect the importance of these subjects, UNTAC needs to exercise such control as is necessary to ensure the strict neutrality of the bodies responsible for them. The UN in consultation with the SNC would identify which agencies, bodies and offices could continue to operate in order to ensure normal day-to-day life in the country.

Page 5, SECTION 2, MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, 15: once a ceasefire takes effect, UNTAC will supervise, monitor and verify the ceasefire and related measures, including:

- ...d) Locating and confiscating caches of weapons and military supplies throughout the country.
- e) Undertaking training programmes in mine clearance and a mine awareness programme among the Cambodian people.

#### Ceasefire

Security sector→Ceasefire →Ceasefire provision

[Summary: Ceasefire proposed but not yet agreed. It is proposed that the ceasefire will take immediate effect on signing the comprehensive agreement. it's status is unclear.]

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- a) Verification of the withdrawal from Cambodia of all categories of foreign forces, advisers and military personnel and their weapons, ammunition and equipment, and their non-return to the country.
- b) Liaison with neighbouring governments over any developments in or near their territory which could endanger the implementation of the comprehensive political settlement.
- c) Monitoring the cessation of outside military assistance to all Cambodian parties.
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Page 6, SECTION 2, MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, 17: The Five consider that a ceasefire is an indispensible element of a comprehensive agreement. As a first step, they call on all parties to the conflict to exercise maximum self restraint. To facilitate the UN deployment necessary for the agreement to come into effect, a peaceful situation should prevail in Cambodia. At the time of the signing of the agreement, all forces should immediately disengage and refrain from any deployment, movement or action which would extend the territory they control or which might lead to the resumption of fighting. The formal ceasefire envisaged should enter into force at the time the comprehensive political settlement agreement takes effect.

**Police** 

No specific mention.

#### **Armed forces**

Page 2, STATEMENT OF THE FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON CAMBODIA: ...At the end of their sixth meeting, held in New York on August 27-28, 1990, the Five reached final agreement on a framework for a settlement. The framework document is composed of five sections comprising the indispensable requirements for such a settlement:

...II. - Military arrangements during the transitional period;

Page 9, SECTION 5, INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES, 34: The details of the respective obligations of Cambodia and the other participating States will be based upon the consensus achieved in the Second Committee of the Paris Conference on Cambodia, including in particular undertakings with respect to:

a) Refraining from entering into military alliances or other military agreements between Cambodia and other States that would be inconsistent with Cambodia's neutrality without prejudice to its right to receive or acquire the necessary military equipment, arms, munitions and assistance to enable it to exercise its legitimate right of self-defence and to maintain law and order;

**DDR** 

Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions

Page 6, SECTION 2, MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, 18: In accordance with an operational timetable to be agreed upon, all forces will begin regrouping and relocating to specifically designated cantonment areas under the supervision of UNTAC. While the forces are in the cantonments, their arms will be stored on site under UNTAC supervision.

Page 6, SECTION 2, MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, 19: UNTAC will then initiate a phased process of arms control and reduction in such a way as to stabilize the security situation and build confidence among the parties to the conflict. The ultimate disposition of the factional forces and their weapons will be dealt with so as to reinforce the objectives of a comprehensive political settlement and minimize the risks of a return to warfare.

Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces

No specific mention.

### Withdrawal of foreign forces

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- c) Monitoring the cessation of outside military assistance to all Cambodian parties...

Page 8, SECTION 5, INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES, 31: The aim of the provisions of this section should be to: safeguard the independent and neutral status of Cambodia; prevent foreign aggression against Cambodia or interference in the affairs of that country; safeguard human rights in Cambodia and prevent a return to the policies and practices of the past; facilitate a comprehensive and durable political settlement based on self-determination of the Cambodian people, and ensure that the settlement agreed upon is implemented in its entirety.

- Page 9, SECTION 5, INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES, 34: The details of the respective obligations of Cambodia and the other participating States will be based upon the consensus achieved in the Second Committee of the Paris Conference on Cambodia, including in particular undertakings with respect to:
- ...b) Refraining from interference in any form in the internal affairs of Cambodia;
- ...f) Refraining from the use of Cambodian territory to impair the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of other States
- g) Refraining from the introduction or stationing of foreign forces or the establishment of foreign military bases or facilities in Cambodia, except pursuant to United Nations authorisation for the implementation of the comprehensive political settlement;

#### Pages 13-14, Annex 2.

#### MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD

- 13. The enhanced United Nations role requires the establishment of a United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (UNTAC) with a military as well as a civilian component.
- 14. The function of the military component should be to carry out the peacekeeping aspects of the comprehensive political settlement.
- 15. once a ceasefire takes effect, UNTAC will supervise, monitor and verify the ceasefire and related measures, including:
- 6 a) Verification of the withdrawal from Cambodia of all categories of foreign forces, advisers and military personnel and their weapons, ammunition and equipment, and their non- return to the country.
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#### Corruption

Page 7, SECTION 3, ELECTIONS UNDER UNITED NATIONS AUSPICES, 22. The provisions for the holding of free and fair elections under United Nations auspices, as part of a comprehensive political settlement, must include inter alia:

...b) The design and implementation of a voter education programme (ballot secrecy, voting procedures, etc.) to support the election process and a voter registration process to guard against fraud and to ensure that eligible voters have the opportunity to register; ...i) Adoption of a Code of Conduct regulating participation in the elections in a manner consistent with respect for human rights, including the prohibition of coercion or financial inducement in order to influence voter preference.

Crime/organised crime

No specific mention.

**Drugs** 

No specific mention.

**Terrorism** 

No specific mention.

#### **Transitional justice**

### general

Transitional justice Page 7, SECTION 4, HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION, 24: Cambodia's tragic recent history requires special measures to assure protection of human rights. Therefore, the comprehensive political settlement should commit Cambodia to comply with the obligations of the relevant international human rights instruments as well as with relevant resolutions of the UN General Assembly. Necessary measures should be taken in order to observe human rights and ensure the non-return to the policies and practices of the past.

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Amnesty/pardon

No specific mention.

**Courts** 

No specific mention.

Mechanism

No specific mention.

Prisoner release

No specific mention.

**Vetting** 

No specific mention.

**Victims** No specific mention.

**Missing persons** No specific mention.

**Reparations** No specific mention.

Reconciliation

Page 2, STATEMENT OF THE FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON CAMBODIA: ...Taken together, these documents outline a settlement process based on national reconciliation and involving an enhanced United Nations role which would ensure a just and lasting political solution to the conflict.

Page 4, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 1: In order to restore and maintain peace in Cambodia, prevent the continuation of the conflict, promote national reconciliation and ensure the realization of national self-determination through free and fair general elections, it is essential to establish a unique legitimate body and source of authority in which, throughout the transitional period, national sovereignty and unity would be enshrined.

#### **Implementation**

#### **UN signatory**

(Signed) Pierre-Louis BLANC, Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations (Signed) Thomas R. PICKERING, Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations

(Signed) LI Daoyu, Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations

(Signed) Yuli M. VOLONTSOV, Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations

(Signed) Crispin TICKELL Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations

**Other international** No specific mention. **signatory** 

Referendum for agreement

No specific mention.

# International mission/force/ similar

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Page 5, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 8: Being the unique legitimate body and source of authority in Cambodia during the transitional period, the SNC, at the time the comprehensive political settlement is signed, will delegate to the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (UNTAC) all powers necessary to ensure the implementation of the comprehensive agreement, including those relating to the conduct of free and fair elections and the relevant aspects of the administration of Cambodia.

Page 5, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 9: The SNC should offer advice to the UNTAC which will comply with this advice provided there is a consensus among the members of the SNC, and provided this advice is consistent with the objectives of the comprehensive political settlement. The Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General will determine whether such advice is consistent with the comprehensive political settlement. He should attend the meetings of the SNC and give its members all necessary information on the decisions taken by UNTAC.

Page 5, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 10: In order to ensure a neutral political environment conducive to free and fair general elections, administrative agencies, bodies and offices which could directly influence the outcome of elections should be placed under direct UN supervision or control. In that context special attention will be given to foreign affairs, national defence, finance, public security and information. To reflect the importance of these subjects, UNTAC needs to exercise such control as is necessary to ensure the strict neutrality of the bodies responsible for them. The UN in consultation with the SNC would identify which agencies, bodies and offices could continue to operate in order to ensure normal day-to-day life in the country.

Page 5, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 11: Adequate provision must be made within the terms of the comprehensive political settlement for the exercise of routine law enforcement functions under UNTAC supervision.

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### Enforcement mechanism

Page 2, STATEMENT OF THE FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS ON CAMBODIA: ...Once the Cambodian parties have accepted this framework and the SNC has been formed, the Paris Conference, which includes all interested parties and the Secretary General of the UN, should be reconvened. Its task should be to adopt the elements of the comprehensive political settlement and draw up a detailed plan of implementation in accord with this framework.

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Page 5, SECTION 1, TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CAMBODIA DURING THE PRE-ELECTORAL PERIOD, 12: The Special Representative of the Secretary General should investigate complaints and allegations regarding actions by the existing administrative structures in Cambodia that are inconsistent with or work against the objectives of a comprehensive political settlement.

Page 9, SECTION 5, INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES, 36: In the event of a violation or threat of violation of the independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity, neutrality and national unity of Cambodia, or of any of the other commitments herein, including those relating to human rights, the participating States will immediately undertake appropriate consultations with a view to adopting all appropriate measures to ensure respect for those commitments. Such measures may include, inter alia, reference to the Security Council of the United Nations or recourse to the means for the peaceful settlement of disputes referred to in Article 33 of the Charter of the United Nations. The participating States may also seek the good offices of the co-chairmen of the Paris conference on Cambodia.

**Related cases** 

No specific mention.

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