



Resolution on the Role of Cambodia in Peacebuilding

Cambodia's experience in peacebuilding, transitional justice, and reconciliation has been unique. The commitment to the goals of solidifying peace, promoting sustainable growth and increasing the living standards of the Cambodian citizens, by means of comprehensive reforms of the country's legal, institutional, and policy frameworks are acknowledged by the members of the CDI.

Furthermore, the CDI recognizes Cambodia's contributions and experiences in the fields of peacekeeping and demining under the umbrella of the United Nations peacekeeping and demining operations, transitional justice, cultural connectivity, and peace diplomacy. The Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC) was the first hybrid court under the Cambodian laws with the support of the United Nations, which held in the home country of the victims to have prosecuted senior Khmer Rouge leaders and those most responsible for crimes against humanity, genocide, and grave breaches of the Geneva Convention of 1949. The ECCC has also won first place at the Archival Games 2024, which is a global competition for archivists and records managers.

For a country experiencing genocide (for which CDI issued a resolution on 26 January 2017 on the 38th anniversary of the fall of the Khmer Rouge), Cambodia has showcased a successful model of a post-conflict country and provided a good lesson learned for peacemaking, peacebuilding, national reconciliation, social resilience, and sustainable development.

Since 2006, Cambodia has demonstrated its commitment to global peace and security by deploying almost 10,000 Cambodian peacekeepers to various UN peacekeeping missions across the globe. Cambodia's active participation in UN peacekeeping efforts has been recognized globally, with the UN ranking Cambodia 28th among 193 countries for its contributions to peacekeeping missions and ranked 12th globally for its commendable efforts in deploying female peacekeepers abroad.

For these reasons, we, the CDI global family

1. Welcome and support Cambodia's initiative in establishing the Universal Peace Charter and urges CDI member parties to consider cooperating in its implementation as it corresponds to the value of peace, freedom of reliable and accountable press, and participation of youth and women in peace and security, which are cornerstones of the work of our organisation.

2. Reiterate our commitment to invigorating Cambodia's increasing role in peace and reconciliation through a culture of peace in the Asia-Pacific region and as a bridging state in a new multiplex world order.

3. Encourage the Cambodian People's Party and the government of the country to keep investing in initiatives to promote peace and reconciliation internationally.

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