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Ministry of Planning

## Minute on

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Statistic Coordinating Committee

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On July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 8.30am, at the Meeting hall of the National Institute of Statistics, the Ministry of Planning, under the presidency of H.E Mr. San Sy Than, Director General of National Institute of Statistic, was chairman of the Statistic Coordinating Committee. Those ministries sending their representatives were:

1. Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Representative Ministry of Labor and Vocational Training Member 3. Ministry of Rural Development Representative 4. Ministry of Interior Representative 5. Council of Ministers Member 6. Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Member 7. Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sports Member 8. Ministry of Economy and Finance Representative 9. Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs and Inspection Member Member 10. Secretariat of Public Service 11. Ministry of Information Member 12. Ministry of Post and Telecommunication Member 13. Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology Representative 14. Ministry of Justice Member 15. Customs and Excise Department Member 16. Ministry of Culture and Fine Arts Representative 17. Tax Department Member 18. Ministry of Social Affairs Veteran and Youth Rehabilitation Member 19. Ministry of Industry Mines and Energy Representative Representative 20. Ministry of Women Affairs 21. Ministry of Tourism Representative 22. National bank of Cambodia Representative 23. Ministry of Land Management, Urban Planning & Construction Representative

**ABSENT:** Ministry of Environment, Council for the Development of Cambodia, Ministry of Health, Secretariat of Civil Aviation, Ministry of National Defense, Ministry of Public Works and Transport, Ministry of Religions and Cults, Ministry of Commerce.

Agenda

- 1. Welcome remarks by Director of Statistic Coordinating Committee
- Report of activities of the project implementation and the capacity building of National Statistic System
- 3. Data Collections from Ministry for drafting sub-degree on the Designated Official Statistics
- 4. Others....

First, H.E Director General, Chairman of the Committee has said welcome pointing out the role of Cambodia National Statistic System in the world statistic system and also the capacity, experiences of the countries which have developed modern statistic systems such as Australia, and Canada. H.E mentioned that the meeting was the crucial discourse on the expansion of the Cambodian National Statistic System and requested the consideration from the participants for selecting the statistic activities point which is to used in the draft of Sub-Degree on the *Designated Official Statistics* that will be fully implemented have to adopted. In that time, Mr. *Heang Kanol*, the project manager of the national statistic system development that sponsored by UNDP, gave a presentation on the activities of the project and the future of direction pertaining to the sub-degree on the *Designated Official Statistics* included as like the duty of the government agencies.

After the activities of the capacity building of National Statistic System and the prospect of issuing sub-degrees, when the Law on Statistics was enacted, in which the sub-degree on the *Designated Official Statistics* which requires the line ministries to compile and inventory of the statistics that they produce regularly, in line with the profile presented by Mr. *Heng Kanol.* The Chairman of Committee has requested the comments from line ministries on the proposed list of Designated Official Statistics:

<u>Views from Ministry of Industry Mines and Energy</u>: the sense of the sub-degree was not enough. The following points should be added;

- Statistic on factory registration by trimester, semester and annual
- Statistic on small firm registration by trimester, semester and annual
- Statistic on pure water registration by trimester, semester and annual
- Statistic on electricity power registration by trimester, semester and annual

Question: Is the statistic on labor force added in the sub-degree?

<u>Answer</u>: "No, it is not. It is the duty of Ministry of Labor and Vocational Training to compile is kind of the statistics." Said, Mr . Zia Abbasi .

H.E Director General of National Institute of Statistic talked about the National Statistic System of the countries on the world including collection and non-collection system requiring the facilitating mechanism which assisted by the sub-degree on the designated official statistic to smoothly and precisely process. H.E has made requested the line ministries to make comment on the draft.

<u>Opinions from Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries</u>: for crop products, the national institute of statistics has incorporated in the national account. So should the ministry include it in the sub-degree?

<u>Answer</u>: Only the figure of Value added (GVA) of the crop products was incorporated, by the national institute of statistics, in the computation of national account. So the statistics on agricultural products can be added in the sub-degree.

<u>Question from the Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sports</u>: "Informal Education" the English Language, probably, it was the *informal statistic*, wasn't it?

## Answer yes, it was.

<u>Proposal from Ministry of Social Affairs Veteran and Youth Rehabilitation</u>: The full name of the ministry should correctly written "Youth Rehabilitation" and for the statistic on disable person will be join debated with ministry of health.

<u>View from the Ministry of information</u>: requested to include the statistic on annual education broadcast system.

Opinion from Ministry of Tourism: Asked to have the verbal improvement

- National and International tourism statistics
- Statistic on annual tourism revenue and expenditure
- Statistic on annual tourism services

Noting that the time was constrained as well as several discourses were made and allowing the participants to take the result of the meeting to consult and to get approval from their ministry leaders, H.E chairman of the meeting has made the participants to discuss, at their ministries about that, on what points should added or erased from sub-degree and send the final decision, having been approved by their ministry leaders, to national institute of statistics before the end of August, 2007. And also has made the same suggestion to the absent ministries.

The meeting ended on July 27, 2007 at 11.40am.

Secretary

Seen and Agreed

Chairman of the meeting