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Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia

Phnom Penh, October 12, 2017

Ms. Ann Mills-Griffiths
Chairman of the Board & CEO,
National League of Families
Of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia
Virginia

Ms. Ann Mills-Griffiths,

I would like to refer to your letter dated 25 September 2017, regarding the temporary suspension of cooperation on POW/MIA in my country.

First of all, it is our general principle that we seek to deepen cooperation with the United States across a wide range of areas on the basis of shared interests, equality, mutual respect and non-interference. For the particular area of POW/MIA, we have been consistently cited as the most cooperative of all countries because we stand on the principles of humanitarian and compassionate aspects of families. This also holds true in terms of cooperation on repatriation programme; however, Cambodia has been unjustly sanctioned for the simple fact that we requested for more consideration from the United States on humanitarian and compassionate aspects.

I wish to reassure you that the suspension of cooperation on POW/MIA shall be temporary and that the Royal Government of Cambodia will resume this cooperation as soon as we receive credible and mutual assurance of lifting of suspension so that both countries can restore our cooperation for the best interest of our two peoples.

I seek your assistance in generating public understanding on the importance of our bilateral cooperation and Cambodia always looks forward to working with you to bring this humanitarian mission back on track, thus contributing to improving the bilateral ties between the Kingdom of Cambodia and the United States of America.

Your Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the name 'Hun Sen', written in a cursive style.

HUN SEN