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Victims Support Section Section d'appui aux victimes

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PRESS RELEASE

WIDE RANGING SUPPORT SECURED FOR THE REPARATIONS FOR VICTIMS OF THE KHMER ROUGE REGIME

Wide ranging support has been secured for the Civil Parties' reparation projects requested in Case 002/01 before the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia (ECCC). These reparation projects will benefit victims of the Democratic Kampuchea regime from 1975-1979. The Victims Support Section (VSS) and the Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers Section (LCLS) who are leading this groundbreaking effort to bring redress to the survivors of the Khmer Rouge regime, wish to express gratitude to all current donors as well as governmental authorities and civil society organizations for their contributions either financially, politically or technically to the 13 reparation projects requested in Case 002/01.

Civil Parties seek the Trial Chamber's recognition of the reparation projects in Case 002/01 which aim to provide formal acknowledgement to the victims of the Khmer Rouge regime in order to mitigate the harms and suffering they have experienced, to preserve collective memory and restore victims' dignity. In case of conviction of the accused, the Trial Chamber may grant moral and collective reparations to the Civil Parties in its judgment if certain conditions are fulfilled; among them the requirement for documentation of sufficient external funding for each proposed project. The Trial Chamber has previously set the deadline of 31 March 2014 by which Civil Parties must submit any further documentation and information on the reparation projects they seek in Case 002/01, including updates on funding.

Having passed the deadline of 31 March 2014, the VSS and the LCLS are pleased to announce that for all requested reparations projects where funding was needed, sufficient

voluntary financial contributions have been secured, except for one project. Please see the table attached to this press release for information about the proposed projects and funding submitted to the Trial Chamber.

The VSS is an official organ of the ECCC, and it is mandated to facilitate and coordinate victims' participation in the ECCC proceedings, except legal representation. Furthermore, the Section is mandated to seek external funding and support and, in close cooperation with the Civil Party Lead Co-Lawyers, to identify, design and later implement reparation projects.

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Attachment: Overview of Civil Party Reparation Requests in Case 002/01

	Name	Main Project Partners	Description	Donors
1.	National Day of Remembrance	Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC)	Project to create an official national day of remembrance honoring victims and survivors of the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia. Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC) has already expressed its principled agreement to create such a day.	Not Applicable
2.	Public Memorials Initiative	Kdei Karuna (KdK) & Youth for Peace (YfP)	Project to develop a small number (~6) of public memorial sites with related truth-telling and educational activities through a consultative process with civil parties, local communities and other stakeholders at sites distributed throughout Cambodia.	[pending donor]
3.	Memorial for Khmer Rouge Victims: "For Those Who Are No Longer Here"	Séra ING (artist) ANVAYA Association Embassy of France OUBA SAS ACYC SARL Architects	Project to produce and stage a group of sculptural monuments on a raised triangular platform adjacent to the Embassy of France in Phnom Penh. The monuments will evoke events which affected the population of Phnom Penh in April 1975 when the city's inhabitants were forced by the Khmer Rouge to abandon their homes.	 Republic of France Ms. Catherine Quéré (French MP) Mr. Avi Assouly (French MP) ANVAYA Association OUBA SAS ACYC SARL Architectes
4.	Monument for Khmer Rouge Victims in France	International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) Victims of the Khmer Rouge Genocide (VGKR) Memorial for Victims of the Genocide Committed by the Khmer Rouge (MVGKR)	The construction of a monument for victims of the Khmer Rouge living in France at the Great Pagoda of Vincennes in Paris in order to provide a space where survivors and relatives of the victims can hold ceremonies and honor the memory of those lost.	Paris Bar AssociationVGKRMVGKR
5.	Testimonial Therapy	Transcultural Psychosocial Organization (TPO)	Project provides approximately 200 civil parties the opportunity to participate in testimonial therapy, during which they are invited to talk about their traumatic experiences with the support and assistance of a mental health professional who helps them to prepare their testimony in the form of a written document. The civil party or their support person later reads portions of their story in a public ceremony held in accordance with the civil party's religious/spiritual beliefs and cultural practices.	 German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) Stiftung Kriegstrauma-Therapie Commonwealth of Australia

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	Name	Main Project Partners	Description	Donors
6.	Self-Help Groups for Rehabilitation	Transcultural Psychosocial Organization (TPO)	Project will create locally-based and professionally facilitated self-help groups, which are voluntary associations of people that meet to help themselves and each other increase their level of well-being, develop coping skills and overcome traumatic suffering.	 German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) Stiftung Kriegstrauma- Therapie Commonwealth of Australia
7.	Permanent Exhibition on Forced Transfer & Tuol Po Chrey	Documentation Center of Cambodia (DC-Cam)	Permanent exhibitions on forced transfer and the executions at Tuol Po Chrey will be established in five Cambodian provincial museums at Battambang, Banteay Meanchey, Kampong Thom, Takeo, and Svay Rieng provinces. While the exhibition will initially be focused on forced transfer and Tuol Po Chrey, the specific topics may change over time to reflect other aspects of victims' and civil parties' experiences.	■ German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
8.	Mobile Exhibition on Forced Transfer & Tuol Po Chrey	Kdei Karuna (KdK) & Youth for Peace (YfP)	The project is an interactive exhibition that educates Cambodians about Khmer Rouge History, the ECCC and personal experiences of civil parties, especially forced transfers, through a multimedia exhibition combining film and other audiovisual material with participatory activities that encourage visitors to expand their knowledge and deeply reflect on the issues presented, relating them to their personal lives and contemporary Cambodian society.	 German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) German Institute for Foreign Relations (IFA) Narrowcasters Pty. Ltd.
9.	New Chapter on Forced Transfer & Tuol Po Chrey in Teacher's Guidebook	Documentation Center of Cambodia (DC-Cam)	An additional chapter on forced transfer and the Tuol Po Chrey execution site will be included in the <i>Teacher's Guidebook: The Teaching of A History of Democratic Kampuchea (1975-1979)</i> which is used in all DC-Cam's genocide education programs, in collaboration with the Cambodian Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport. The chapter will be interactive and focused on student-centered learning methodologies for the purpose of cultivating critical thinking, independent learning activities, reflection, and engagement on the history of Democratic Kampuchea and the experiences of victims and civil parties.	 Gessellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)

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10. Community Peace Learning Center in Samrong Khnong	Youth for Peace (YfP)	A Community Peace Learning Center (CPLC) will be constructed and maintained in Samrong Khnong village, Battambang province—a historical sight where mass killings of the Khmer Rouge Regime occurred. The CPLC will consist of an information center, a museum and a dialogue room. The community will contribute human and financial resources to the development and maintenance of the CPLC which aims to transform the site's negative past into a positive future by engaging the local community and civil parties in transforming the site into a place of commemoration, remembrance, dialogue and education.	 Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)
11. Illustrated Civil Party Storybook	Cambodian Human Rights Action Committee (CHRAC)	The project will produce a second edition of CHRAC's book of civil party stories. The book project transforms civil parties into narrators, telling their stories both in written narratives and illustrative artworks. The book will allow those whose voices are normally perceived as powerless, and marginalized to be heard and a sense of justice delivered through recognition and acknowledgment.	■ Gessellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)
12. Publication & Distribution of Case 002/01 Judgment	Civil Party Lead Co Lawyer Section (LCLS) Victims Support Section Public Affairs Section	This project seeks to provide civil parties with the Case 002/01 judgment both in its full text as well as a summary version. The summary version will be the official ECCC summary and/or a specially developed summary text intended to be accessible and interesting to civil parties, their families and the general public. It will explain the judgment and civil party participation in the proceedings in layperson's terms. The text will be accompanied by informative and entertaining illustrations that will help to explain the main points of the text.	 German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) Public Affairs Section Ambassador David Scheffer
13. Publication of Civil Party Names on ECCC Website	Civil Party Lead Co- Lawyers Section (LCLS) Victims Support Section Public Affairs Section	Civil party names and basic identifying information will be published in the Trial Chamber's written judgment in Case 002/01 as well being published on the ECCC website as a means to recognize the harm suffered by civil parties and acknowledge their participation in the proceedings.	Not Applicable
		Total Funds Secured:	<u>\$770,275.80</u>

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