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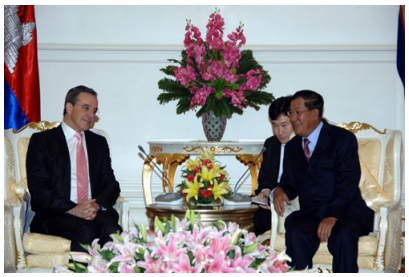

France has clear documents related to the Preah Vihear Temple issue, visiting French Secretary of State for Transport H.E. Thierry Mariani told Cambodian Prime Minister Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen in a meeting here today at the Peace Palace.
He further said France has paid high attention to Cambodia's three important fields – culture, politics and investment.

For the cultural field, France focuses on temple restoration and it has clear documents concerning the Preah Vihear Temple issue, he affirmed.

Regarding the political field, H.E. Thierry Mariani recalled France's support to Cambodia's peace seeking. For the investment field, he said he will sign an agreement with the Cambodian Ministry of Public Works and Transport and the Municipality of Phnom Penh on Apr. 1 to conduct a study on transport issue in Phnom Penh.

In reply, the Cambodian premier deeply thanked the French government for its attention to the Cambodia-France relationship, Ieng Sophalet, assistant to Samdech Techo Hun Sen told reporters after the meeting.

Cambodia strongly hopes that the relationship and cooperation between the two countries will be closer and further developed, especially through the resumption of Air France's Paris-Phnom Penh direct flight.

On the same day, Prime Minister Samdech Techo Hun Sen also received Mr. Jean-Cyril Spinetta, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Air France, and Mr. Xavier Huillard, Chairman of Vinci.

H.E. Thierry Mariani led a delegation to join the inauguration of flight resumption between Paris and Phnom Penh on Mar. 31. According to the Embassy of France, during his visit from Mar. 31 to Apr. 2, H.E. Thierry Mariani will be received in a royal audience by His Majesty King Norodom Sihamoni and he is also scheduled to meet with the French and Cambodian business communities as well as representatives of ministries involved in economic exchanges with France.