H.E. Hor Namhong Urges ASEAN Chairman to Carry On with Truce Observation

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Cambodian Deputy Prime Minister H.E. Mr. Hor Namhong, also Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation urged H.E. Mr. Marty Natalegawa, Foreign Minister of Indonesia to carry on with the task as truce observer for current Cambodian-Thai border conflict.

H.E. Mr. Marty Natalegawa chaired the ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Meeting in late afternoon of May 6 on the eve of the 18th ASEAN Summit in Jakarta.

The Thai side headed by its Foreign Minister Kasit Piromya was not pleased with the Cambodian side's call at the meeting. Worse still, the Thai side insisted on having all Cambodians—military and civilian—withdrawn from the Preah Vihear Temple area before the truce observation can be accepted.