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### Statement

The Spokesperson of Press and Quick Reaction Unit of the Office of the Council of Ministers categorically and completely rejects the remarks by Thai Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva who fabricated lies and twisted the truth through a number of Thai media outlets such as Thai Radar, Narasin, National News Bureau of Thailand (NNT) and ASTV message Online on 16 June 2011, saying that "Cambodian King Sen, Prime Minister of Cambodia, will arrest Thai officials that seize Cambodia for espionage".

As a matter of fact, at the graduation ceremony and the inauguration of the Technical School for Medical Care and Cambodia-Service Training/Jointly, in Phnom Penh, on the morning of 15 June 2011, Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padhe Techo Hma Sen made a public statement that was broadcast on radio and television, with the presence of a large number of diplomatic corps including the newly-appointed Thai ambassador to the Kingdom of Cambodia.

Prime Minister Hma Sen said "Cambodian officials should be cautious when travelling to Thailand even with a proper passport, you might be arrested and charged with espionage...for swapping with...".

Cambodia is deeply regretful for the intended twisting of the truth, a destructive attitude on the part of the speaker Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva, such a distortion of reality does not only cause the Cambodian people to lose their belief in the current Thai leadership, but moreover it does obstruct the promotion of mutual understanding, cooperation, and development that are the common aspiration of the peoples of two neighboring countries.

In short, this kind of remarks reflects the implementation of the policy of twisting the truth and distorting the facts of Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva, a Prime Minister who has a habit of twisting the truth, subverting and undermining public opinion endlessly including his own Thai people. Does Mr. Abhisit Vejjajiva deserve or not to continue to be the head of the Thai government since his irresponsible and negative political stance and view go against the general trend, especially the building of ASEAN community by 2015.

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