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On 27 July 2011, His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister, His Excellency, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, H.E. Sim Sitha, and His Excellency, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia, H.E. M. A. Rizal, signed a Joint Declaration between the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Kingdom of Thailand and the Republic of Indonesia on the subject of the Indonesian Overseas Votes, which reads:

"Referring to our Joint Declaration of 20 July 2010 concerning the proposed Joint Agreement between the Kingdom of Cambodia and the Kingdom of Thailand on Cambodia with the Order of 16/06/2010 of the Indonesian Government, provided for a proposed mutual agreement to be concluded between the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Kingdom of Thailand and the Republic of Indonesia, which article is inserted as follows:

"The purpose of this Agreement is to put into effect the abolition of the Indonesian Overseas Votes (IOV) in accordance with the process of the Political Disengagement Zone (PDZ) and effectively ensure the withdrawal of both Cambodia and Thailand personnel from the PDZ, as well as the formation of the IOV."

"I would highly appreciate it if Your Excellency could give due consideration and early response to this mutual agreement."

"I hope to get an early response from the Thai side in this regard."

"Thank you, Your Excellency, for the assurance of our highest consideration and with warm regards."

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation also sent a Note to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand with the similar content.

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