



**STATEMENT**  
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**THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA TO THE WTO**  
**AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (ECONOMY AND TRADE)**  
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**Mr. Chair,**

1. It is my honour and a privilege to deliver this statement on behalf of **H.E Mr. Pan Sorasak**, Minister of Commerce and Chairman of the National Committee for Intellectual Property of the Kingdom of Cambodia.
2. First of all, we would like to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to the Ambassador **Omar Zniber** for your excellent leadership of the 62th General Assembly during this difficult times.
3. We would like to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to **Director-General Daren Tang** and the WIPO Secretariat for making an effort and excellent preparations and arrangement of the 62th Assemblies. We welcome the statement of the Director-General and look forward to working with all the WIPO Member States in order to enhance our cooperation in the ASEAN region.
4. We associate ourselves and support the statements made by Bangladesh on behalf the Asia and the Pacific Group (APG) and the Philippines on behalf of ASEAN.
5. We would also to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to WIPO for the continuous support to the Kingdom of Cambodia for improving the Intellectual Property System, including capacity building activities, technical assistances in the drafting of laws and regulations as well as IP Automation System (IPAS), developing and registration of GI and collective marks, certification of marks, and many other activities.
6. We would also like to express our appreciation for the excellent support and coordination that the WIPO Division for Asia and the Pacific (DAP) extends to ongoing consultations for the specific:
  - Country Plans (CPs) for Cambodia;
  - Technology and Innovation Support Center (TISC);
  - Assistances on GI and collective mark products for registration: Koh Trong Pomelo, WIPO's support on commercialize Phnom Penh noodle and Kampot Salt and Kampot Salt Flowe;
  - The Enabling Innovation Environment (EIE) Project for Intellectual Property and Technology;
  - Draft Law on Trade Secret and Undisclosed Information;
  - Draft Sub Decree on IP Administrative Enforcement;

- Project on Individualized Training and Learning Management System for Trademark Examiners;
- ITMS-P Project: Competency-Based & Individualized Training and Learning Management System for Patent examiners: Improved Patent Examiners' competencies; and
- Technical assistance in deploying the cloud-based IP Office Business Solutions Platform for the Department of Intellectual Property.

7. On accession to the WIPO administered treaties, on behalf of **H.E. Mr. Pan Sorasak**, Minister of Commerce and Chairman of National Committee for Intellectual Property, I am pleased to inform that Cambodia is ready to be a member of Bern Convention. The instrument of accession to the Bern Convention will be deposited to the Director General in coming months. Moreover, Cambodia has committed to join other treaties in the near future to enable us to fully utilize the IP system.

8. In conclusion, we wish to stress that Cambodia has attached a great importance to the development of a sound IP policy to be used as one of the important tools for economic development and poverty reduction. We would request the continued assistances to support branding of potential of local products, strengthen and improve the IP administration, innovation, invention and enforcement in responding to the change of the global IP from development partners and international organizations, especially WIPO.

Thank you, **Mr. Chair**.

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