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Phnom Penh, March 30, 2020

**Address To**

**H.E Dr. Aun Porn Moniroth**

**Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Ministry of Economy and Finance**

Your Excellency,

As you likely know, there was a meeting at your ministry with the Cambodia Tourism Federation (CTF), led by Master Chef Luu Meng, who also serves as the private sector Co-Chair of the Working Group on Tourism. The purpose of the meeting was to present action items for the consideration of the Royal Government to help keep the tourism sector alive during this difficult period of time. (agenda attached) I am happy to report that it was a collegial and amicable meeting. I was asked to attend the meeting not because I am in the tourism sector but rather as Chairman of the International Business Chamber of Cambodia (IBC) and as your Co-Chairman for the Working Group on Law, Tax and Governance. I was happy to attend the meeting in support of CTF's initiative. As I am sure you know, the tourism industry, with all of its component parts, was immediately and dramatically affected by global pandemic and deserves our support. Someday the global crisis will be over, and it is important to have the tourism infrastructure in place for its recovery.

Today, I am writing to you to solicit your interest and support for extending the benefits requested by CTF to other sectors and, if applicable, to the entire business community. Although the impact on tourism was immediate, the fact is that the economy as a whole is being hurt by the coronavirus pandemic. Every business here will suffer to some extent, and so relief should be extended to them as well. Therefore, on behalf of the members of the IBC and Working Group D, I would ask you and your colleagues to consider similar benefits to be extended to other sectors and the business community in general.

Thank you for your consideration.

Please be assured, Your Excellency, of my highest consideration and warm regards.

Sincerely Yours,



**Bretton G. Sciaroni**

Private Sector Co-Chair of WG-D

cc: **H.E. Phan Phalla**

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