#### Agreement Between Sweden And The Royal Government Of Cambodia On Development Cooperation

Sweden, represented by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, Sida, and the Royal Government of Cambodia, represented by the Council for the Development of Cambodia (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties"), have agreed as follows.

## ARTICLE 1 SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE AGREEMENT

The overall objective of the Agreement is to strengthen opportunities for sustainable and democratic development and increased respect for human rights.

The responsibility for the development of projects/programmes under this Agreement rests with the Royal Government of Cambodia. The role of Sweden is limited to the contribution of resources to such development cooperation.

# ARTICLE 2 THE SWEDISH CONTRIBUTION

Sweden shall keep available financial resources for development cooperation between Sweden and the Royal Government of Cambodia during the period 1 January 2012 - 31 December 2013. As for the contribution of financial resources, Sweden shall keep available approximately Four Hundred Million Swedish kronor (SEK 400 000 000) during the above mentioned period.

The contribution of resources for government-to-government cooperation shall be made in accordance with the requirements laid down in specific agreements between the parties on projects /programmes of development cooperation, and shall be made available on a grant basis. The Parties recognize that contribution of resources to non-government actors will also be made from the above mentioned amount.

# ARTICLE 3 UTILISATION OF THE SWEDISH CONTRIBUTION

- 3.1 The main areas of cooperation shall be the following:
  - a) Democratic development and human rights
  - b) Education
  - c) Climate change adaptation

Gender equality and sustainable development shall be cross-cutting themes in the cooperation. Efforts shall be made to improve aid effectiveness in the areas of cooperation. Cambodia is a recipient country in the specific climate change package of the Swedish Government.

3.2. The Parties shall regularly conduct dialogue to review the implementation of the development cooperation and to follow up on the progress of programmes

#### /projects.

The following issues shall constitute the key areas for overall policy dialogue between the Parties:

- democratic participation and accountability
- respect for human rights
- gender equality
- anti-corruption
- improved aid effectiveness in particular as regards increased results focus and transparency

## ARTICLE 4 REFERENCES TO OTHER AGREEMENTS

The development cooperation between the Parties is also governed by:

 the Agreement on General Terms and Conditions for Development Cooperation between Sweden and the Government of the Royal Government of Cambodia, dated 15 January 2007; and

- specific agreements for projects /programmes of development cooperation.

### ARTICLE 5 ENTRY INTO FORCE AND TERMINATION

This Agreement shall enter into force on the day it is signed by both Parties hereto and remain valid until 31 December 2013. The Agreement may be terminated prior to the end of the agreement period by either Party giving the other party at least six months' written notice. The termination of this Agreement shall not affect the validity of any specific agreements that are in force between the Parties.

Two originals of the text of this Agreement, written in the English language, have been signed.

September 2012 Phnom Penh, 5th Phnom Penh,

The Government of Sweden

Signature

ANNE HÖGLUND

The Royal Government of Cambodia

Signature

DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER KEAT CHHON, MP

AMBASSADOR

MINISTER OF ECONOMY AND FINANCE FIRST VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CAMBODIA