

**Memorandum of Understanding
on Trade and Economic Cooperation
between
the Kingdom of Cambodia
and
the Republic of Uganda**

At the invitation of H. E. Mr. Cham Prasidh, Minister of Commerce of the Kingdom of Cambodia, a delegation of the Ministry of Tourism, Trade and Industry of the Republic of Uganda led by H. E. Dr. Abel Rwendeire, Minister of State for Trade has paid a Study Visit to the Kingdom of Cambodia from June 23 to June 27, 2002.

During his stay, the Ugandan Minister of State has held extensive talks with H. E. Mr. Cham Prasidh, Minister of Commerce, and other senior officials of the Ministry of Commerce, on ways and means to develop the trade ties and economic cooperation between Cambodia and Uganda. Both parties have exchanged their respective experiences in ensuring macro-economic stability and creating an enabling environment to attract foreign direct investments, thanks to the wise and pragmatic leadership that both countries have been endowed with. Experiences of Cambodia as one pilot-country in the implementation of the Integrated Framework for Trade-related Technical Assistance to the Least-Developed Countries (LDCs) aimed at mainstreaming trade into national development policies to poverty alleviation in Cambodia as well as a lead country in the linkage between trade and labor standards in the textile and garment industries were also shared to the Ugandan delegation.

The delegation has also held a meeting with H. E. Mr. Chan Sarun, Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, on the agriculture potential of Cambodia, namely in the production and export of fish, rice and cotton.

Furthermore, Ugandan Delegation held talks with members of the private sector, especially those of the textile and garment industries.

Mindful of both countries' similar socio-economic background and desiring to promote further South-South trade and economic relations between the two countries, both parties have agreed as follows:

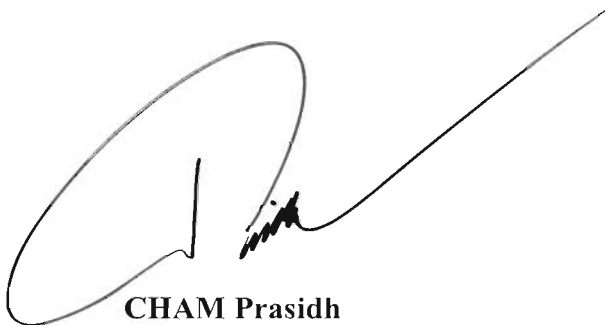
1. To promote linkages between the two countries and their responsible Ministries for trade and economic issues;
2. To exchange information on trade and business of their respective countries;
3. To exchange trade and investments missions and study visits;

4. To exchange further experiences in the implementation of the Integrated Framework in order to develop pro-poor trade strategies in their respective countries;
5. To promote closer cooperation and consultation among LDCs regarding international issues of common interest, especially in the post-Doha Trade negotiations;
6. To explore the possibility of establishing Honorary Consulates in both countries;
7. To conduct other cooperative activities, including Technical assistance, as determined by both Ministries;
8. To join forces in expediting and facilitating Cambodia's accession to the World Trade Organization with conditions commensurate to the level of development of Cambodia;
9. To share Uganda's experiences in the processing and export of fishery products to the EU market; and
10. To promote the Asia-Africa-Alliance (Triple-A Initiative) calling for the extension of GSP treatment to each other and among other LDCs.

Finally, the Uganda delegation has extended the invitation to H.E. Mr. Cham Prasidh to pay a reciprocal visit to the Republic of Uganda in the near future.

In witness whereof, both parties have signed this Memorandum of Understanding.

Done in duplicate in the Khmer and English language in Phnom Penh, on June 27, 2002.



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