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PRESS RELEASE

PRESS CONFERENCE: Launch of 2012 EFA Global Monitoring Report in Cambodia

ATTENDEES: H.E. Sok An (Deputy Prime Minister & Chairman of the National Training Board), H.E. Im Sethy (Minister of Education, Youth and Sports), H.E Pit Sophoan (Secretary of State of Ministry of Labour and Vocational Training) and Anne Lemaistre (UNESCO Representative in Cambodia)

WHERE: Raffles Le Royal Hotel

WHEN: Thursday 28th March. Meeting includes speeches and presentations from different stakeholders from 8am – 12:30pm, with the press conference at 9:30am.

LAUNCH OF GLOBAL MONITORING REPORT 2012 YOUTH AND SKILLS: PUTTING EDUCATION TO WORK

The Global Monitoring Report is an annual report published by UNESCO that assesses the progress of all countries, including Cambodia, against the six Education for All goals. The report will be launched in Cambodia at a meeting presided by H.E. Sok An, Deputy Prime Minister and Chairman of the National Training Board. The meeting will include a keynote speech from H.E. Sok An as well as remarks from H.E. Im Sethy, H.E. Pit Sophoan and Ms. Anne Lemaistre. The meeting will be attended by 100 invited guests from Government, NGOs, INGOs, training and educational institutions, and the private sector.

The six Education for All goals that countries around the world are aiming to achieve by 2015, are:

1. Expand early childhood care and education
2. Provide free and compulsory primary education for all
3. Promote learning and life skills for young people and adults
4. Increase adult literacy by 50%
5. Achieve gender equality in education
6. Improve the quality of education

The main objective of the national launch this year is to raise awareness about the critical importance of transition from primary to lower-secondary levels for all learners and to improve the quality and relevance of basic education to address the skills needs and gaps. The main expected outcome of the national GMR launch is to create a space for reflection and cooperation between different ministries, institutions and relevant stakeholders in order to benefit from the demographic dividend, by skilling the large youth cohorts who are now entering the labor market and will remain active for the next 30 to 40 years. The GMR 2012 national launch will also aim to highlight shared responsibility among stakeholders and call for closer coordination in this area of work.

The Khmer summary report is available from the NGO Education Partnership (NEP): info@nepcambodia.org

The full report can be downloaded from the UNESCO website: <http://www.unesco.org/new/en/education/themes/leading-the-international-agenda/efareport/reports/2012-skills/>

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