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ASEAN REGIONAL SEMINAR ON THE UNESCO 1954 HAGUE CONVENTION ON THE PROTECTION OF THE CULTURAL PROPERTY IN THE EVENT OF ARMED CONFLICT

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Siem Reap & Preah Vihear**

The Cambodian National Commission for UNESCO in collaboration with UNESCO and the International Red Cross (ICRC), and with the personal support of the Chairperson of the Intergovernmental Committee of the Second Protocol to the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Goods in the Event of Armed Conflict, will organize an ASEAN regional training seminar on this Convention. This seminar will take place in Siem Reap and in Preah Vihear during 3 days, from 1-3 September 2015.

The seminar is aimed at training military personnel from ASEAN Countries on the content of the UNESCO 1954 Hague Convention, and its practical use on the ground, and it is expected therefore to contribute to the protection of cultural properties in the event of armed conflict.

Six international experts have been invited and will participate as resource person of the training. With the trainees from ASEAN countries, they will visit some monuments in Angkor World Heritage Park and Preah Vihear temple to learn about the application of this Convention on the ground. They will then give presentations and share their experiences with about 100 participants on 2 September 2015 at the Conference Hall of the Military Headquarters 3, in Preah Vihear.

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Thank you!