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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia presents its compliments to the Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam in Phnom Penh, has the honour to request the latter to kindly forward the following communication to the Vietnamese authorities concerned:

1. In the spirit of friendship and mutual understanding with regard to the prevention of the spread of COVID-19, Cambodia wishes to request Viet Nam authorities to inform Viet Nam nationals not to travel to Cambodia by land, water way and air during the active period of Viet Nam's travel restrictions, which took effect from 00h00 of 18 March 2020.
2. The above request is made to avoid inconvenience at the two countries' border checkpoints, in light of the recent spike of confirmed cases of COVID-19, while Viet Nam has imposed travel restrictions requiring 14-day mass quarantine and self-quarantine of all travelers from ASEAN countries, including Vietnamese who return home.
3. Entry by Vietnamese nationals into Cambodia and Cambodian nationals into Viet Nam by land, water way and air will be temporarily suspended, effective **from 23h59 of 20 March 2020**. This measure is primarily aims to avert the inconvenience of quarantine requirement for both Vietnamese and Cambodian nationals who travel to Viet Nam from Cambodia.
4. The above measure does not apply to Vietnamese and Cambodian holders of diplomatic and official passports.
5. Cambodian side proposes that the local authorities of two countries work together to facilitate and ensure that the transport of goods across the common border can be carried out without disruption.
6. The Cambodian side requests the local authorities of Viet Nam to facilitate the repatriation to Cambodia of all Cambodian nationals, if any, currently placed under quarantine in Viet Nam.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam in Phnom Penh the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
Phnom Penh

Phnom Penh, 18 March 2020

