

A Statement
from H.E MR SOK AN
Deputy Prime Minister of the Royal Government of Cambodia

*Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,*

I would like to apologize for not being able to be here with you. But I hope my message will reach your heart, you who know how to appreciate historical and cultural values as well as the wealth that nature has been providing to us ever since.

*In the name of the Royal Government of Cambodia and on my own name, I am happy to invite you to share with me the treasure of “**Exceptional Universal value of Preah Vihear Temple**” that had been just inscribed as World Heritage on July 7th 2008 in Quebec Canada. This Temple belongs not only to Cambodian people but it also belongs to humanity and this means to you all, present in this special occasion.*

Upon joy of people loving arts and culture, I would like to invite you to participate in the protection of Preah Vihear, so our common treasure of history and culture, pride of our Asian Nations, would ever last for future generation of mankind.

Sok An