

LETTER OF INTENT 2017– 2019

ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORT OF THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA AND THE MINISTRY OF MOBILITY AND PUBLIC WORKS OF FLANDERS, KINGDOM OF BELGIUM DATED SEPTEMBER 12th, 2001

Following the meeting of the mixed working group on December 5th, 2016 in Phnom Penh, both parties agree on the following tentative program for the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding during the period 2017 - 2019:

- 1. PROMOTION:** Documentation and exhibition material on maritime and inland waterway transport and ports will be exchanged. Both parties will inform sufficiently long time ahead, all sorts of activities and exhibitions related to ports, maritime and inland waterway transport, so that Cambodian and Flemish companies and authorities can contribute with their specific applications and promotion. Both authorities will support each other in any international forum.
- 2. FLEMISH COMPANIES:** The Ministry of Public Works and Transport of the Royal Government of Cambodia (MPWT) will assist companies from Flanders, by facilitating cooperation with potential local partners / private sector in Cambodia and through the promotion of Flemish technology and knowhow. The Cambodian party will also inform Flanders International Technical Agency (FITA) of all upcoming international tenders in the fields, related to the Memorandum of Understanding.
- 3. SEMINARS:** The Ministry of Public Works and Transport of the Royal Government of Cambodia and the Ministry of Mobility and Public Works of Flanders will jointly organize a local seminar on “port/navigation safety an port management” in Cambodia in 2017.
Both the Ministry of Public Works and Transport of the Royal Government of Cambodia and the Ministry of Mobility and Public Works of Flanders will cooperate with other regional countries, with PIANC (World Association for Waterborne Transport infrastructure) and with MRC Secretariat to organize a Regional Seminar on “Waterborne Transport /Port Handling of dangerous goods and traffic safety” in Bangkok in 2017.
Both the Ministry of Public Works and Transport of the Royal Government of Cambodia and the Ministry of Mobility and Public Works of Flanders will cooperate with other regional countries and with MRC Secretariat to organize a Regional Seminar on “Flood Control” in Vietnam, 2018.
- 4. APEC / C-MAT:** Each year, three Cambodian experts will be granted a full scholarship including travel costs to follow a two week standard training course at APEC - Antwerp / Flanders Port Training Center. In 2019, Flanders Ministry of Mobility and Public Works will also provide an additional scholarship for a Cambodian candidate for the master degree in Transport and Maritime Management at C-MAT (Centre of Maritime and Air Transport), provided that a partial scholarship is granted by the Flanders Foreign Affairs Administration. Selection of the suitable candidates will be jointly made.
- 5. TRAINING:** The Ministry of Mobility and Public Works of Flanders will organize extra training or send a delegation of Flemish experts on navigation safety to Cambodia for local research and study.

6. INFORMATION EXCHANGE: On special request of MPWT, the Ministry of Mobility and Public Works will deliver to MPWT documentation and information, investigate the possibilities for organize training courses, workshops and technical visits in Flanders on the following subjects:

- Cross border navigation;
- Coastal and maritime transport;
- Climate resilient flood protection;
- Water policy; policy in terms of regulation, operation, commercialization and promotion of inland waterways; promotion of modal shift; RIS,... ;
- infrastructure (design and construction, maintenance and dredging works);
- water control (management; flood control);
- cross border corridors (f.ex. within ASEAN);
- stakeholder involvement.

7. COOPERATION PROJECTS: The Ministry of Mobility and Public Works of Flanders and the Ministry of Public Works and Transport of Cambodia will jointly investigate the possibilities on development cooperation projects with other partners, such as multilateral organizations and companies. Flanders will provide capacity building, inclusive expertise and if possible some co-funding with regard to drafting project proposals and the execution of the project.

8. Other projects in the framework of the Flemish - Cambodian cooperation are subject to proposals from the Cambodian Ministry of Public Works and Transport.

It is understood that the above mentioned tentative program is not in any way binding nor does it constitute any limitation to the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding.

Both parties will share the costs involved in the implementation of the above mentioned program. This will be considered and agreed upon in advance on a case-by-case basis.

Both parties reiterate that the cooperation between the Ministry of Public Works and Transport of the Kingdom of Cambodia and the Ministry of Mobility and Public Works of Flanders, Belgium, is based on mutual friendship and respect inspired by the friendly relationship between both countries and their people.

Made in two originals on this date of December 5th, 2016 in Phnom Penh,

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