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CCHR welcomes community celebrations for International Human Rights Day

In celebration of International Human Rights Day on 10 December 2011, the Cambodian Center for Human Rights (CCHR) will support a number of activities with communities throughout the country. These events are a reminder of the increasing awareness and understanding of and demand for human rights in communities throughout the country. CCHR's Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Project will support a workshop for members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) community in Siem Reap province to discuss social perceptions of LGBT people. Echoing comments recently made by United States Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, the workshop is titled "LGBT rights are human rights". In addition, CCHR's Human Rights Network Project will provide support to 16 communities across Cambodia who are holding events in celebration of International Human Rights Day. The events – which will take place in the provinces of Battambang, Kratie, Preah Vihear, Koh Kong, Kampong Cham, Siem Reap and Phnom Penh – are expected to include 5,700 people in total. The communities will host various types of events, including public forums, marches and meetings to discuss human rights issues within their communities.

The following are the locations of the community activities being supported by the CCHR Human Rights Network as well as the contact names and details of the organizers:

- 1) Kas Krala district, Battambang province - Koeum Kea: 092 238 805, Kim Sokhay: 097 615 7510
- 2) Snoul district, Kratie province – Mom Sakin: 089 942 159
- 3) Rech Reay commune, Roveang district, Preah Vihear province – Sam Soeun: 088 962 8169
- 4) Snoun village, Rousrorn commune, Rousrorn district Preah Vihear province – Sam Pheng: 077 635 969
- 5) Chhmar village, Chhmar commune, Chey Sen district, Preah Vihear province – Phok Hong: 092 590 301
- 6) Rohai commune, Roveang district, Preah Vihear province – Chum Siphem: 097 599 4607/089 886 108
- 7) Prek Chik village, Chikhor Kroum commune, Sre Ambel, Koh Kong province – Phav Nhing: 017 913 012
- 8) Sresom Chass village, Komporn commune, Memot district, Kampong Cham province – Doung Thet: 097 553 3317, Li Leang: 092 514 982
- 9) Banteay Srei district, Siem Reap province – Doueng Doeum: 092 883 951, Chhek Sambo: 089 766 331
- 10) Tapen village, Tbaeng commune, Banteay Srei district, Siem Reap province – Keo Sophy: 097 912 7819
- 11) Siem Reap City, Siem Reap province – Morm Rithy: 012 411 755
- 12) Andong Kantout village, Doun Ba commune, Koas Kralar district, Battambang province – Seng Sameth: 097 56 03 327
- 13) Anlong Speu village, Chakrei commune, Phnom Prek district, Battambang province – Sem Ban: 012 860 482
- 14) Boeung Chhuk village, Km 6 commune, Russei Keo district, Phnom Penh – Kheo Chanda: 077 880 200
- 15) Srah Chak commune, Doun Penh district, Phnom Penh – Tep Vanny: 012 604 648
- 16) Ampil Pram Deum commune, Bavel district, Battambang province – Oeun Sarim: 089 967 773

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