## **Concept Note**

### "Consultative Meeting on the draftof Cybercrime Law"

5 June 2014: 7.30 - 12.00 am

KSSA meeting room (KSSA/ICF Center: #19-21, Street 330, Sangkat Beoung Keng Kang III, Chamkamorn, Phnom Penh.Tel: 023 220 475/012 979 843)

#### 1. Introduction:

The Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC) committed to fast track the adoption of many laws including the Law on Associations and NGOs, Cybercrime Law, Law on Status of Judges and Prosecutors, Law on Organization and Functioning of the Courts, Lawson the Supreme Council of Magistracy, Law on Access to Information, Law on Management and Use of Agricultural Land, and Law on Trade Unions etc. The adoption of these laws is seen at different paces. Some laws have already been drafted and consulted with numerous stakeholder groups, including experts from civil society, the private sector, legal and academic experts to ensure the transparency and accountability of the government while some laws have been sent for approval from the National Assembly without any public consultations. Moreover, the analysis from different sources such as from independent analyst, local and international NGOs and others have been made available for some prioritized laws which are believed to be more sensitive and potential impact on rule of laws, democratic space, enabling environment, rights of the Cambodian citizens, and sustainable development for Cambodia.

The Cambodia's Cybercrime Law might be drafted in 2012 with two main objectives. First is to ensure the implementation of law, anti-cybercrime and combating all kinds of offenses commit by computer system. Second is to ensure safety and prevent all legitimate interests in using and developing technology<sup>1</sup>. However, legal experts, human right activists, and technical experts on information, communications and technology (ICT) viewed the draft law in its current form as broad, vague, and restriction on the freedom of expression rather than cybercrime.<sup>2</sup>

Given the aforementioned context, the Cooperation Committee for Cambodia (CCC), The NGO Forum on Cambodia (NGO Forum), Advocacy and Policy Institute (API) in partnership with other organizations plan to organize a Consultative Meetingon "The draft of Cybercrime Law" to be held on 5 June 2014(half day) in Phnom Penh in order to build awareness and to discuss the appropriate way to protect the democratic space and enabling environment in Cambodia.

# 2. Objectives:

- 1. To share the consolidate analysis and key findings
- 2. To discuss and collect inputs for joint advocacy effort
- 3. To give input and approve on joint advocacy strategies.

#### 3. Expected Outcomes:

- 1. The consolidated and key findings have been shared with stakeholders;
- 2. The comments and inputs have been generated and integrated in the joint advocacy;
- 3. The joint advocacy strategies have been inputted and approved by participants.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cybercrime Law, Draft V.1 unofficial Translation to English

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The International Center for Not-for-Profit Law (ICNL,2014)

# 4. Participants:

There will be 50-60 participants fromcivil society organizations, academies, legal expertsand relevant governmental agencies. The honored guests, resource persons/speakers will be invited from the Government agencies and CSOs representatives. .

# 5. Agenda:

Timeframe	Sessions	Facilitators
7:30-8:00 am	Registration	Organizers
8:00-8:05 am	Introduction:	Mr. Mi Nac,
	<ul><li>National Anthem</li><li>Purpose and objectives of workshop</li></ul>	Advocacy Specialist of CCC
8:05-8:15 am	Welcome and Opening	Mr. Soeung Saroeun,
	<ul> <li>Welcome and Opening Remarks by CSO representative</li> </ul>	Executive Director of CCC (tbc)
8:15-9:45 am	Session 1:Presentation	Mr. Ou Phanarith,
	- Key notes and update on cybercrime law	Government Rep (tbc)
		Mr. Pol Chanrithy
	- Key notes on International Telecommunication Union	Regional Coordinator – CRS (tbc)
	Key finding and concern on the draft of cybercrime law	Mr. Andrew Banome, Chief of Party, EWMI (tbc)
	Q&A	(tbc)
9:45- 10:00 am	Refreshments	All
10:00-11:00 am	Session 2: Strategic Discussion	Mr. Lam Socheat
	Road Map and Advocacy Plan	Deputy Director of API (tbc)
11:00 - 11.30am	Plenary reporting/Group presentation	Group Representative
11.30 – 12.00 noon	Conclusion and way forward	Mr. Tek Vannara,
		Executive Director of NGO Forum (tbc)

**Note:** The organizers reserve the right to alter the agenda subject to availability of speakers and dynamics of the consultation requiring optimum use of time for effective outputs.