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Closing Speech

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- Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen
- National and International Guests

Through the lively discussions and suggestions from the precious time spent in this meeting, we have achieved results which profoundly fit our objectives. I would like to summarize the meeting results as follows:

1. The promotion of the implementation of the National Policy to End AIDS by 2025 and the Sustainable AIDS Program for 2023-2028.
2. The adoption of the decision of the 1st plenary meeting of the National AIDS Authority 2024 to continue to implement HIV/AIDS response to achieve the 95-95-95 target.

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen!

I would like to take this opportunity, before closing of our plenary session, to present the summary of the overall results:

1. Overall, we have worked very hard to implement the action plan for the first 6 months of 2024 by ministries, institutions, national and international organizations, civil societies, at both the national and sub-national levels.
2. Join to strengthen ownership and leadership, as set out in the Pentagonal Strategy Phase 1, the National Development Plan, and the policies and reform plans of the Royal Government.
3. I would like to encourage the capital and provincial HIV/AIDS committees to continue to promote and cooperate with the sub-national administration, especially the commune authorities in the implementation of the Sor Chor Nor No. 213, dated February 21, 2019 by the Council of Ministers in response to HIV/AIDS at the sub-national level. This includes the use of the budget packages of 80 million Riels, 60 million Riels, and 40 million Riels aimed at improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the HIV response.

4. Increase the effectiveness of partnerships with relevant institutions and development partners to continue to cooperate with the General Secretariat for the National Social Protection Council, Ministry of Planning, Ministry of Social Affairs, and the Ministry of Health to continue to provide social protection benefits, and support work in response to the spread of the HIV/AIDS to HIV-positive people and key populations.

Along with the summary, the recommendations are as follows:

1. The General Secretariat of the National AIDS Authority shall collect all the recommendations adopted, in principle, at this meeting to prepare and improve for the implementation of future action plans.
2. Continue to promote and use all mechanisms to achieve the successful implementation of the National Policy to End AIDS by 2025 and the Sustainable AIDS Program for 2023-2028.
3. Increase efforts to implement the approved decision of the 1st plenary session of the National AIDS Authority 2024.
4. Continue to encourage and motivate ministries and institutions that have not yet received funding from the Ministry of Economy and Finance to propose the 2025 budget proposal in the budget plan of their respective ministries and institutions.
5. Encourage as many people as possible to get blood tests for HIV.

Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen!

Before concluding, I would like to thank Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen, and both national and international guests who joined in to participate in this important plenary meeting. Your vigorous participation, through constructive and insightful exchange of ideas, has allowed us to be able to improve the performance of the fight against HIV/AIDS to an effective and elevated level.

I would also like to acknowledge the General Secretariat of the National AIDS Authority for the hard work in making this plenary meeting run smoothly, therefore bearing fruitful outcomes.

Finally, I would like to wish Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen, and all national and international guests with the four Buddha blessings of longevity, nobility, happiness, and strength and safe travels back home.

I now announce the closure of the "1st Plenary Meeting of the National AIDS Authority 2024."

Thank you.