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WIPO NATIONAL SEMINAR ON THE USE OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY IN ENHANCING THE COMPETITIVENESS OF CAMBODIAN INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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8.30 - 9.30 Registration

9.30 – 10.00 OPENING CEREMONY

Opening remarks by:

The Representative of the Government of Cambodia

The Representative of the Japan Patent Office (JPO)

The Representative of the World Intellectual Property Organization

(WIPO)

10.00 - 10.15 Tea Break

10.15 – 11.15 Theme 1: Intellectual Property (IP) as a Tool for Economic

Development

Speaker: Ms. Najmia Rahimi, Senior Program

Officer, Economic Development Bureau

for Asia and the Pacific, WIPO

Discussion

11.15 – 12.15 Theme 2: Using the IP System for Enhancing the

Competitiveness of Small and Medium-sized

Enterprises (SMEs)

Speaker: Ms. Lien Verbauwhede, Consultant,

Small and Medium-sized Enterprises

(SMEs) Division, WIPO

Discussion

12.15 – 14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.00 Theme 3: Role of SME Support Institutions in Cambodia in

Enhancing Awareness and Use of the Tools of the

IP System

Speaker: Mr. Penn Sovicheat, Deputy Director,

Intellectual Property Department, Ministry of Commerce, Phnom Penh

Discussion

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15.00 - 15.15Tea Break 15.15 - 16.15Theme 4: Importance of Patent Documents as a Source of Technical, Commercial and Legal Information Speaker: Mr. José L. Herce-Vigil, Deputy Director and Head, Industrial Property Information Services Section, WIPO Discussion 18.00 WIPO Reception Friday, March 10, 2006 9.00 - 10.00Theme 5: Free and Commercial Sources of Patent Information Speaker: Mr. José L. Herce-Vigil Discussion 10.00 - 10.15Tea Break 10.15 - 11.15Theme 6: Best Practices in Creating Awareness and Capacity on IP Matters in SMEs - Learning from the Experience of other Countries Speaker: Ms. Lien Verbauwhede Discussion 11.15 - 12.15Theme 7: Opportunities and Challenges in Using the <u>Industrial Property System in Cambodia</u> Speaker: Mr. Ngeth Vibol, Director, Department of Industrial Property, Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy, Phnom Penh Discussion 12.15 - 14.00Lunch Break

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14.00 – 15.00 Theme 8: Role of IP in Marketing of Products of SMEs;

Importance of Collective Marks, Certification

Marks and Geographical Indications

Speaker: Ms. Lien Verbauwhede

Discussion

15.00 – 16.00 Panel Discussion: Enhancing the Competitiveness of Cambodian

Industry: Measures that may be Taken in the Field

of IP

All participants and speakers

16.00 – 16.30 CLOSING CEREMONY

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