Cambodian Troops Arrive in Chad to Participate in UN Mission

Abeche, 19 November 2009 – Cambodian troops arrived on 17 November 2009 in Abeche as part of MNURCAT, the UN Peacekeeping Mission mandated for eastern Chad and northeastern Central African Republic.

The 42 Cambodian soldiers will be tasked with assisting in the movement control of UN personnel and logistic assets in Eastern Chad, chiefly based in Abeche. The contingent is expected to serve the mission for a period of one year.

The arrival of the Cambodians brings the number of troops to 2,749 representing 52.61% of the required strength.

MINURCAT is the second UN mission in which Cambodians are taking part after their participation in a demining exercise in Sudan in 2006.