

Ministry of Commerce's Notification No. 2963 on the Reservation of Names for Companies/Enterprises dated 1 October 2020

On 1 October 2020, the Ministry of Commerce (the "**MOC**") issued a notification on the reservation of names for companies/enterprises through the new online business registration platform established by the Royal Gomverment of Cambodia. A name may be reserved either during or prior to the company registration process.

An individual person, who wishes to reserve a name, must fill in the reservation of name application via the new online system which will be reviewed and, if available, approved by the MOC after payment is made by the applicant. Each individual person can reserve up to a maximum of three names and each name will be reserved for a period of two weeks from the approval date. The reservation of each name may be extended for an additional two weeks by application made at least one day prior to the end of the initial two-week period. Only one such extension is allowed. The reservation will be removed if the application to establish the company or enterprise is not lodged after expiration of the validity period, as the same may be extended as noted above.

In terms of approval, the name for reservation must not be confusing, offensive or inappropriate.

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