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STATEMENT OF THE PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF *BETTER FACTORIES CAMBODIA* ON THE RELEASE OF THE TWENTY-THIRD ILO SYNTHESIS REPORT ON WORKING CONDITIONS IN CAMBODIA'S GARMENT SECTOR

1. On 8th December 2009, the Project Advisory Committee (PAC) of the ILO *Better Factories Cambodia* project met in Phnom Penh to review and endorse the Twenty-Third ILO Synthesis Report on working conditions in Cambodia's Garment Industry. The PAC comprises representatives from the Royal Government of Cambodia, the Garment Manufacturers Association in Cambodia and Cambodian trade unions.
2. The members of the PAC welcome the release of this report which presents information on working conditions generated using the automated Information Management System (IMS) of the project.
3. We note with pleasure the continued high levels of compliance and improvements, despite increasing pressure on factories as a result of the global financial crisis.
4. We continue to express our support to the ILO project and call upon all stakeholders to continue to help make progress in improving working conditions in Cambodia's garment sector.

Phnom Penh, 8th December 2009.