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**PRAKAS NO. 0169**  
**TERMS USED TO IDENTIFY THE FORM OF COMPANY**

On 12 August 2021, the Ministry of Commerce issued the Prakas No. 0169 on Terms used to Identify the Form of Company (“**Prakas**”) to determine the term used to identify the form of company either at the end or below the company’s name by using the terms in full or in abbreviations.

Matter		Description/Note
Specific Terms Used to Identify Form of Company	Partnership and Company	<p>Term used to identify the form of company shall be applied differently as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Private Limited Company: “<i>Private Limited Company</i>” or “<i>Co., LTD</i>” or “<b>ឯ.ក</b>”;</li> <li>2. Public Limited Company: “<i>Public Limited Company</i>” or “<i>PLC</i>”;</li> <li>3. General Partnership: “<i>General Partnership</i>” or “<b>ស.ទ</b>”;</li> <li>4. Limited Partnership: “<i>Limited Partnership</i>” or “<b>ស.ក</b>”; and</li> <li>5. Single Member: shall use “<i>Single Member</i>” in front of the company’s name.</li> </ol>
	Branch Representative Office and/or other Business Communication Office	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Local Branch</b>: shall use the term “Local Branch” above or in front of the local branch’s name;</li> <li>2. <b>Foreign Branch</b>: shall use the term “Foreign Branch” above or in front of the foreign branch’s name</li> <li>3. <b>Representative office or other business communication office</b>: shall use the term “Representative Office or business communication office” above or in front of the Representative office or other business communication office’s name.</li> </ol> <p><b>Note:</b> name of the above-mentioned legal entities shall be the name of its parent company.</p>
Requirement for the Use of “ <b>HOLDING</b> ” and “ <b>GROUP</b> ”	<p>Private Limited Company and Public Limited Company which allowed to use the words (“<b>HOLDING</b>”) and (“<b>GROUP</b>”) next to the company’s name shall fulfill with requirements as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. “<b>HOLDING</b>”: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Shall have at least three (3) subsidiaries registered in Cambodia;</li> <li>b) Parent company shall have the business objective No. 642 (holding company) and provide the capital to its subsidiary for business operation. The parent company cannot directly operate the business.</li> <li>c) The parent Company shall hold at least 51% of the voting shares in each of its subsidiary.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. “<b>GROUP</b>”: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Shall have at least three (3) subsidiaries registered in Cambodia;</li> <li>b) The parent Company shall hold at least 51% of the voting shares in each of its subsidiary.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	