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Remarks by USAID/Cambodia Mission Director Erin Soto, New Radiology Suite Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

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Thank you all for coming this afternoon, to the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Center of Hope Hospital's New Radiology Suite.

SHCH is the busiest adult hospital in Cambodia, they serve 350 clients a day. They provide high quality free medical care for the poor and more importantly, at the same time training young Cambodian health professionals.

SHCH is a great example of public-private partnerships. Several parts of the USG, along with US academic institutions, US corporations, and all the wonderful SHCH volunteers – TOGETHER make the hospital and the service so valuable to the development of Cambodia.

USAID is happy to be part of your efforts and thank you for inviting me to celebrate with you the New Radiology Suite and allowing USAID to be a part of your dreams of affordable, quality health care for Cambodia.