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The Reception of International Law in the Legal System of Cambodia

**Treaties in the Cambodian Constitutional System**

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*“Treaties in the Cambodian Constitutional System”* provides synopsis into the Cambodian political, economic, and socio-political histories since the French protectorate until the present time, in order to see how Cambodian legal culture has evolved overtime. From one political system to another, there was also shift in the regulatory framework that rules the regime, and especially the amendments to the highest regulation: the Constitution, in order to legitimize the new government, especially to legitimize their illegitimate path to power. The paper also looks into the economic and international relation evolutions that each regime has achieved.

In the next front, *“Treaties in the Cambodian Constitutional System”* provides analysis into the Cambodian constitution 1947, constitution 1957, constitution 1970, constitution 1976, constitution 1981, constitution 1993 and the amended constitution 1999 and how the all these constitutions are linked together.

As Cambodia is entering into the global capitalist economic forum, for instance the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the World Trade Organization, the paper provides for the hierarchy of Cambodian regulations and the position of the international laws within the Cambodian legal framework.

Last but not least, *“Treaties in the Cambodian Constitutional System”* provides a chapter on alternative dispute resolution and the commercial arbitration, how foreign award could be implemented by the Cambodian court, Cambodian obligations and rights arising from its membership in the international organization and the International Center for the Settlement of Investment Disputes, and bilateral investment treaties, and finally the future aspects for Cambodia.