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Khemararangsi Buddhist Temple of ACT Inc.

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Background information on the organisation

In January 2000 at the Annual General Meeting of the Cambodian Buddhist Monks Council of ANZ Inc, the committee made a decision to establish a Buddhist temple in Canberra. With the agreement and support of the Cambodian community in Canberra, a special project commenced headed by Ven. Sovann Srey to establish the first Canberra Buddhist Temple in Canberra. Initially a residence in Melba was rented to accommodate two Buddhist monks.

In 2001 the temple was relocated to Florey, and the Association purchased the residence at Charnwood. In 2007, with the formation of the Associations' committee the temple was officially registered in the ACT.

Essentially our activities and services are the teaching of Buddhism, accessible to all Cambodians living in the ACT. Our long term goal is to further promote good relationships between the Cambodian Buddhist society within Australia as well as communicating with other Buddhist societies and religions around the world. The organisation's service represents a body corporate to liaise with government authorities on issues relating to Buddhist monks.

The Organisation held many special or holy days throughout the year the following essential Buddhist ceremonies as follows:

- **Buddhist New Year**
- **Vesak** or Visakah Puja ("Buddha Day")
- **Magha Puja Day** (Fourfold Assembly or "Sangha Day")
- **Asalha Puja Day** ("Dhamma Day")
- **Uposatha** (Observance Day)
- **Ulambana** (Ancestor Day)

As well as providing Buddhist religious functions, the Organisation also provides all the traditional cultural events such as Khmer New Year, Pchum Ben (Annual Ancestor Remembrance Ceremony) and Kathina (Ceremony to mark the end of the rainy season), teaching Cambodian classes and for children to practice Khmer traditional performances.

There are 380 Cambodians or 85 family members currently living in the ACT, the majority of these are currently living in the northern suburbs of Canberra. The

association would expect that the residents living in the south side of Canberra will participate when the land and building is completed. Furthermore with the increase in the population, it is estimated that the number will eventually double in size towards 2015

Please see the attached list of Cambodian people of the ACT supporting the purchase of land for the temple construction project in the ACT.

Provide written undertaking that your organization will:

- **Meet all travel expense to a place in a foreign country on whichever is the earlier: the expiry of the sponsorship; or the expiry of the visa**

The Khemarangsi Buddhist Temple of ACT Inc. office is currently resided at 3 Arkell Place, Charnwood ACT. The residence is used as the centre of Buddhist teaching, and is fully fund and supported by all Cambodians living in the ACT. The Association will meet all the travel and living expenses, including health insurance until the end of the applicant visit.

- **Not to seek to recover from you any expenditure by the religious organisation in relation to your travel to or from Australia, or in relation to financial support of you in Australia.**

The Khemarangsi Buddhist Temple of ACT Inc. under no circumstance will not seek any financial support to recover from the expenditures incurred by the sponsored applicant.

The nominee's Curriculum Vitae or resume :

Please see the attached for the nominee resume and qualifications

Details of exact duties/proposed activities:

General Overview of the duty statement

Order Of Merit	Details
1.	Orientation & Training Buddhism for new members
2.	Teaching Meditation and Training in Basic Virtue
3.	Organise all religious Ceremonies
5.	Conduct the Study of Monastic Discipline and Training
6.	Comprehensive knowledge of the application of Dhamma Principles for Everyday Life
7	Caring for Temple Property and Responsibility

Daily Activity Schedule

Time	Activity
04:30	Rise

05:00	Conduct Meditation, Morning Chanting, Spreading Loving Kindness
06:30	Perform the temple Various Duties / Personal Time
07:30	Breakfast
09:00	Conduct Sermon, Meditation & Teaching
11:00	Lunch
13:30	Conduct Sermon, Meditation & Teaching
16:00	Pana (Evening Refreshments)
17:30	Personal Time
18:30	Conduct Sermon, Evening Chanting, Meditation
22:00	Lights Out

Banking Details:

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 https://ibanking.stgeorge.com.au/InternetBanking/viewAccountPortfolio.do

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Account Name	BSB	Account Number	Balance	Available Balance
Society Cheque	112-908	464 510 332	\$46,382.72	\$46,382.72

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For period between 15 March 2007 to 30 September 2008

	\$ Amount
INCOME	
Donation toward activities	\$ 22,653.00
Fundraising activities	\$ 7,070.00
Member contribution	\$ 6,198.45
Government grant	\$ -
Other income	\$ -
Interest income	\$ 1.34

Sale of capital assets	\$ -	
Donation from Monk Council in Melbourne	\$ 20,000.00	
Total income		\$ 55,922.79

EXPENDITURE

Donation	\$ 200.00	
Expense toward fundraising activities	\$ 1,450.00	
Expense toward activities	\$ 1,854.10	
On-going expense	\$ 7,832.60	
Total expense		\$ 11,336.70

SURPLUS/DEFICIT

\$ 44,586.09