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## Situation Room on Cambodia Election Day 2013

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### Update of Election Irregularities: Concerns Regarding Indelible Ink and Access to Voter Lists at Polling Station

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Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) observing the 2013 national election - scheduled to take place on 28 July - are concerned about several new irregularities that must be addressed before and on polling day.

Indelible ink is used to mark voters' thumbs to ensure they do not vote multiple times. Staff at the Committee for Free and Fair Elections in Cambodia (COMFREL) tested the ink and noticed that it could be washed off easily in a few minutes.

At a press conference hosted by the National Election Committee (NEC) on 26 July 2013, officials announced that election observers and political party representatives would not be allowed to verify official voter list at the polling station.

The NEC should ensure that political parties have access to the official voter list so that they can observe the electoral process at the polling station. Moreover, the indelible ink should be tested at every polling station to test its quality. CSO observers request that NEC officials meet with political parties and observers and take action to deal with problems noted above.

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