

# "The Khmer Rouge Tribunal: An Inside View"

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The Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia – better known as the Khmer Rouge Tribunal (KRT) – has been a source of controversy since well before it commenced operations in 2006. Now in its seventh year of proceedings, the KRT is facing a variety of inter-related challenges which threaten to compromise the completion of its underlying mission. Donor fatigue, allegations of government interference and other issues may interact to bring the court to a close before it is able to reach finality on the substance of the allegations against the accused persons. We will review these issues and assess their possible impacts on the legacy of the Extraordinary Chambers.

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