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On 12 June 2013 Cambodian deminer and HALO Trust (HALO) employee Moul Piseth, 34, was killed in an explosion caused by an explosive remnant of war (ERW), possibly an anti-tank (AT) mine. The accident took place in Cham Yeum village in the Koh Kong province near the Cambodian-Thai border. In addition, two other HALO deminers, Kong Vibal and Yuth Khuoy, were injured in the accident. The three deminers were carrying the ERW as part of an explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) operation, when it suddenly detonated. After initial treatment at the provincial hospital, the injured men were subsequently transported to the capital city of Phnom Penh for treatment at Calmette Hospital.

Piseth, a native of the Takeo province, had been a member of the HALO EOD team since 2004. The organization described him as a hardworking employee who was well-liked among his colleagues. The Cambodian Mine Action and Victim Assistance Authority (CMAA) announced that it will provide support to Piseth’s wife and father. CMAA will also provide assistance to the two injured HALO deminers until they fully recover.

Endnotes

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