

# Prasat Phra Viharn

## Significant Chronological Legal Events

- **1904:** Treaty with France providing border to follow the watershed line
- **1907:** Mixed Commission of Delimitation under 1904 treaty finishes work; French officers, three of whom were on the Commission, asked to prepare maps; Another treaty signed with France, ceding additional territory to Cambodia
- **1908:** Fifty completed maps presented to Thailand; Was a major occasion; Maps seen by Siamese members of the Mixed Commission and all senior officials; Prince Damrong, Minister of Interior, requests 15 extra copies to give to provincial governors
- **1909:** Mixed Franco-Siamese Commission of Transcription set up to convert existing maps into atlas form, provide names in equivalent Siamese script, and create Siamese geographical service; No mention of Preah Vihear
- **1925:** Friendship treaty negotiations; no mention of Preah Vihear
  
- **1930:** Prince Damrong visits Temple; Is received by the French Resident in full dress uniform; French flag flying (“A clearer affirmation of title on the French Indo-Chinese side can scarcely be imagined.” ICJ 1962, p. 30)
- **1934-1935:** Thai cartographic survey shows Annex I line is *not* the watershed line, but this finding not conveyed to the French
- **1937:** Franco-Siamese Treaty negotiations confirm existing frontiers; Royal Thai Survey Dept. publishes map showing Preah Vihear in Cambodia; did so up until 1958
- **1941:** Thai Ministry of Information confirms Temple “retaken” during recent war
- **1947:** Franco-Thai Conciliation Commission meets in Washington, DC to work out any revisions to the frontier settlements of 1904 and 1907; Thailand introduces a map in regard to its numerous complaints about *other* locations along the border, nothing said about Preah Vihear, but the map shows Temple as being in Cambodia
  
- **1958:** Thailand makes first formal objection to the Annex I map
- **1959:** Cambodia files case with ICJ
- **1962:** ICJ decides that temple is “under the sovereignty of Cambodia”
- **2013:** ICJ clarifies meaning of the word “vicinity”

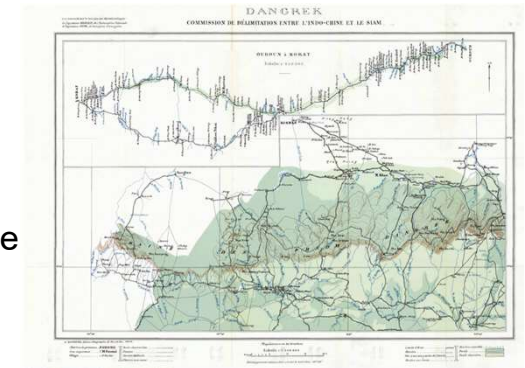


Figure 1: The Annex I map (scale reduced to 1:400,000)

