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REPORT
ON THE DIALOGUE MEETINGS BETWEEN AIPO AND OBSERVER
DELEGATIONS
12 September 2006

Mr. President, Your Excellencies:

I have the honor to report to the Second Plenary Session of the 27th AIPO General Assembly the results of the Panel for Dialogue Meetings between AIPO Member and Special Observer Countries and Observer Countries as follows:

1. The AIPO Panel for Dialogue with Special Observer Delegations and Observer Delegations met on 12 September 2006 in Cebu City. The first session was held from 2:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and the second session was convened from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the afternoon. Each Dialogue Panel was chaired by individual chairpersons from the Philippine Delegation as follows:

Chairman	Observer Country
Hon. Juan Miguel F. Zubiri	Australia
Hon. Edgar M. Chatto	Canada
Hon. Robert Ace S. Barbers	China
Hon. Ramon "Red" H. Durano VI	European Parliament
Hon. Robert Ace S. Barbers	Japan
Hon. Matias V. Defensor, Jr.	Korea
Hon. Eduardo C. Zialcita	New Zealand
Hon. Catalino Figueroa	Papua New Guinea
Hon. Herminio Teves	Russian Federation


2. Each dialogue panel was conducted in an atmosphere of cordiality and in the spirit of ASEAN friendship to foster better understanding on the following topics of interest/ agenda items approved by the General Assembly on 11 September 2006:
 - a) Regional Security Matters
 - b) Economic and Trade Cooperation
 - c) Investment Opportunities
 - d) Environmental Issues

- e) Information and Technology Cooperation
 - f) Strategies to Create Breakthroughs in the World Trade Organization (WTO) “Doha Round”
 - g) Exchange of Parliamentary Visits as Means of Strengthening Inter-Parliamentary Diplomacy
 - h) Cooperation in Fighting Pandemic/Infectious Diseases like Avian Flu, HIV/AIDS, etc.
3. The AIPO observer delegations expressed their keen interest in further strengthening and lengthening their relationships with ASEAN. The dialogue and continued flow and exchange of information reduced the distance between them and ASEAN for their mutual benefits arising from collaborative cooperation to counter crime, drug trafficking and to create opportunities for economic growth.
4. AIPO member countries, on the other hand, clearly took advantage of the dialogue to ask questions vital to their own growth such as concerns on how development aid can be obtained, regional security in Malacca, immigration, tourism and student exchange, WTO Doha Round, good practices for increased awareness for environment protection, and care of senior citizens.
5. More heartwarming, however, are the expressions of appreciation for the support and interest of the dialogue/observer countries on the developments and progress in the AIPO and special observer countries.

For the adoption of the 27th General Assembly.

The reports of the nine (9) Chairpersons on Dialogue Panel are attached as integral part of this report.

I hereby submit this report for adoption by the General Assembly.


EDUARDO C. ZIALCITA
Coordinator of Chairpersons for
Panel Dialogue



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REPORT
ON
THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE AIPO AND AUSTRALIA

Mr. President,

It is my great honor to submit the following Report on the Dialogue of AIPO with the Delegation of Australia.

1. The dialogue was held in the afternoon of 12 September 2006 from 2:40 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.. The Meeting was chaired by Hon. Juan Miguel F. Zubiri.
2. The Dialogue Meeting was attended by the following delegates:

Australia

1. Hon. Peter Slipper
2. Dr. Anna Dacre

Cambodia

1. Hon. Mr. Keo Remy
2. Hon. Mr. Chea Kim
3. Mr. Kim Sochetra

Indonesia

1. Hon. Marzuki Darusman
2. Hon. Trisanti Mitayani

Lao People's Democratic Republic

1. Hon. Prof. Dr. Bounngong Boupoua
2. Hon. Mrs. Chantoum Latmany
3. Mr. Amphay Chimanon

Malaysia

1. Hon. Senator Tay Puay Chuan
2. Hon. Dato' Samsiah Samsudin
3. Hon. Chiw Tiang Chai

Philippines

1. Hon. Juan Miguel F. Zubiri - Chairperson

Singapore

1. Hon. Lee Bee Wah
2. Hon. Michael Palmer
3. Hon. Charles Chong

Thailand

1. Hon. Tarnthong Thongsawasdi (Advisor)

Vietnam

1. Hon. Mai Anh
2. Hon. Chau Thi Le

Brunei Darussalam

1. Hon. Yunos Noh

3. The Meeting focused its deliberation on the following issues.

a. Regional and International Political Matters

Australia appreciates the increasing security-related dialogue and cooperation in regional bodies which complement the work of the ASEAN Regional Forum, including APEC, the ISS ASIA Security Conference and the proposal for an ASEAN Security Community which underlines ASEAN's commitment to a peaceful region. To this end, Australia welcomes the evolution of the ARF from the region's principal forum for security, into a body with the institutional and operational capacity to respond to regional security developments. Accordingly, Australia strongly encourages efforts to enhance the role of the ARF Chair, as agreed by ARF Foreign Ministers in 2005.

b. Economic and Trade Cooperation

Once the Free Trade Agreement that Australia with New Zealand is negotiating with ASEAN, the Australia's economic integration with the region will be consolidated and the same will complement existing FTAs with Singapore and Thailand, and the FTA under negotiation with Malaysia.

c. Investment Opportunities

Economic and trade cooperation growth promises increase in investment opportunities. Australia believes that increase in investments, continued cooperation and trade negotiations will open opportunities. Australian companies with ASEAN equity investment are predominantly in manufacturing/construction sectors, with some interests in telecommunications.

d. Environmental Issues

Australia is taking positive action, on domestic, regional and international fronts, to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions. Although Australia has not sign the Kyoto protocol, Australia is one of the few countries which successfully meet the target set under the said Protocol. Further, the Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate (AP6), of which Australia is a founding member, brings together key emitters on practical, pro-growth and technology driven efforts.

e. Educational and Cultural Cooperation

Education is a key element in the cooperation of Australia. Australia has served 69,000 students from ASEAN. Australian institutions have also established many centers in the ASEAN region including the RMIT campus which has been established in Ho Chi Minh City; the private research and teaching university in Singapore being established by the University of New South Wales, and the medical college to be opened by Monash University in Malaysia next year.

f. Scientific and Technological Cooperation

Australia supports efforts such as the 2001 G-15 Jakarta Declaration which urges the promotion of information and technology cooperation to bridge the “digital” gap between countries.

g. Exchange of Parliamentary Visits

Australia emphasized the enormous benefits gained from inter-parliamentary visits. The Australian parliament participates in several international cooperation dialogues on a regular basis like the Inter-Parliamentary Union, the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (which includes two ASEAN members, Singapore and Malaysia), the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary fellowship, and of course, AIPO.

4. Adjournment

Delegates concluded that the dialogue was conducted in an atmosphere of cordiality, in the spirit of ASEAN accommodation and solidarity, served to strengthen ASEAN-Australia cooperation. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.



HON. JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI
Chairperson



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REPORT
ON
THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE AIPO AND CANADA

Mr. President,

I have the honor to submit the following Report on the AIPO-Canada Dialogue.

1. The dialogue was held in the afternoon of 12 September 2006 at Tokyo B, Marco Polo Hotel, Cebu City from 2:50pm–4:15pm.
2. The Dialogue was attended by the following delegates:

Canada

1. Hon. Joseph Day
2. Hon. Bryon Wilfert
3. Mr. Paul Cardegna

Cambodia

1. Hon. Ky Lum Ang
2. Ms. Ly Son
3. Mr. Uy Visal

Indonesia

1. Hon. Abdillah Toha
2. Hon. Bindu Marbun
3. Mr. Robert Juheng Purba

Lao People's Democratic Republic

1. Hon. Singkham Khongsavanh
2. Hon. Davone Vangvichith

Malaysia

1. Hon. Dato' Seri DiRaja Syed Razlan Syed Putra Jamalullail

Philippines

1. Hon. Edgar M. Chatto - Chairperson

Singapore

1. Hon. Hri Kumar
2. Hon. Ho Geok Choo

Thailand

1. Hon. Pol. Lt. Col. Chachvan Bunmee

Vietnam

1. Hon. Nguyen Van Thuan
2. Hon. Nguyen Thi Bach Mai

Brunei Darussalam

1. P.D.N. Pg. Abdul Momin

3. The Chairman of the Dialogue, Hon. Edgar M. Chatto, welcomed the delegates to the dialogue with Canada. Subsequently, the members of the AIPO, observers and the representatives from Canada introduced themselves. Canada expressed its gratitude to the delegates for attending the dialogue.
4. The Dialogue was held in the spirit of friendship and mutual understanding. All delegates expressed their gratitude to Canada for its assistance to their countries. During the discussion delegates focus on the topic/s that they considered important to their countries. Following are the highlights of the discussion on the following topics:

a) Regional and Security Matters

Indonesia was concerned about travel advisories issued by foreign countries as such advisories affect Indonesia's tourism industry. Canada responded that travel advisory is just precautionary measure and may not apply to entire country. Malaysia was apprehensive about the visa restrictions where *bona fide* students and civil servants on study and official business may be denied entry due to such restrictions. Canada responded that it will bring the matter to proper department to review the issue. Thailand underscored the importance of the presence of law enforcement representative of Canada in Thailand and requested Canada for more training assistance for its law enforcement agencies.

b) Economic and Trade Cooperation

Lao People's Democratic Republic requested Canada to support the English Teaching program of Lao. Lao also requested for extension of quota for its textile export as well as assistance to Lao's small and medium enterprises. On export quota Canada replied that the local and political issue on the matter require further study. Singapore noted that it enjoys good working relations with Canada. Canada in return requested for the establishment of permanent mission in Ottawa. Canada commented on the calling off of the Canada-Singapore FTA. Singapore assured Canada that it is still on the agenda. Canada encouraged all delegates to apply for the development assistance of Canada through CIDA (Canadian International Development Agency).

c) **Investment Opportunities**

Canada encourages its investors to South East Asian countries but requested for the assurance of transparency on government policies on trade and investment. It urged countries to enact legislations on the matter like the Foreign Investment Act of Vietnam.

d) **Environmental Issues**

Singapore looks forward to a partnership with Canada on environmental front. Canada called upon national legislators to act aggressively on environmental protection emphasizing significant reviews of government proposals affecting environment.

e) **Information and Technology Cooperation**

Indonesia and the Philippines advocated for better exchange of information before travel advisories are issued. Philippines requested for a precise travel advisory which should be confined only to particular locality.

f) **Strategies to Create Breakthrough in the World Trade Organization (WTO) “DOHA Round”**

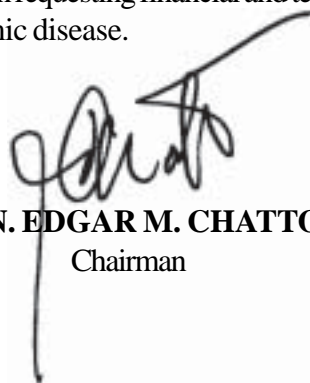
Canada strongly espouses bilateralism and multilateralism. Canada mentioned about Japan-Philippines FTA, which included nursing services, as a great alternative to the WTO. Cambodia’s problem on massive agricultural subsidies of developed countries can be addressed through bilateral trade agreement with other countries for the market of Cambodia’s chemical free agricultural products.

g) **Exchange of Parliamentary Visits as Means of Strengthening Inter-Parliamentary Diplomacy**

All delegates expressed interest in extending parliamentary visits.

h) **Cooperation in Fighting Pandemic/Infectious Disease like Avian flu, HIV/AIDS**

Cambodia echoed the call of neighboring countries in requesting financial and technical assistance to prevent and control avian flu and other pandemic disease.



HON. EDGAR M. CHATTO
Chairman



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REPORT
ON
THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE AIPO
AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Mr. President,

It is my great honor to submit the following Report on the Dialogue of AIPO with the Delegation of the Peoples' Republic of China:.

1. The Dialogue was held on 12 September 2006 from 2:45 to 4:30 in the afternoon, with the undersigned as Chairperson.
2. The Dialogue Meeting was attended by the following delegates:

People's Republic of China

1. Hon. Wang Ying Fan
2. Hon. Chen Zhangliang

Cambodia

1. Hon. Mr. Chitt Kim Yeat
2. Hon. Ho Naun

Indonesia

1. Hon. Murdaya W. Poo
2. Hon. Jaka A. Singgih
3. Hon. Suharso Monoarfa
4. Mr. Edwin Kawilarang

Lao People's Democratic Republic

1. Hon. Dr. Koukeo Akhamountry
2. Hon. Ousavanh Thiengthepvongsa
3. Mr. Pakonexay Sithirajvongsa

Malaysia

1. Hon. Datuk Lim Si Cheng

Philippines

1. Hon. Robert Ace S. Barbers - Chairperson

Singapore

1. Hon. Chan Soo Sen
2. Hon. Dr. Ahmad Magad
3. Hon. Seah Kian Peng

Thailand

1. Hon. Narong Nunthong
2. Hon. Boonton Dockthaisong

Vietnam

1. Hon. Vu Mao
2. Hon. Do Ngoc Quang

Brunei Darussalam

1. Yang Mulia Rakiah binti Haji Lamit
2. Yang Mulia Haji Adanan bin Haji Manggong

3. At the beginning, the undersigned, as Chairperson of the Dialogue Meeting, introduced the Head of the China delegation. Other delegations of the AIPO and Observers were invited to introduce themselves.
4. After introduction, the Chairperson invited all delegates to consider 8 topics, which have been endorsed at the First Plenary Session of the 27th AIPO General Assembly, held on 11 September 2006. .
5. After consideration, the Chairperson invited the Delegation of China to give a comprehensive presentation. Then, the AIPO Members and Observers were invited to give their comments on those topics, and raise any questions to China to respond.
6. The Dialogue was conducted in the spirit of friendship and mutual understanding. The delegates very actively discussed 8 topics, and the highlights of the Meeting are as follows:
 - a. In his opening statement, the Hon. Wang Ying Fan said that he was there in New York during “9-11” and that he personally witnessed the same. He then remarked that the security issues of today require that nations be all linked together, and in the present context, China is looking forward to closer contact and greater cooperation. Emphasizing China’s priority of preserving safe passage in the Malaccas Strait, Mr. Wang also pointed out the importance of addressing of non-traditional security matters, such as disaster relief, preventive diplomacy, anti-narcotics, etc.
 - b. Upholding China’s policy against nuclear proliferation, Mr. Wang stated that China adheres to the U.N. Security Council’s resolution against the firing of missiles, hence, it does not condone what North Korea did recently notwithstanding its friendship with the latter. Insofar as Taiwan is concerned, Mr. Wang also stated that China could never accept an independent Taiwan and would prevent it from happening no matter what the cost. However, to preserve

peace and stability across the Taiwan Straits, China encourages direct contact with Taiwan considering that it also wants peace in order to concentrate on economic development

c. While acknowledging its very respectable GDP, Mr. Wang admitted that China has its limitations, particularly failures in its anti-pollution efforts and its poor ratio of energy saved vis-à-vis energy produced, hence, doubts about the sustainability of its development. Nevertheless, constantly aware of its high growth, Mr. Wang sought to dispel the perception that China is an emerging threat to the nations of the region.

d. Expressing the gratitude of Cambodia to China for the latter's importation of certain goods from Cambodia tax free, China stated its intentions of further improving the preferential tax treatments given to Thai and other Cambodian goods.

e. Stating that it was hoping on the success of the Doha Round, China informed its dialogue partners of possible trade opportunities, noting that it substantially imports soya beans (which it considers cheaper when imported than raised), rubber, cassava (for ethanol, etc.), and other products.



HON. ROBERT ACE S. BARBERS
Chairman



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ON
THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE
AIPO AND EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Mr. President,

It is my great honor to submit the following Report on the Dialogue of AIPO with the Delegation of the European Parliament:

- A. The dialogue was held in the afternoon of 12 September 2006 from 2:45 to 4:00 hrs. The Meeting was chaired by Hon. Ramon H. Durano VI.
- B. The Dialogue Meeting was attended by the following delegates:

European Parliament

- 1. Hon. Hartmut Nassauer
- 2. Hon. Frithjof Schmidt
- 3. Mrs. Teresa Riera
- 4. Roger de Becker
- 5. Mr. Jean-Louis Berton

Cambodia

- 1. Hon. Mr. Un Ning
- 2. Hon. Mr. Hou Sry
- 3. Miss Yan Phoumika

Indonesia

- 1. Hon. Sidharto Danusubroto
- 2. Hon. Jeffrey Johanes Massie

Lao People's Democratic Republic

- 1. Hon. Mr. Kamsing Sayakone
- 2. Hon. Associate Prof. Dr. Som-ock Kingsada

Malaysia

- 1. Hon. Mr. Ng Lip Yong

Philippines

1. Hon. Ramon “Red” H. Durano VI

Singapore

1. Hon. Dr. Fatimah Lateef
2. Hon. Mr. Lim Biow Chuan

Thailand

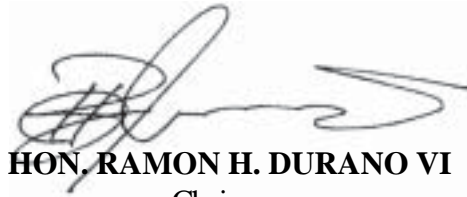
1. Hon. Tuenjai Deetes

Vietnam

1. Hon. Vu Xuan Hong
2. Hon. Ma. Dien Cu

- C. The Chairman of the Dialogue, Hon. Durano, directed the attention of the delegations to the topics for discussion enumerated in the Order of Business as follows:
1. Regional Security Matters
 2. Economic and Trade Cooperation
 3. Investment Opportunities
 4. Environmental Issues
 5. Information and Technology Cooperation
 6. Strategies to Create Break Through in the World Trade Organization (WTO) “Doha Round”
 7. Exchange of Parliamentary Visits as Means of Strengthening Inter-Parliamentary Diplomacy
 8. Cooperation in Fighting Pandemic/Infectious Diseases like Avian Flu, HIV/AIDS, etc.
- D. The Chairman invited the Delegation of the European Parliament to give a briefing on the above-mentioned topics or any other topic it may wish to discuss with the delegations from the AIPO member-countries. The European Parliament delegation mentioned three other topics, namely: enlargement of the European Union, the European Constitution and human rights particularly cooperation against illegal trafficking of women and children. The AIPO delegations, in turn, addressed their queries and comments on these topics to the European Parliament panel.
- E. The Dialogue was held in the spirit of ASEAN solidarity, cordiality and mutual understanding. The Dialogue’s highlights focused on the experience of the European Union in the assimilation of less economically developed member states, its Erasmus Mundus educational exchange program for students, the exchange of parliamentary visits with the new members of the EU, environmental concerns such as emission standards and alternatives to oil such as bio-diesel and protection of the rights of women, children and the elderly. The European Parliament delegation also discussed several concerns applicable to particular AIPO member countries such as the implementation of the eight key laws for Cambodia and the dumping complaint against Vietnam.

The meeting ended with a note of optimism about the continuing harmonious relations between the AIPO and the European Parliament.



HON. RAMON H. DURANO VI
Chairman



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ON
THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE AIPO AND JAPAN

Mr. President,

It is my great honor to submit the following Report on the Dialogue of AIPO with the Delegation of Japan:

- A. The Dialogue was held at 4:30 in the afternoon and ended at 6:00 p.m. on September 12, 2006 at Tokyo A Room, Marco Polo Plaza Hotel in Cebu City, Philippines. The session was presided by Hon. Robert Ace S. Barbers as Chairman.
- B. The Dialogue was attended by the following delegates:

Japan

1. Hon. Mr. Akio Koizumi
2. Hon. Mr. Satoru Ienishi

Cambodia

1. Hon. Mr. Ly Thuch
2. Hon. Mr. Heang Thul

Indonesia

1. Hon. Mr. Jaka Aryadipa Singgih
2. Hon. Murdaya W. Poo

Lao PDR

1. Hon. Mr. Khamsing Sayakone
2. Hon. Mrs. Singkham Khongsavanh
3. Mr. Manyso Samontry (Assistant)

Malaysia

1. Hon. Markiman Kobiran

Philippines

1. Hon. Oscar G. Malapitan
2. Hon. Loretta Ann P. Rosales

Singapore

1. Hon. Dr. Ong She Hong
2. Hon. Ms. Ellen Lee
3. Hon. Mr. Masagos Zulkifli

Thailand

1. Hon. Narong Nunthong
2. Hon. Wiboon Shamsheun
3. Hon. Prakit Vathesatogkit (Advisor)

Vietnam

1. Hon. Mr. Vu Mao
2. Hon. Mr. Ma. Dien Cu

C. The Chairman of the Dialogue, Hon. Robert Ace S. Barbers, directed the attention of the delegations to the topics for discussion enumerated in the Order of Business as follows:

1. Regional Security Matters
2. Economic and Trade Cooperation
3. Investment Opportunities
4. Environmental Issues
5. Information and Technology Cooperation
6. Strategies to Create Breakthroughs in the World Trade Organization (WTO) “Doha Round”
7. Exchange of Parliamentary Visits as Means of Strengthening Inter-Parliamentary Diplomacy
8. Cooperation in Fighting Pandemic/Infectious Diseases like Avian Flu, HIV/AIDS, etc.

D. The Chairman invited the Delegation of Japan to give a briefing on the above-mentioned topics or any topic it may wish to discuss with the delegations from the AIPO member-countries. The delegation of Japan discussed the topics on Regional Security which focused on three (3) key issues: the Korean Peninsula issue, the Strait of Malacca issue, and Terrorism. The topics on Economic and Trade Cooperation, Environmental Issues, Information Technology, Exchange of Parliamentary Visits, and on HIV/AIDS were also briefly discussed. The AIPO delegations, in turn addressed their queries and comments on these topics to the Japanese delegation panel.

E. The Dialogue was held in the spirit of ASEAN solidarity, cordiality and mutual understanding. The Dialogue’s highlights focused on Japan’s progressive and successful implementation of Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) with the Philippines and other AIPO member countries. The Japanese delegation also emphasized that Japan will continue to maintain closer cooperation with AIPO member countries as well as ASEAN countries in promoting information technology, human resource development and e-commerce.

The meeting ended with a note of optimism about the continuing harmonious relations between the AIPO and Japan.

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HON. ROBERT ACE S. BARBERS
Chairman



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**REPORT
ON
THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE AIPO
AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

Mr. President,

It is my great honor to submit the following Report on the Dialogue of AIPO with the Delegation of the Republic of Korea:

1. The dialogue was held on 12 September 2006 from 4:45 to 6:30 in the afternoon, with the undersigned as Chairman.
2. The Dialogue Meeting was attended by the following delegates:

Republic of Korea

1. Hon. Woo Je Hang
2. Hon. Park Nyung Kwang
3. Hon. Kim Young Sun

Cambodia

1. Hon. So Victor
2. Hon. Ky Lum Ang

Indonesia

1. Hon. Muhidin M. Said
2. Hon. Vera Febyanthy

Lao People's Democratic Republic

1. Hon. Koukeo Akhamountry
2. Hon. Ousavanh Thiengthepvongsa
3. Hon. Pakonexay Sithirajvongsa

Malaysia

1. Hon. Mr. Ng Lip Yong

Philippines

1. Hon. Matias V. Defensor, Jr. - Chairperson

Singapore

1. Hon. Michael Palmer
2. Hon. Ho Geok Choo
3. Hon. Lim Biow Chuan

Thailand

1. Hon. Wiboon Shamsheun

Vietnam

1. Hon. Bui Ngoc Thanh
2. Hon. Duong Thu Huong

Brunei Darussalam

1. P.D.N. Pg. Abdul Momin

3. At the beginning, the undersigned as Chairperson of the Dialogue Meeting, invited the Head of the ROK's delegation to introduce his delegates. Other delegations of the AIPO and Observers were also invited to introduce themselves.
4. After introduction, the Chairperson invited all delegates to consider 8 topics, which have been endorsed at the First Plenary Session of the 27th AIPO General Assembly, held on 11 September 2006.
5. After consideration, the Chairperson invited the Delegation of the ROK to give a comprehensive presentation. Then, the AIPO Members and Observers were invited to give their comments on those topics, and raise any questions to the ROK to respond.
6. The Dialogue was conducted in the spirit of friendship and mutual understanding. The delegates very actively discussed 8 topics, and the highlights of the Meeting are as follows:
 - a. On "Regional and Security Matters", the ROK emphasized the importance of the Six-Party talks on the Korean Peninsula issue, recognizing the vital role of the ASEAN's help and understanding in the resolution of the same;
 - b. On the agenda items "Economic and Trade Cooperation" and "Investment Opportunities", the ROK informed its dialogue partners that the ASEAN is already its fifth trading partner. It also conveyed its hope of forging FTA agreements with ASEAN member countries. On the issue of foreign workers in the ROK, while Laos expressed its appreciation for the kind treatment by the ROK of its nationals, the ROK emphasized the nature of such a humane treatment as an official policy by noting that out 15,000 Mongolian workers on its soil, only 1,000 of such are legal workers. Finally, in the matter of foreign visits, the ROK pointed out that Koreans visiting ASEAN countries number more than three times the number of ASEAN nationals visiting the ROK;

c. On “Environmental Issues”, the ROK expressed alarm over climate change and the so-called yellow smoke or gas coming from China, while enumerating its various environmental initiatives such as its support for the planting of trees in the Mongolian mountains, CNG cars, etc. Malaysia reacted to the ROK’s concern over the Chinese yellow smoke by informing the body that Malaysia and China have been cooperating in eradicating the problem;

d. On “Information and Technology Cooperation”, Thailand expressed interest in the ROK’s e-learning program while Vietnam manifested the similar sentiment with respect to the ROK’s “electronic parliament”. In turn, the ROK indicated its intentions of sending businesses with high IT capacity to the ASEAN countries;

e. The ROK stated its opinion that notwithstanding the collapse of the “Doha Round” of the WTO, it still believes that the WTO could serve as the basic framework for international trade.

The meeting ended with a note of optimism about the continuing harmonious relations between the AIPO and the Republic of Korea.



HON. MATIAS V. DEFENSOR, JR
Chairman



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REPORT
ON
THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE AIPO AND NEW ZEALAND

Mr. President,

I have the honor to submit the following Report on the AIPO-New Zealand Dialogue.

1. The dialogue was held in the Beijing Room of Marco Polo Hotel on 12 September 2006 from 4:35 pm to 6:50 pm.
2. The Dialogue was attended by Delegation of the AIPO Member Countries, Special Observers and New Zealand as follows:

New Zealand

1. Hon. Dr. Richard Worth

Cambodia

1. Hon. Mr. Chet Kim Yeat
2. Mr. Prom Virak

Indonesia

1. Hon. Marzuki Darusman, MP
2. Hon. H.M. Subki Risya, MP
3. Hon. Trisanti Mitayani, MP

Lao People's Democratic Republic

1. Hon. Dr. Som-ock Kingsada
2. Hon. Davone Vangvichit

Malaysia

1. Hon. Dato' Seri DiRaja Syed Razlan Syed Putra Jamalullail

Philippines

1. Hon. Edurado C. Zialcita

Singapore

1. Ms. Lee Bee Wah
2. Mr. Seah Kian Peng

Thailand

1. Hon. Wittaya Masayna
2. Hon. Tarnthong Thongswasdi (Advisor)

Vietnam

1. Hon. Mai Anh
2. Hon. Chau Thi Le

Brunei Darussalam

1. Hon. Dr. Dato Paduka H.J. Yunus Noh

3. The Chairman of the Dialogue, Hon. Eduardo C. Zialcita, requested the Delegations from AIPO member countries and special observers to introduce themselves starting from Cambodia. Subsequently, the representative from New Zealand introduced himself and expressed gratitude to the members for attending the dialogue.
4. The Dialogue was held in the spirit of friendship and mutual understanding. All member countries and special observers expressed their gratitude to the New Zealand government for the continuing assistance the country has extended to AIPO member countries and special observers.
5. During the dialogue, all delegates actively participated on the discussion. The following are the highlights of the dialogue on the following topic:

a) Regional and Security Matters

Malaysia and Indonesia expressed their interest for membership in South Pacific Forum with the support of New Zealand. New Zealand vowed to cooperate in providing regional security in the area observing that it is the time to extract values at South Pacific Forum. Singapore expressed its gratitude to New Zealand for the training facilities it provided to Singapore and inquired whether national security concern has affected New Zealand's immigration policies. New Zealand responded that it maintained an open policy on migration. For its part, Cambodia requested New Zealand for leniency in its guidelines in issuing visa. New Zealand took note of the request. Malaysia brought the issue of travel advisories issued by New Zealand that greatly affect Malaysia's tourism industry. New Zealand commented that there is no reason to stay the travel advisory should one still exist.

b) Economic and Trade Cooperation

Lao People's Democratic Republic queried on the procedure in securing assistance from New Zealand. New Zealand promised to deliver the message although it suggested that Lao needs and aggressive ambassador to New Zealand who will make strong representation to New Zealand parliament. Thailand was grateful to New Zealand for supporting the Mekong Institute (MI) contributing to human resources development and integration in the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) and expressed hope that New Zealand can provide training in agriculture.

Thailand requested for the re-establishment of Joint Thailand-New Zealand Business Council, increase the number of Thai students in the working holiday scheme of New Zealand and the air transport agreement between New Zealand Air and Thai Air. New Zealand took note of the requests of Thailand delegation. Vietnam and Cambodia both requested for assistance in its human resources development with high quality skills, training in animal husbandry, salmon farming technology, dairy farming and cheese production. Cambodia further requested New Zealand to allot more slots for scholarships to students under Colombo plan. Thailand also requested for training in animal husbandry.

c) **Environmental issues**

New Zealand informed the body that it is the only significant country south of the equator to have signed the Kyoto Protocol noting that environmental factor would impact on its agricultural economy.

d) **Strategies to Create Breakthrough in the World Trade Organization (WTO) “DOHA Round”**

Cambodia expressed apprehension on its inability to export its agricultural products because of the enormous farm subsidies of developed countries. New Zealand replied that it has already abolished agricultural subsidies unlike E.U. whose massive subsidies create great distortion. New Zealand suggested that Cambodia enter into bilateral talks with developed countries like that one entered between the Philippines and Japan FTA

e) **Exchange of Parliamentary Visits as Means of Strengthening Inter-Parliamentary Diplomacy**

All delegates expressed their interest in exchange of parliamentary visits.

f) **Cooperation in Fighting Pandemic/Infectious Disease like Avian flu, HIV/AIDS**

New Zealand observed that it shares the same concern with delegates in fighting pandemic/infectious disease. New Zealand added that pandemic/infectious diseases added new dimension in New Zealand involving property rights issue, compensation and public rights issue.

New Zealand congratulated the Chairman for ably steering the dialogue and reiterated its commitment for stronger ties between New Zealand and the Southeast Asian countries.



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Chairman



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REPORT ON
THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE AIPO
AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Mr. President,

It is my great honor to submit the following Report on the Dialogue of AIPO with the Delegation of Papua New Guinea.

1. The dialogue was held on the 12th of September 2006 from 4:25 p.m. to 6:10 p.m.. The Meeting was chaired by Hon. Catalino V. Figueroa.
2. The Dialogue Meeting was attended by the following delegates:

Papua New Guinea

1. Hon. Bob Dadae
2. Mr. Lalai Vali

Cambodia

1. Hon. Chea Kim
2. Her Highness Princess Sisowath Santa
3. Mr. Kim Sochetra

Indonesia

1. Hon. Untung Wahono
2. Mr. Bindu Marbun

Lao People's Democratic Republic

1. Hon. Mrs. Bang On Sayarath

Malaysia

1. Hon. Mr. Chiw Tiang Chai
2. Hon. Dato' Hajah Samsiah Samsudin

Philippines

1. Hon. Catalino V. Figueroa - Chairperson

Singapore

1. Hon. Dr. Fatimah Lateef
2. Hon. Chan Soo Chen

Thailand

1. Hon. Pensak Chagsuchinda
3. The Chairperson of the Dialogue Meeting, HON. CATALINO FIGUEROA, firstly invited the Delegation of Papua New Guinea to introduce their delegates. The AIPO member and special observer delegations were also invited to introduce themselves.
4. After introduction, the Chairperson invited all delegates to consider and discuss the five topics that were approved at the first Plenary Session in a free flow manner with the spirit of friendship and mutual understanding. The following five topics were discussed:

a. Regional and International Political Matters

Papua New Guinea emphasized the need to cooperate with each other in combating serious threats in relation to terrorism and the need to share intelligence and information and establish an anti-terrorism mechanism in the region and other parts of the world.

While Papua New Guinea is greatly encouraged by the future economic prosperity of the ASEAN region, it is equally concerned with the unresolved global issues that continue to threaten its security. There can be no doubt that without sustainable peace and security there cannot be any economic prosperity. So it is important that all AIPO and non-AIPO members fully consider all conceivable measures that lend themselves towards the protection of all countries. The lack of resources coupled with acute shortage of skilled manpower makes Papua New Guinea, one of the Pacific Island countries surrounded by vast expanse of unprotected water, more exposed to vulnerable transnational crimes (terrorism, drugs trafficking, human smuggling, money laundering). This is the reason that Papua New Guinea, along with the members of the Melanesian Spearheads Group (MSG) - Fiji, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu, are actively pursuing the proposition to establish the “Melanesian Security Intelligence Concept” (MELSIC) through which any information gathered can be disseminated to National Intelligence Organizations of the respective members of MSG.

b. Economic and Trade Cooperation

Hon. Bob Dadae reported that Papua New Guinea proudly continues to forge and expand its bilateral trade and investment relations with individual AIPO member countries. Papua New Guinea is equally keen to enter into economic and development partnership arrangements with the future ASEAN Economic Union. Like AIPO member countries, Papua New Guinea is excited about the prospects offered by ASEAN Economic Union (AEU) as it is believed that benefits under the overall framework of AEU would be unprecedented.

c. Investment Opportunities

Economic and trade cooperation growth promises increase in investment opportunities.

d. Environmental Issues

Hon. Bob Dadae explained that in the Papua New Guinea government there is a department resolving environmental issues such as illegal logging causing deforestation. There are laws and policies regarding this issue but illegal logging remains a problem of the Papua New Guinea government.

e. Exchange of Parliamentary Visits

Believing in the benefits of parliamentary visits for both the host and the visiting parliament, Papua New Guinea encourages more exchanges with other countries.

The meeting ended with a note of optimism about the continuing harmonious relations between the AIPO and Papua New Guinea.



HON. CATALINO V. FIGUEROA
Chairman



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REPORT
ON THE
DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE AIPO
AND THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Mr. President,

It is my great honor to submit the following Report of the AIPO Dialogue with the Delegation of the Russian Federation:

1. The dialogue was held on September 12, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. and ended at 5:30 p.m. at Hongkong Room, Marco Polo Plaza Hotel in Cebu City, Philippines. The session was presided by Hon. Herminio G. Teves as Chairman.
2. The meeting was attended by:

Russian Federation

1. Hon. Boris Plokhotnyuk
2. Hon. Kamilya Davletova
3. Ms. Irina Kuzmina
4. Mr. Alexander Tribunskiy

Cambodia

1. Hon. Keo Remy
2. Hon. Im Run
3. Ms. Yan Phoumika

Indonesia

1. Hon. Jeffrey Johanes Massie, MP

Lao PDR

1. Hon. Prof. Dr. Ms. Bounnong Boupha
2. Hon. Chantoum Latmany
3. Mrs. Suanesavanh Muangmany

Malaysia

1. Hon. Datuk Lim Si Cheng

Singapore

1. Hon. Charles Chong
2. Hon. Hri Kumar
3. Hon. Dr. Ahmad Magad

Thailand

1. Hon. Tuenjai Deetes

Vietnam

1. Hon. Bui Ngoc Thanh
2. Hon. Nguyen Thi Bach Mai
3. Hon. Dang Nhu Loi

Brunei Darussalam

1. Hon. P.D.H. Judin Bin H. Asar
2. The Chairman of the Dialogue, Hon. Herminio G. Teves, introduced the Delegation of the Russian Federation followed by the introduction of the delegates of AIPO member countries. Hon. Teves extended his warmest welcome to all the participants to the Dialogue with the Observer from the Russian Federation. He thanked all the delegates for attending and hoped that it will foster a better understanding and knowledge between the Russian Federation and AIPO member countries. He also hoped that the discussion would proceed in a cordial manner.
3. After the introduction, the Chairman invited all the delegates to consider the following Topics for Dialogue enumerated in the Order of Business as follows:
 - a) **Regional Security Matters**
 - b) **Economic and Trade Cooperation**
 - c) **Investment Opportunities**
 - d) **Environmental Issues**
 - e) **Information and Technology Cooperation**
 - f) **Strategies to Create Breakthroughs in the World Trade Organization (WTO) “Doha Round”**
 - g) **Exchange of Parliamentary Visits as Means of Strengthening Inter-Parliamentary Diplomacy**
4. The Chairman invited the Delegation of the Russian Federation to give a statement regarding their position on the above-mentioned topics or any other topic it may wish to discuss with the delegations from the AIPO member countries. The Russian Federation expressed

that the topics are comprehensive enough to cover the most important concerns between the ASEAN and Russian Federation.

5. The Dialogue was held in the spirit of solidarity, friendship and mutual understanding. The delegates were unanimous in commending the Russian Federation for their continued support to the endeavors and vision of the ASEAN. Russia has been an active partner of the ASEAN in addressing issues concerning security and stability, political, economic and development cooperation. The participants emphasized the need for more assistance from the Russian Federation in dealing with problems of common concern such as terrorism, debt relief, and environmental degradation. Moreover, the participants stressed the importance of a more active exchange of trade and foreign direct investments between the Russian Federation and ASEAN countries to boost cooperation, security and prosperity in the region. Exchange of parliamentary visits and student exchange programs were also thoroughly discussed as a means to improve ASEAN relations with Russia. The Chairman inquired from the Russian Delegation its strategies in addressing the trade imbalance between Russia and ASEAN since data shows that ASEAN importation outweighs its exportation to Russia.. The Russian Federation assured the delegates that they shall undertake a study to correct this situation. They further mentioned that this dialogue was envisioned to build bridges in personal and parliamentary levels. Finally, the Russian Federation reiterated its active participation in AIPO's programs in the previous years with the end view of improving the quality of life of the people in the ASEAN region.

6. The Chairman thanked all delegates for their participation. The dialogue was successful in improving understanding between the AIPO and the Russian Federation.



HERMINIO G. TEVES
Chairman