

**Minute**  
**Of**  
**The 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Regional ASPAC-NGO Management Board**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> November 2005**  
**YWCA Fort Canning Lodge, Singapore**  
**14:30 – 15:30**

**Present :**

**ASPAC-NGO Management Board**

Chairperson	:	Mr. Shirly Tissera (FONGOADA, Sri Lanka)
1 <sup>st</sup> vice President	:	Represented by Dato Haji Mustapha Ma (PEMADAM, Malaysia)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	:	Represented by Ms Somnuck Rodprasert (NGO-ANCC/NCSW, Thailand)
Hon. Secretary	:	Mr. Sorasit Sangprasert (ASPAC-NGO,Thailand)
Hon. Treasurer	:	Represented by Pol.Lt.Col. Pichit Pitaklohapit (NGO-ANCC/NCSW, Thailand)
Board Member	:	Dr. Mintarsih A. Latief Spkj (BERSAMA, Indonesia)
<b><u>By Invitation</u></b>	:	Daw Hly kyι (MANA, Myanmar)
	:	Nuno Jorge (OFAP , Macau)
	:	Mrs Sukumal Yingseri (NGO-ANCC-NCSW, Thailand)
	:	Ms Lakana Khongmaungpruan (NGO-ANCC-NCSW, Thailand)
	:	Ms Petcharaporn Chormpusri (NGO-ANCC-NCSW, Thailand)
	:	Mrs Renoo Chaiwut (NGO-ANCC-NCSW, Thailand)
	:	Mrs Suwanya Anusasnee (NGO-ANCC-NCSW, Thailand)
	:	Ms Sirinan Nakham (NGO-ANCC-NCSW, Thailand)
	:	Ms Wasana Phonhan (NGO-ANCC-NCSW, Thailand)

### Apologies

- : K.C.Lam (HK-CSS, Hong Kong)
- : Mrs Evodia A Iswandi (BERSAMA, Indonesia)

### Secretariat

- : Dr. Apasiri Swannanon (NGO-ANCC/NCSW, Thailand)
- : Miss Athika Tuleewan (ASPAC-NGO, Thailand)

### **1. Election of Chairperson**

Mr. Sorasit Sangprasert, Hon. Secretary of ASPAC-NGO Management Board informed the Meeting that Tan Sri Pol.Gen. Chavalit Yodmani, President of ASPAC-NGO was unable to chair this Meeting and conveyed his apologies to the Board Members. Hon. Secretary of ASPAC-NGO proposed Mr. Shirley Tissera of FONGOADA, Sri Lanka concurrently President of IFNGO to chair the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ASPAC-NGO Management Board. The Meeting unanimously elected Mr. Shirley Tissera to chair the Meeting.

### **2. Chair Person's Remarks**

The Chairperson Mr. Shirley Tissera welcomed and informed the Meeting of unavailability of Tan Sri Pol.Gen. Chavalit Yodmani to chair the Meeting. He, then called the Meeting to order and thanked all members for taking part in the Meeting. The appreciation also went to Singapore Anti-Narcotics Association (SANA) for kind facilitating and arranging the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Regional ASPAC-NGO Management Board to be convened in conjunction with The IFNGO ASEAN NGOs Workshop although its agenda was not placed in the detailed programmes.

### **3. Adoption of Provisional Agenda**

The Chair person asked all member to consider and adopt the proposed agenda. The agenda was adopted unanimously. Proposed by Dato Haji Mustapha Ma of PEMADAM, Malaysia and seconded by Pol.Lt.Col. Pichit Pitaklohapit of NGO-ANCC/NCSW, Thailand.

#### **4. Adoption of the Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Regional ASPAC-NGO**

##### **Management Board.**

Hon. Secretary of ASPAC-NGO, Mr. Sorasit Sangprasert reported that the Minutes were circulated in advance by e-mail to all members and was taken as read . Mrs Evodia Iswandi sent e-mail to amend on 5.1 it was written “I”, then change to “if”. Then the Meeting unanimously approved the minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Regional ASPAC-NGO Management Board which was purposed by Dato Haji Mustapha Ma (PEMADAM, Malaysia) and seconded by Ms. Somnuck Rodprasert (NGO-ANCC/NCSW, Thailand).

#### **5. Report from ASPAC-NGO Secretariat**

Hon. Secretary of ASPAC-NGO, Mr.Sorasit Sangprasert reported the following issues to the Meeting and requested all members to make some comments and suggestions.

##### **5.1 Progress of ASPAC-NGO Website Development**

It was reported that the secretariat of ASPAC-NGO is still moving on dissemination of information on drug abuse prevention schemes and its related matters via website “www.aspacngo.org”. ASPAC-NGO has also provided e-mail address lists and its linkage by categorizing in different groups as fallow :-

Group A	:	ASEAN-NGOs
Group B1	:	Non-ASEAN NGOs
Group B2	:	SARCC
Group C1	:	Individuals
Group C2	:	International Organizations
Group D	:	Other regions

##### **5.2 Report of Drug Situation and Other Drug Rotated Issues**

United Nations – UNODC, INCB , ACCORD Plan of Action, International Non-Government Organizations like Drug Advisory Program (DAP), IFNGO, ICPO/Interpol and other local NGOs as well as medias (Newspapers) of various countries have been utilized as sources of information.

ASPAC-NGO also calibrates with few local and international drug law enforcement agencies like ICPO/Interpol, ONCB of Thailand, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) of the United States and picked up some relevant for reporting. All information including technical paper on drug matters has been launched and posted in the website on weekly basis. Drug Information focuses mainly in Asia and the Pacific region.

### **5.3 Dissemination of Updated News**

To supply information of global and regional drug activity movement to Governments, International Non-Government Organizations and Non-Government Organizations is one of the core tasks of ASPAC-NGO. ASPAC-NGO has been providing through our website the current news on drug, relevant researches, various categories on narcotic drugs, conferences, seminars, training and workshops etc. Promotion of activities from member organizations and affiliates are also launched on the website. Visitors to our website will find variety of drug information. Additionally, our webpage has also been improved to attract visitors.

### **5.4 Expansion of Web Linkage**

Previously, ASPAC-NGO made 165 Web Links to drug related agencies worldwide. Currently ASPAC-NGO has expanded from 165 to 185 Web Links to make visitors more opportunities to access drug information. The linkage has been grouped as follow :-

- Group 1 : 11 Inter-Government Organizations
- Group 2 : 31 Non-Government Organizations
- Group 3 : 18 National Focal Points on Drug
- Group 4 : 11 Drug Abuse Prevention & Education
- Group 5 : 77 Press & Media
- Group 6 : 14 United Nations Bodies
- Group 7 : UN on Drug and Crime Groups
- Group 8 : 16 Other Website Related to Drug Matters.

In addition, ASPAC-NGO has regularly been sharing drug information with the other region by receiving regular mail from San Diego State University and World Health Organization (WHO), Drug Prevention Network of America (DPNA).

### **5.5 Implementation of Action Plan 2005**

The implementation of Action Plan 2005 had been carried out mainly on coordination and reporting function. Meanwhile Training Seminar and Newsletters cannot be carried out because of the budget was cut.

### **5.6 Report of Financial Status**

The Chairperson asked Hon. Secretary Mr.Sorasit Sangprasert to report on behalf of Hon. Treasures , Justice Amnuay. It was reported that the remaining balance carried over from 2004 is 485, 465 25 Baht or USD 12,136.63 and the expenses for 2005 at 31 October 2005 is 577,866.28 Baht or USD 14,446.66 .

#### **Summary of Incomes & Expenses**

1. <u>Remaining Balance of 2004</u>	฿ 458,465.25 - USD 12,136.63
Income : Interest	฿ 3,199.96 - USD 80.00
Donation	฿ 300,000.00 - USD 7,500
Total Amount at Hand	฿ <b>788,665.21 - USD 19,716.63</b>
2. <u>Expenses of 2004</u>	
Staff's Remuneration and Office Supply (1 Nov 2004 – 31 Oct 2005)	฿ 577,866.28 – USD 14,446.66
Total Expenses	฿ 577,866.28 – USD 14,446.66
3. <u>Remaing Balance (1-2) =</u>	฿ <b>210,798.93 – USD 5,269.97</b>

Hon. Secretary informed the Meeting that Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement(INL), US Department of State has contributed USD 25,000 through Thailand International Development Cooperation Agency (TIGA), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, earmarked for ASPAC-NGO. In addition, Narcotics Affairs Section of US Embassy in Bangkok is considering to provide USD 100,000 for ASPAC-NGO in 2006 as requested.

### **Resolution and Comments**

The Meeting acknowledged and appreciated the comprehensive reports made by Hon. Secretary of ASPAC-NGO.

## **6. Matter for Consideration**

### **6.1 Action Plans of ASPAC-NGO for 2006**

#### **Hon. Secretary reported that the core activities to be implemented are as follow :**

- Knowledge Development Project on Drug Abuse Prevention via Information Technology. Approx. 4-5 of drug related issues will be posted, on weekly basis, on the website and at least one technical paper on drug will also be posted.
- ASPAC-NGO's Newsletters : All information as well as drug knowledge and drug situation in Asia and the Pacific region will be delivered to member organizations, colleagues and affiliates.
- Conference/Meeting / Seminar : As focal point of NGOs in Asia and the Pacific, the following meetings/conferences/Seminar workshops are a must for ASPAC-NGO to participate :-
  - ASPAC-NGO Management Board Meeting
  - National Advisory Council Meeting
  - 16<sup>th</sup> IFNGO ASEAN NGOs Workshop in Thailand
  - 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ASOD in Thailand
  - 23<sup>rd</sup> World Federation of Therapeutic Community Conference (WFTC), New York City, USA
  - Other meetings if invited

## **6.2 Cooperation of Members and Affiliates**

Hon. Secretary expressed his appreciation to some members, MANA, BERSAMA PEMADAM and ADCA in responding the tasks carried out by ASPAC-NGO Secretariat. However, Mr. Sorasit, Hon. Secretary wishes to receive more feed back and comments as well as sharing information with colleagues and affiliates on drug abuse prevention schemes.

## **7. Other Matters**

- 7.1 The 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ASPAC-NGO Management Board. Traditionally, IFNGO ASEAN NGOs Workshop kindly includes the Board Meeting in conjunction with IFNGO Management Board Meeting and IFNGO Council of Advisors Meeting. The three Meetings will be held one day before the official programs starts. At the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ASPAC-NGO Management Board, SANA did not place in the program with no reason. Hon. Secretary has requested IFNGO to include The 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ASPAC-NGO Management Board into the program of the 16<sup>th</sup> IFNGO ASEAN NGOs Workshop in Bangkok. The Meeting agreed as proposed.
- 7.2 Mr. Sherley Tissera, Chairperson of the Meeting expressed his heartfelt thank and appreciation to all attendants who actively participated and contributed comments and suggestions to ASPAC-NGO for further implementation. Special thank went SANA for arranging venue for the Meeting. Mr. Sherley Tissera, the Chairperson declared the Meeting closed at 15:30 hours.

**Recorded by:**

**Mr. Sorasit Sangprasert**

**Hon. Secretary of ASPAC-NGO**

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