



## **CONCLUDING STATEMENT**

### **Special Meeting on the SEANF Strategic Plan 2017-2022 and Technical Working Group Meeting (2/2016) of the South East Asia National Human Rights Institutions Forum (SEANF) MNHRC, Yangon, Myanmar 1-3 June 2016**

The South East Asia National Human Rights Institutions Forum (SEANF) held Special Meeting on the SEANF Strategic Plan 2017-2022 and Technical Working Group Meeting (2/2016), which were hosted by the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission (MNHRC) as the Chair of SEANF in Yangon, Myanmar on 1-3 June 2016. The Members of the SEANF – the National Human Rights Commission of Indonesia (Komnas HAM), the Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM), the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission (MNHRC), the Commission on Human Rights of the Philippines (CHRP), the National Human Rights Commission of Thailand (NHRCT) and the Provedoria for Human Rights and Justice of Timor Leste (PDHJ) attended the meeting.

The main outcomes of the Meetings were as follows:

#### **Special Meeting on SEANF Strategic Plan 2017-2022**

1.0 SEANF Members welcomed the presentation of Komnas HAM on the draft of the Strategic Plan 2017-2022. The draft was discussed from point D to M. SEANF Members agreed to send their feedback on point A to C regarding country situation about 3 or 4 paragraphs. The feedback should be delivered to Komnas HAM by 3 July 2016. Komnas HAM will reformulate the feedback in 2 (two) weeks and undertake circulation of the revised Strategic Plan 2017-2022 to SEANF Members. The revised draft will be discussed further at Special Meeting to be held on 23-24 August 2016 in Jakarta in order to produce a final-draft of SEANF Strategic Plan 2017-2022 for adoption at the 2016 SEANF Annual Meeting in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar.

#### **SEANF TWG Meeting (2/2016)**

##### **2.0 Adoption of the Agenda**

2.1 The Agenda for the TWG Meeting 2/2016 was adopted without amendment.

##### **3.0 SEANF Permanent Secretariat**

3.1 SEANF Members welcomed the presentation of Komnas HAM on the progress of SEANF Permanent Secretariat development and tasked Komnas HAM to prepare a detailed document of the Roadmap for SEANF Permanent Secretariat which will be discussed at the Special Meeting in Jakarta.

##### **4.0 Developments in GANHRI**

- 4.1 SEANF members shared their experiences with regards to accreditation with GANHRI and agreed that SEANF should try its best to be represented in the Sub-Committee on Accreditation of GANHRI.
- 5.0 Updates on SEANF's role in implementing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**
- 5.1 SEANF Members gave updates on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- 5.2 CHRP agreed in principle to hold a Sub-regional Training Program on Monitoring the SDGs and Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (online component around November-December 2016 and in-depth week long workshop on mid-late January 2017) to be organized by APF.
- 6.0 Updates on the Rights of Older Persons**
- 6.1 SEANF Members gave updates on the Rights of Older Persons.
- 6.2 SEANF reiterated to agree to issue a statement on the Rights of Older Persons at the end of the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of SEANF.
- 7.0 Sharing of SEANF's activities after the 1<sup>st</sup> TWG Meeting of the SEANF**
- 7.1 SEANF Members shared their activities after the TWG Meeting (1/2016) of the SEANF.
- 8.0 Updates on the ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children**
- 8.1 SEANF Members welcomed and appreciated the presentation made by a representative from the Myanmar Police Force.
- 8.2 SEANF Members gave updates on the ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children.
- 9.0 Updates on SEANF's engagement with AICHR**
- 9.1 SEANF Members gave updates on their engagement with AICHR.
- 10.0 Additional Matters**
- 10.1 SEANF Members discussed on the draft elements to be considered at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of SEANF and agreed to provide further comments if any to the Chairperson of SEANF.
- 10.2 SEANF Members agreed to invite representatives from EU Permanent Mission to ASEAN and UNDP Regional Office in Bangkok to the session on SEANF Permanent Secretariat at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of SEANF.
- 10.3 SEANF Members supported the plan by MNHRC to hold a Seminar relating to NHRIs' relations with Legislature, Executive and Judiciary on the morning of 27 September 2016 and agreed to invite the representatives from South East Asian Embassies in Myanmar and FORUM-ASIA to the Seminar.

SEANF Members highly commended the excellent facilitation of the TWG meeting by the Chairperson of SEANF, as well as the hospitality extended to all the participants by MNHRC.

*Yangon, 3 June 2016*

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