



PLAN OF ACTION

4 December 2007

At the conclusion of the *Colloquium on Good Governance, Rule of Law and Human Rights – The Way Forward For ASEAN*, held on 3rd and 4th December 2007 in Parliament House of Malaysia, the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Caucus for Good Governance, in collaboration with the Working Group for an ASEAN Human Rights Mechanism and other non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions where they exist, will endeavour to achieve the following plans:

1. National Parliamentary Caucuses

AIPCGG will strive to form a National Parliamentary Caucus on Good Governance in each Parliament or its equivalent in each ASEAN country in 2008.

Each National Caucus will elect a chairperson and a deputy chairperson. The chairperson will be a member of the AIPCGG Steering Committee. The deputy chairperson will be the alternate member.

2. ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Conference

As and when a National Parliamentary Caucus is formed, a Colloquium or Conference is to be held, making at least three conferences as far as possible on good governance in ASEAN in 2008.

These Colloquia or Conferences will be held with the participation of members of national human rights institutions, civil society and other relevant organizations.

3. Ratify ASEAN Charter as early as possible

The AIPCGG shall advocate the ratification of the ASEAN Charter as early as possible.

4. National Human Rights Institutions

AIPCGG shall advocate for the formation of National Human Rights Institutions in line with the standards of the UN Principles.

5. ASEAN Human Rights Body

The AIPCGG shall advocate for the adoption of the Terms of Reference that will establish an effective and independent ASEAN Human Rights Body.

The establishment of National Human Rights Institutions shall not be a pre-requisite for the establishment of the ASEAN Human Rights Body.



6. Areas of Concern

The AIPCGG will work on the following areas of concern:

- corruption
- rule of law
- human rights
- democracy
- transparency
- freedom of information
- gender equality