Results of the Sixth Committee Meeting of the UNGA
(November 15, 2013)

The Chairman of the Sixth Committee of the 68th session of the UNGA, Ambassador Palitha T.B. Kohona, Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka to the United Nations, informed the committee that Sri Lanka and Vietnam had joined as co-sponsors of the draft resolution in addition to Cambodia, Japan, Republic of Korea and the Philippines.

The Chairman then reported the following decision taken by the co-sponsors of the draft resolution (A/C.6/68/L.3) as follows:
- “The co-sponsors of the draft resolution decided not to pursue the request for GA Observer status for ICAPP at this session."

Since there was no statement made to this announcement, the Chairman concluded deliberations on the item by saying that the decision taken by the co-sponsors could be considered as “no action” in formality.

Prior to the meeting, the representatives of co-sponsors, Cambodia, Republic of Korea and Sri Lanka, had conducted consultations with the representative of Venezuela on November 11. At the consultations, the representative of Venezuela made the following statement:
(1) The mission of Venezuela has received very clear instructions from Capital to oppose a Deferment of deliberation of the item on the ICAPP, since there is no change of status in the ICAPP that will qualify under GA rules.
(2) Venezuela is against ICAPP’s lobbying the Capitals bypassing the Missions in N.Y.
(3) Venezuela does not consider the signing of the MOS as sufficient grounds that ICAPP is an intergovernmental organization.
(3) Venezuela supports the withdrawal of the resolution and presenting it as a new item after amending the statute(status) of the ICAPP. Or present the resolution to ECOSOC.

Under the circumstances, the representatives of the co-sponsors agreed on November 13 to submit the following statement to the Chairman of the Sixth Committee and briefed the representative of Venezuela in advance:
- "the co-sponsors of the draft resolution(A/C.6/68/L.3) decided not to pursue the request for GA Observer status for ICAAP at this session, while reserving the right to present it at a future session."