Report on the Secretary General's visit to Colombo, Sri Lanka
(22-23 February 2019)

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Hon. Park Ro-byug, the Secretary General of the ICAPP visited Colombo from 22nd to 23rd of February in preparation of the 3rd Meeting of the Asia-Europe Political Forum (AEPF) and the 32nd Meeting of the ICAPP Standing Committee (SC).

On the 22nd of February (Friday), the Secretary General has the honour to meet with the President, the Prime Minister, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and the members of the ICAPP Standing Committee of Sri Lanka.

1. At the courtesy call by the Secretary General Park Ro-byug, H.E. Maithripala Sirisena, President of Sri Lanka, who was the member of the ICAPP Standing Committee, welcomed the visit of the Secretary General and highly evaluated the significant progress of the ICAPP made during the tenure.

   The President Maithripala Sirisena accepted the Secretary General's request to **host a Dinner on 6th of April**. He intended to invite the participants of the AEPF meeting and expected that high-level figures to be participated in the 3rd Meeting of the AEPF.

2. At the meeting with the Secretary General Park, H.E. Ranil Wickremesinghe, Prime Minister of Sri Lanka, expressed the following views:
   1) The Prime Minister accepted the Secretary General's humble request to host a **Welcoming Dinner on 5th of April** and to deliver **opening remarks** at the Opening Session on 6th of April.
   2) The Prime Minister approved that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka will be in charge of the arrangement of the Meeting and supported the participation of officials of opposition parties.
   3) The topics were confirmed as "How political parties can handle the challenges of social security and employment for the increasing aged population (1) in developing countries and (2) in developed countries".

3. At the meeting with officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka, the followings were agreed:

   1) The host to provide local accommodation up to two representatives for

members of the ICAPP Standing Committee and other officially invited political parties/groups, for three nights (5, 6, 7 of April) during the Meeting.

2) The participants are requested to notify their flight schedule (time and date) and apply for entrance visas before two weeks (by 22nd of March) in order to safely secure the reservation of the hotel rooms and to provide transportation between airport and hotel.
3) The participants would contribute to make constructive discussions.
4) The Memorandum of Understanding on implementation of the hosting of the meetings would be approved at the Cabinet meeting of Sri Lanka.

Attachment: Program of Hon. Park Ro-byug, Secretary General of the ICAPP, for the visit to Colombo, Sri Lanka

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