



**JOINT MINISTERIAL STATEMENT OF THE TWENTY-SECOND
ASEAN SOCIO-CULTURAL COMMUNITY (ASCC) COUNCIL
2 November 2019, Bangkok, Thailand**

1. We, the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC) Council Ministers and Heads of Delegation of Brunei Darussalam, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of Indonesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore, the Kingdom of Thailand and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, gathered together on 2 November 2019 in Bangkok, Thailand, for the 22nd ASCC Council Meeting, under the chairmanship of Thailand.
2. We extend our full support to Thailand's ASEAN Chairmanship. We commend the efforts and remarkable progress in achieving and implementing priorities under Thailand's Chairmanship. We look forward to further implementation and achievements of deliverables including the four ASCC-Related ASEAN Centres, namely, i) Disaster Emergency Logistics System for ASEAN (DELSA) Satellite Warehouse; ii) ASEAN Centre for Active Ageing and Innovation (ACAI); iii) ASEAN Cultural Centre, and iv) ASEAN Training Centre for Social Work and Social Welfare (ATCSW).
3. We endorsed the following outcome documents for consideration of ASEAN Leaders at the 35th ASEAN Summit:

For Adoption:

- a. ASEAN Joint Statement on Climate Change to the 25th Conference of the Parties (COP-25) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC);
- b. Declaration on the Protection of Children from All Forms of Online Exploitation and Abuse in ASEAN;
- c. ASEAN Declaration on the Rights of Children in the Context of Migration;
- d. Bangkok Declaration on Advancing Partnership in Education for 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in ASEAN;
- e. Joint Statement on Reaffirmation of Commitment to Advancing the Rights of the Child in ASEAN;

- f. ASEAN Leaders' Declaration on ASEAN Vaccine Security and Self-Reliance.

For Notation:

- a. Regional Guidelines and Procedures to Address the Needs of Victims of Trafficking in Person, Especially Women and Children;
 - b. ASEAN Statement on Promotion of Good Governance and Acceleration of an Agile Civil Service in a Digital Economy;
 - c. Regional Action Plan for the Implementation of the ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Education for Out-of-School Children and Youth.
4. We commend the successful implementation of the *ASEAN Commemorative Event on CRC@30*, held in conjunction with the thirtieth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC).
 5. We commend initiatives of sectoral bodies that have contributed to achieving the ASCC Blueprint 2025. We look forward to the conduct of the mid-term evaluation of the ASCC Blueprint 2025 which will inform us, among others, the assessment of the effectiveness of activities, their attribution to ASCC Blueprint 2025, and provide recommendations for its implementation in the upcoming years.
 6. We look forward to the convening of the ASCC fact-finding mission to Timor-Leste and the secondment of ASCC officer to the permanent missions to ASEAN.
 7. We convey our appreciation to Thailand for convening the 22nd ASCC Council Meeting back-to-back with the 35th ASEAN Summit.
 8. We further convey our deep appreciation to Thailand for the effective chairmanship and excellent arrangements during its ASCC Chairmanship in 2019 and we look forward to Viet Nam's ASEAN Chairmanship in 2020.

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**LIST OF ASCC COUNCIL MINISTERS/HEADS OF DELEGATION
ATTENDING THE 22ND ASCC COUNCIL MEETING**

2 November 2019, Bangkok, Thailand

- 1. Major General (RTD)**
Dato Paduka Seri Haji Aminuddin Ihsan bin Pehin Orang Kaya Saiful Mulok
Dato Seri Paduka Haji Abidin
Minister
Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports
Brunei Darussalam
- 2. Dr. Hang Chuon Naron**
Minister
Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport
Cambodia
- 3. Dewi Savitri Wahab**
Senior Advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs for Sociocultural Issues and
Indonesian Overseas
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Indonesia
- 4. Savankhone Razmounry**
Deputy Minister
Ministry of Information, Culture and Tourism
Lao PDR
- 5. Mohamaddin bin Ketapi**
The Hon. Minister
Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture
Malaysia
- 6. Thura Aung Ko**
Union Minister
Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture
Myanmar

7. Rolando Joselito D. Bautista

Secretary

Department of Social Welfare and Development

Philippines

8. Sam Tan

Minister of State

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Social and Family Development

Singapore

9. Chuti Krairiksh

Minister

Ministry of Social Development and Human Security

Thailand

10. Dao Ngoc Dung

Minister

Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs

Viet Nam

11. Kung Phoak

Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community

ASEAN Secretariat

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