

# TENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASIA PACIFIC FORUM OF NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS

24-26 AUGUST 2005

Chinggis Khaan Hotel  
Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

PROGRAM

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## Day 1                      Wednesday 24 August 2005

### **Closed Session - Forum Members and OHCHR**

8:15-9:00                      Registration (Forum members and ACJ)  
Third Floor

9:00-12:00                      **Forum Members Meeting – General Business**  
Room: Conference Hall

Chair: Mr Young-hoang Cho, National Human Rights  
Commission of Korea

1. Adoption of Agenda (Chairperson)
2. Confirmation of Attendance (Chairperson)
3. Report on Forum Operations (Secretariat)
4. Report of APF Finances and Administration (Secretariat)
5. Business Plan (Secretariat)
6. APF Training Needs Analysis (Secretariat)
7. Membership Applications (Chairperson)
8. Discussion re: Tenth Annual Meeting (Secretariat)
  - Agenda
  - Concluding Statement
9. Advisory Council of Jurists (Chairperson)
  - Appointments
  - 2006 Reference
10. International Coordinating Committee (Secretariat)
  - Report of the APF representative to the ICC Accreditation Sub-Committee
  - Election of four regional representatives to the ICC and one regional representative to the ICC accreditation sub-committee
  - Participation of National Human Rights Institutions in the work of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights

11. 13th UN Asia Pacific Workshop on Regional Cooperation for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights (Chairperson)
12. Disability Rights (Chairperson)
13. Internally Displaced Persons (Secretariat)
14. Senior Executive Officers – Issues for Discussion (Chair, Senior Executive Officers Network)
15. Eleventh Annual Meeting (Secretariat)
  - Location
  - Proposed Topic: NHRI's and the International Labour Organisation: Protections for Migrant Workers
16. Election of new Chairperson and Deputy Chairpersons
17. General Business

12:00–1:00

**Lunch**  
European Restaurant

1:00–3:00

**Meeting of Senior Executive Officers**  
Room: Conference Hall  
Chair: Mr Kedar Poudyal, National Human Rights Commission of Nepal

1. Developments since last SEO Network meeting in Nepal
2. National Action Plans - development, implementation and monitoring
3. Strategic planning processes for NHRIs
4. Operational planning and implementation of strategic plans
5. APF Business Plan
6. Complaint Handling - Key indicators and Processes
  - Presentation: Case Management System, Fiji Human Rights Commission
7. Future information exchange

4:00

**Registration** (observers)  
Room: 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

### **Opening Ceremony, Cultural Program and Reception**

6:00pm

**Opening Ceremony – Celebrating 10 Years of the Asia Pacific Forum**  
Room: Conference Hall - please be seated no later than 6:10pm

- 6:15pm Keynote Speeches
- Mr Enkhbayar Nambar  
President of Mongolia
- Mr Tserendorj Suren  
Chief Commissioner, National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia, Chairperson, Asia Pacific Forum of National Human Rights Institutions
- Ms Pratibha Mehta  
Resident Coordinator  
United Nations
- 6:45pm End
- 6:50pm **Reception and Cultural Program**  
Meet in lobby of Chinggis Khaan Hotel for transportation to Hotel Mongolia
- 7:30pm **Reception**  
Hosted by Mr Enkhbayar Nambar  
President of Mongolia
- 9:30pm Transportation back to Chinggis Khaan Hotel
- 10:00pm Arrive at Chinggis Khaan Hotel

## **Day 2                      Thursday 25 August 2005**

### **Open Session – Forum Members and Registered Observers**

- 8.30 **Registration**  
Room: 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor
- 9:00 – 10:00 **Asia Pacific Regional Cooperation**  
Chair: Mr Tserendorj Suren  
National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia
- Report from Closed Session Meeting  
Mr Kieren Fitzpatrick, Director – Secretariat  
Asia Pacific Forum of National Human Rights Institutions
- Mr Orest Nowosad, Coordinator  
National Institutions Unit  
Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Ms Yanine Poc, Officer-in-Charge  
Regional Office for Asia-Pacific  
Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Reports from representatives of Asia Pacific Governments –  
(3 minutes each)
- Report from Non-Governmental Organisations – (10 minutes)

Representative  
Non-Governmental Organisations

10:00 – 10.15 Open Discussion - Question and Answer Session

10.15 Morning Tea

10.45 **Reports from APF Members** (4 minutes)  
Chair: Philippines Commission on Human Rights

- Note 1: APF members to submit written report to APF Secretariat by Wednesday 10 August 2005
- Note 2: Speakers will be stopped after 4 minutes

- Afghanistan
- Australia
- Fiji
- India
- Indonesia
- Jordan
- Malaysia
- Mongolia
- Nepal
- New Zealand
- Palestine
- Philippines
- Republic of Korea
- Sri Lanka
- Thailand

11.45 **Reports from other Human Rights Institutions** (4 minutes)

- Iran
- Maldives
- Qatar
- Saudi Arabia
- Timor-Leste
- Uzbekistan

12:10 – 12.30 Open Discussion – Questions and Answer Session

12.30 **Lunch**  
European Restaurant

2.00 **National Human Rights Institutions and Human Rights Education**

Chair: Afghan Independent Human Rights Commission

*Incorporating human rights education into school curriculum*

Dr Shaista Shameem, Director  
Fiji Human Rights Commission

Ms Khishigsaikhan Batchuluun, Director  
National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia

*Public Advocacy and the Role of the Media*

Dr Judy McGregor  
Equal Employment Opportunity Commissioner  
New Zealand Human Rights Commission

2.45 Open Discussion – Question and Answer Session

- 3.30 Afternoon Tea
- 4.00 **National Human Rights Institutions and Internally Displaced Persons: Report on the APF-Brookings/Bern Project**  
Chair:
- Dr Deepika Udagama, Commissioner  
Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka
- Dr Purificacion Quisumbing, Chairperson  
Philippines Commission on Human Rights
- 4.30 Open Discussion – Question and Answer Session
- 5.00 **End of Day 2**

### **Cultural Evening**

- 5:30 Meet in Chinggis Khaan Hotel Lobby for transportation to Chingisiin Khuree
- 6:15 Cultural event and performance
- 8:15 Formal Dinner
- 10:00 Transportation back to Chinggis Khaan Hotel
- 10:30 Arrive at Chinggis Khaan Hotel

### **Day 3 Friday 26 August 2005**

#### **National Human Rights Institutions and the Prevention of Torture and other forms of ill-treatment**

- 9:00 **National Human Rights Institutions and the Prevention of Torture and other forms of ill-treatment**  
Room: Conference Hall  
Chair: Tan Sri Simon Sipaun, Vice-Chairman  
Human Rights Commission of Malaysia
- Report from the Advisory Council of Jurists*  
Representatives, Advisory Council of Jurists - Presentation and Panel Discussion
- 10.00 – 10.30 Open Discussion – Questions and Answers
- 10:30 Morning tea
- 11:00 **National Human Rights Institutions and the Prevention of Torture and other forms of ill-treatment**  
Chair: Mr Dashdorj Jadamba  
National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia
- Dr Matthew Pringle, Association for the Prevention of Torture  
*The Optional Protocol to the United Nations Convention against Torture: a practical tool for preventing torture*

Mr Dashdorj Jadamba, Commissioner  
National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia

Representative  
National Human Rights Commission of Nepal

12.00 Open Discussion – Questions and Answers

1:00 **Lunch**  
European Restaurant

2:00 **Advisory Council of Jurists - 2006 Reference and Report from APF Members**

Chair:

a) Decision on the 2006 Reference to the Advisory Council  
b) Report from APF Members on Standing Issues

- Terrorism
- Trafficking
- Death Penalty
- Child Pornography

3.00 – 3.30 Open Discussion – Questions and Answers

3:30 **Afternoon tea**

4:00 **CLOSED SESSION (Forum Members and OHCHR)**

Final Drafting of the Concluding Statement  
Room: Meeting Room 1

4:00 **The Work of the National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia**

Representative, National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia

5:00 **FINAL CONFERENCE STATEMENT**

Adoption of Statement of Conclusions and Recommendations  
Room: Conference Hall

Mr Tserendorj Suren  
Chief Commissioner, National Human Rights Commission of Mongolia, Chairperson, Asia Pacific Forum of National Human Rights Institutions

6.00pm **End of Tenth Annual Meeting**

**Note:** The Advisory Council of Jurists will meet separately before joining the proceedings of the last day.