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ROYAL THAI EMBASSY
JAKARTA

The Royal Thai Embassy presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honour to forward herewith the Declaration of Principles to Strengthening ASEAN Collaboration on Youth signed by their Excellencies the ASEAN Foreign Ministers during the Sixteenth ASEAN Ministerial Meeting in Bangkok on 24 June 1983.

It would be appreciated if the ASEAN Secretariat would acknowledge the receipt of the said Declaration at the earliest convenience.

The Royal Thai Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the ASEAN Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.



The ASEAN Secretariat,
JAKARTA.

*Mr. Othman, for safekeeping, please.
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DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES TO
STRENGTHENING ASEAN COLLABORATION ON YOUTH

The Foreign Ministers of the ASEAN countries representing the Republic of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore and the Kingdom of Thailand,

CONCERNED with the fostering and development of youth in ASEAN countries ;

RECOGNIZING the importance of active participation and integration of the ASEAN youth in sharing the future development and progress of ASEAN and the necessity of meeting the needs and aspiration of the youth in ASEAN countries ;

AWARE that only profound understanding of the current situation and likely prospects can lead to the promotion of the best educational, professional and living conditions for the young people in ASEAN which will ensure their active participation and integration in national and regional development ;

CONSIDERING the necessity of strengthening ASEAN collaboration on youth ;

DESIRING to further intensify the aims and purposes of the Bangkok Declaration of 1967, and the Declaration of ASEAN Concord of 1976 ;

DO HEREBY DECLARE THAT :

In the context of strengthening ASEAN collaboration on youth, each Member Country either individually or collectively in ASEAN shall endeavour :

1. To create appropriate environments which facilitate the promotion and development of the creativity and responsibility of youth and the participation and integration of youth in national and regional development.
2. To promote policies and programmes relating to youth as an integral part of social, moral, cultural, spiritual and economic development.

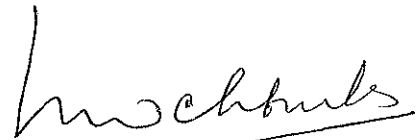
3. To increase employment opportunities through formulation of effective programmes, national policies and plans to reduce youth unemployment.
4. To expand the base of youth participation and integration at the national and regional levels of development, such as through mobilization, consultation, participation in decision making and provision of services.
5. To create opportunity that will enable all young persons to benefit from the educational programmes and activities at national and regional levels, to ensure access to education at every level and to make available technical and vocational training, to inculcate self discipline in society.
6. To facilitate youth exchange and youth cooperation at national and regional levels to strengthen the relationship among the youth of ASEAN.
7. To promote the involvement of youth and the exchange of informations on youth and related issues, in particular through improving and expanding the channel of communication among ASEAN member countries, as a contribution to the establishment of the new international information order.
8. To strengthen solidarity in the international youth forum by promoting harmonization of views, coordinating positions and, where possible and desirable taking common action.
9. To enhance active participation of youth and non - governmental youth organizations in society, and in particular the promotion and achievement of national and regional development, toward strengthening the national and regional resilience.
10. To support the efforts of national and regional non - governmental youth organizations in the development of their constructive and responsible activities.

Done in *Bangkok*
day of *June, 1983*
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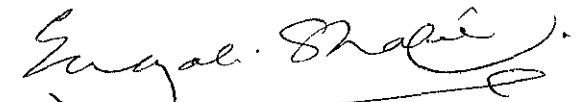
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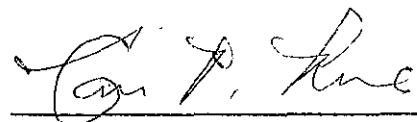
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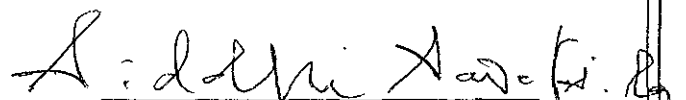
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