

EMBAIXADA DE PORTUGAL KEDUTAAN BESAR PORTUGAL JAKARTA

Jakarta, 21 April 2009

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform Your Excellency that I have today presented to His Excellency Mr. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, President of the Republic of Indonesia, the Letters of Credence accrediting me as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Portugal to the Republic of Indonesia.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express to Your Excellency my sincere desire to maintain and further strengthen the cordial relations, both official and personal, which so happily exist between our two countries and Missions.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Carlos Manuel Leitão Frota

Ambassador

His Excellency
Dr. Surin Pitsuwan
Secretary General of the Association
of South East Asian
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Lisbon, 1st April 2009

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On the eve of the Spring European Council, the Portuguese Prime Minister, Mr. José Sócrates, forwarded to the Presidents of the European Council, the European Commission and the G20 a letter suggesting the promotion, together with the World Bank, of a multilateral mechanism in which regional groupings and the regional financial institutions would meet to discuss possible contributions to face the current economic and financial crisis, with the aim of extending the basis and the legitimacy of the international consensus regarding policy action to address the major global problems.

The European Council endorsed this proposal, as it recognized that in a context of global cooperation it would be useful for the European Union to promote multilateral consultative mechanisms in which regional groupings could participate.

I enclose a copy of the relevant documents for your information and I would welcome your reaction on this initiative.

Please accept, Dear Secretary-General, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Luís Amado

Minister of State and Foreign Affairs

H. E. Dr. Surin Pitsuwan Secretary-General Association of Southeast Asian Nations Jakarta

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Lisbon, 18 March 2009

Dear Mr. ...,

The G-20 Summit held last November demonstrated the European Union's leadership in defining an agenda for tackling the international economic and financial crisis. The comprehensive and ambitious outcome of that meeting closely followed the EU's terms of reference, showing our ability to define common views among Member States that set worldwide standards.

The G-20 undoubtedly remains a privileged forum in which the EU should continue to present its proposals and defend the best solutions for the major problems that we face.

But it is also crucial to extend the basis of the international consensus regarding policy action addressing the financial and economic crisis and the reform of the international financial system. We must broaden the scope of this process so as to cover other relevant players, thus enhancing the legitimacy and the efficiency of our endeavours - an effective multilateralization of the work carried out at the G20 level should be pursued.

Indeed, several advanced economies in the world and vast geographical areas of strategic importance are excluded from the G-20 discussions, together with the low and medium-income countries. And yet these countries are expected to follow and implement measures that were defined without their direct involvement and without taking into account their specificities.

In this context, it is clear that the vast potential of regional co-operation and integration organisations and arrangements in Africa, Asia and Latin America has not been duly explored. This is all the more striking as we witness the availability of several regional blocks to become more deeply engaged in this process. The latest ASEM Summit provides us with a fine example, as our Asian counterparts demonstrated a remarkable degree of proximity to our views and a clear expectation to have a voice and to play their role in the international decision-making process.

We all agree that the dynamics of global markets demands more regional coordination and more interregional cooperation, to manage new global macroeconomic equilibriums.

The EU could assume a pivotal part in promoting with the World Bank a multilateral mechanism in which regional groupings and the regional financial institutions would have their voice. Organisations such as ASEAN, the African Union, MERCOSUR, the S. José Group and CARICOM, the Gulf Cooperation Council, the emerging structures in Central and Eastern Asia, *inter alia*, should be invited to participate. The mandate of this initiative should not be limited to the duration of the crisis, as the Forum could also be of important use in the complex task of reforming the World Bank and the IFIs. The Forum's discussions and conclusions would naturally be conveyed to the G-20, thereby enriching the legitimacy, the substance and the range of its decisions.

A first meeting could be convened by the World Bank at the margins of the next "Spring Meeting" in Washington.

The dimension of the challenges before us calls for bold and innovative approaches. The European Union has an excellent opportunity to foster intra and inter-regional dialogue and co-operation, something it has pursued for a long time, as a means to overcome the international crisis and enter a new phase of financial stability, global prosperity and social development.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

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José Sócrates

Working together at the global level

- 21. A global crisis requires global responses. Coordinated and timely action is necessary to put the global economy back on track towards recovery. In line with the outcome of the Berlin Summit and the G20 ministerial meeting, the EU is doing its part to support demand and will take what action is necessary. Our efforts need to be adequately reflected at the international level.
- 22. The European Union will take a leading role at the global level in promoting a swift return to sustainable economic growth; strengthening our ability to manage crises; bringing forward the reform of financial markets; and supporting developing countries in order to avoid putting at risk the progress achieved in recent years, thus undermining their economic and political stability. The G20 Summit in London has a crucial role to play in reshaping the global financial system and rebuilding the confidence of economic actors across the world. To that end, the European Council adopts the joint position set out in Annex 1 and invites the Council and the Commission to ensure appropriate follow-up to the Summit.
- 23. On these matters, the European Union will seek to promote multilateral consultative mechanisms in which regional groupings could participate.

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EXCELÊNCIA,

TENHO A HONRA DE COMUNICAR A VOSSA EXCELÊNCIA QUE O GOVERNO DA REPÚBLICA PORTUGUESA DECIDIU ACREDITAR O EMBAIXADOR CARLOS FROTA COMO REPRESENTANTE PERMANENTE DE PORTUGAL JUNTO DA ASSOCIAÇÃO DAS NAÇÕES DO SUDESTE ASIÁTICO (ASEAN).

ESTOU CERTO DE QUE VOSSA EXCELÊNCIA RECEBERÁ COM AGRADO ESTA DESIGNAÇÃO, RECONHECENDO O EMBAIXADOR CARLOS MANUEL LEITÃO FROTA NA REFERIDA QUALIDADE E DANDO INTEIRO CRÉDITO AO QUE ELE LHE COMUNICAR OFICIALMENTE, POIS QUE O FARÁ COM O OBJECTIVO DE ESTREITAR AS RELAÇÕES ENTRE PORTUGAL E A ASSOCIAÇÃO DAS NAÇÕES DO SUDESTE ASIÁTICO.

APROVEITO A OPORTUNIDADE PARA APRESENTAR A VOSSA EXCELÊNCIA OS PROTESTOS DA MINHA MAIS ELEVADA CONSIDERAÇÃO.

LUIS AMADO

MINISTRO DE ESTADO E DOS NEGÓCIOS ESTRANGEIROS

S. E. DR. SURIN PITSUWAN SECRETÁRIO GERAL DA ASSOCIAÇÃO DAS NAÇÕES DO SUDESTE ASIÁTICO

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Former Lawyer and Former Magistrate

DIPLOMATIC CAREER

December	1978	:	Passed examination to the Diplomatic Career
July	1979	;	Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
April	1981	:	Attaché, Embassy in Bissau, Guinea Bissau
January	1982	:	Promoted to Third Secretary
October	1982	:	Promoted to Second Secretary
April	1984		Consul-General in Bordeaux, France
August	1988	:	Embassy in S. Tome e Principe, as Deputy Head of Mission
March	1990	:	Consul-General in Orleans, France
July	1990	1	Promoted to First Secretary
June	1993	:	Promoted to Counsellor
June	1993	;	At the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Lisbon as
			Director of the Asia and Oceania Department; and
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September	1996	:	Director of the Preparatory Office of Consulate-General In Macau
November	1996	:	Promoted to Minister Plenipotentiary
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December 1999 Consul-General in Macau (first, ever, after the hand-over

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