



Il Ministro degli Affari Esteri

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Dear Secretary General,

I have the pleasure to inform you that H.E. Roberto Palmieri, Ambassador of Italy to the Republic of Indonesia, has been charged with representing the interests of Italy with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) as Permanent Representative of Italy to this Organization.

Italy is very much interested in establishing strong ties with ASEAN, taking into account the important role that the Organization is playing in Asia in upholding regional peace and security, human rights, social justice, free and multilateral trade.

I therefore kindly request Your Excellency to receive favourably Ambassador Palmieri. I have asked him to convey my best wishes for the prosperity of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and for your personal success as Secretary-General of the Organization.

With best regards,

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