Statement by Mr. Chung Eui-yong, Co-Chairman of the Standing Committee and Secretary General of the ICAPP on May 22, 2014

We are gravely concerned about the military coup d'état in Thailand and closely monitoring the situation there.

We strongly urge the Thai military authorities to take measures for swift restoration of democracy in the country based on the multiple political party system.

We also request them to guarantee participation of representatives of Thai political parties in ICAPP activities while the government is under control of the military.

In particular, we sincerely hope that the Pheu Thai Party delegation, headed by Dr. Nalinee Taveseen, will be able to participate in the 22nd Meeting of the ICAPP Standing Committee as planned. The meeting will be held in Vladivostok during May 30 and June 1, in which representatives of twenty three leading political parties from nineteen countries in Asia will participate. The Pheu Thai Party is one of the most active members of the ICAPP Standing Committee.