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To,
The Secretary General
ICAPP Secretariat
Seoul, Republic of Korea

At the outset, I would like to extend warms greetings and best wishes to you and the entire team of ICAPP Standing Committee and the members of the Secretariat.

As we did not have opportunity to frequently communicate during the COVID 19 situation, I hope all our friends represented in the ICAPP are doing well in their respective countries. The pandemic emerged like a black swan and impacted the entire world as the most formidable public health challenge ever experienced in our lifetime. How is the COVID -19 situation there in the Republic of Korea these days? I hope that with the combination of measures that the ROK has been successfully deploying, the situation must have come under control and the life must be gradually returning to the normalcy.

Here in Nepal, the situation was no different than everywhere else. However, with the swift measures, both preventive and treatment, undertaken right from the beginning, we were largely able to contain the virus. Through strengthening of health system, building of health-related infrastructures and enforcement of containment measures well in time, we were able to significantly save the lives of the people and protect the sources of their livelihoods. With rolling out of the vaccines well in time, we hope the impact will gradually lessen and we would return to normalcy soon.

Excellency,

I am writing today to inform you and through you to the Secretariat and the entire team of the ICAPP Standing Committee Members about the change of the name of my political party as the **Communist Party of Nepal (UML)** which was previously known as Nepal Communist Party. With this change in the name of the party as per the laws of Nepal, all communications to our party henceforth may please kindly be addressed as the Communist Party of Nepal (UML) instead of Nepal Communist Party. I also request the ICAPP Secretariat to inform of this change to all the members of the Secretariat as well as all political parties in Asia affiliated with the ICAPP and place on Secretariat's record of this change accordingly.

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Likewise, with the change in the name of the party, we have also decided to change the ICAPP Standing Committee Member representing our Party. Henceforth, Dr. Rajan Bhattarai, Foreign Policy Advisor to the Prime Minister of Nepal and Central Committee Member of the Party, has been designated as the official representative of our party to the ICAPP. He will replace Hon. Mr. Jhala Nath Khanal with immediate effect. I also request you to kindly direct all communications to Dr. Rajan Bhattarai from now onwards. He will represent the party and maintain necessary communications with ICAPP on behalf of the Communist Party of Nepal (UML). Contact details of Dr. Rajan Bhattarai are:

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Communist Party of Nepal (UML) attaches high importance to its fruitful relations with the ICAPP Secretariat and all the affiliated political parties to it.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.
Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

K P Sharma Oli
President
Communist Party of Nepal (UML)
and the Prime Minister of Nepal

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