

**BRIEFING ON THE OUTCOMES
OF
THE 5TH ADMM and ADSOM-Plus
INDONESIA, 2011**

**Mr Chairman,
Distinguished Participants,
Ladies and Gentlemen,**

Please allow me to inform you about the outcomes of the 5th ADMM which was held in Jakarta, on 19 May 2011. The Meeting was attended by all the ASEAN Defence Ministers and Representing Defence Ministers. The meeting was chaired by Indonesia Defence Minister, Mr. Purnomo Yusgiantoro. The ADMM aims to maintain peace and stability in the region through dialogues and cooperation in the field of defence and security, and to encourage confidence among ASEAN Member States, as well as to increase transparency and openness.

The 5th ADMM set a theme of “Strengthening Defence Cooperation of ASEAN in the Global Community to Face New Challenges”. The Meeting discussed five main agendas, namely, the review of the ADMM Three-Year-Work Programme 2008-2010; Report on the 8th ASEAN Chief of Defence Force Informal Meeting, presented by the Commander in Chief of the Indonesian National Defence Force; Presentation on Recent Developments of ASEAN by ASEAN Secretariat; Exchange of Views on recent development of global and regional defence and security issues; Discussion on practical defence cooperation. The Meeting also adopted the ADMM Three-Year-Work Programme 2011-2013; the ADMM Concept Papers and all the Head of Delegations signed the Joint Declaration of the 5th ADMM.

Mr Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I will highlight the main points of the meeting, those are:

First, **Peacekeeping operations.** The 5th ADMM has agreed to establish an ASEAN Peacekeeping Centres Network. The network will facilitate cooperation in peacekeeping among all ASEAN Member States. It will conduct planning, training, and exchange of experiences for peacekeeping operations and with a long term objective of developing a regional arrangement.

Second, **enhancing ASEAN defence industry collaboration.** The collaboration will provide opportunities to promote knowledge sharing, based on the principles of flexible, voluntary and non-binding participation.

Third, **Disaster Relief and Humanitarian Assistance.** The fifth ADMM was aware on the importance of building the resilience against disaster and disaster response preparedness. The Meeting agreed to intensify practical cooperation for effective operations in the use of military assets and capacities in HADR within the ASEAN military under the ASEAN Chief of Defence Forces Informal Meeting or the ACDFIM. The cooperation will be coordinated through a Joint Coordinating Committee (JCC) composed of Officials from Military and Defence Institution.

Fourth, ADMM has also adopted a new **Three-Year Work Program**, which will set clear targets of activities of the ADMM for the years of 2011 to 2013.

Fifth, **Maritime Security**. ADMM reaffirmed ASEAN Member States' commitment to fully and effectively implement the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea, and to work towards the adoption of a regional Code of Conduct in the South China Sea that would further promote peace and stability in the region. ADMM also reiterated the importance of the role of the ASEAN Maritime Forum (AMF) in discussing ways to address various issues of maritime security.

Sixth, **ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus**. The 5th ADMM is on the view of the ADMM-Plus as an important platform to foster constructive engagement between ASEAN and its security partners on strategic as well as defence and security issues.

ADMM also supported the establishment of the ADMM-Plus Experts' Working Groups (EWGs) as platforms for practical cooperation between ASEAN and the Plus countries to strengthen the region's capacity and effectiveness in addressing security challenges.

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The ASEAN Defence Senior Officials' Meeting-Plus (ADSOM-Plus) was held in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, on 29 April 2011. The Meeting was chaired by Air Marshal Eris Herryanto, Secretary General of the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Indonesia. The Meeting was attended by delegates from all ASEAN Member States and Plus Countries and the representatives of the ASEAN Secretariat.

The Meeting exchanged of views on general security issues and was aware that peace and stability remained the main concerns of the Asia Pacific region. Notwithstanding the relatively peaceful security situation in the region, the Meeting acknowledged the existing non-traditional security challenges, including natural disaster, maritime security, and counter-terrorism, which required concerted efforts from countries in the region as well as then active role and contribution of the defence officials in addressing these challenges.

The meeting agreed to adopt the concept paper on Establishing an Experts' Working Group (EWG) with five areas cooperation in the framework of ADMM Plus namely:

1. Concept Paper of the EWG on Maritime Security that will be co-hosted by Malaysia and Australia
2. Concept Paper of the EWG on HADR that will be co-hosted by Viet Nam and PRC
3. Concept Paper of the EWG on PKO that will be co-hosted by The Philippines and New Zealand
4. Concept Paper of the EWG on Counter-Terrorism that will be co-hosted by Indonesia and USA
5. Concept Paper of the EWG on Military Medicine that will be co-hosted by Singapore and Japan

That concludes my presentation.

I thank you very much.