

**Statement by the Chairman of the ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) on the Terrorist
Acts of the 11th September 2001
Bandar Seri Begawan, 4 October 2001**

His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah, the Chairman of the ASEAN Regional Forum on behalf of participating states and organisation issues the following statement:

The States and organisation participating in the ASEAN Regional Forum condemn the acts of terrorism perpetrated in the United States on September 11, 2001, that resulted in the death of thousands of innocent peoples.

The threat of international terrorism to international peace and security requires concerted action to protect and defend all peoples and the peace and security of the world. It is also important that the underlying causes of this phenomenon be addressed to resolve the scourge of international terrorism.

Our governemnts undertake to use all necessary and available means to pursue, capture and punish those responsible for these attacks and to prevent additional attacks.

The ASEAN Regional Forum will address ways and means to cooperate further in the fight against terrorism in its future deliberations.
