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The meeting opened at 11:30 on Tuesday, 24 June 2008, with Hartmut Nassauer (Chairman) in the chair.

**1. Adoption of draft agenda (PE 405.691)**

The draft agenda was adopted.

**2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of 22 April 2008 (PE 405.649)**

The draft minutes were approved.

**3. Chairman's announcements**

The Chairman debriefed Members on the ASEP (Asia-Europe Parliamentary Partnership) meeting, which took place in Beijing on 19-20 June 2008. He noted that the Final Declaration contained most of the amendments proposed by the European Parliament's Delegation. The Chairman also informed Members, in that context, about two incidents involving planned meetings of Members of the European Parliament's delegation with a priest of a house church in China and a Chinese AIDS activist respectively. These meetings did not take place due to a number of circumstances, which led the European Parliament's delegation to send a letter to the Chinese Authorities expressing their protest and concern.

The Chairman also informed Members about the preparations for the forthcoming AIPA (ASEAN Inter-parliamentary Assembly) meeting, which is due to take place on 19-24 August 2008 in Singapore, and about the decision of the Conference of Presidents to authorise a delegation of the European Parliament to observe the general elections in Cambodia on 27 July 2008.

**4. First exchange of views on the preparations for the seventh EP-Thailand interparliamentary meeting, due to take place in Thailand on 24-28 November 2008**

The Chairman informed Members about the preliminary preparations for the forthcoming inter-parliamentary meeting EP-Thailand, scheduled to take place on 24-28 November 2008, and invited Members to express their priorities as regards both the agenda and the programme.

The Chairman invited then the representative of the European Commission, Ms Danièle Dal Molin to give an overview of the current political situation in Thailand, who referred, *inter alia*, to the following issues: levels of popular support for the current Government, EU funded projects in Southern Thailand, the assumption of the ASEAN presidency by Thailand as from 1st July 2008 for a period of 18 months, and the resumption of negotiations on an association agreement with Thailand.

The following Members participated in the discussion: Vice-chairperson Giovanna Corda, Csaba Öry, Barbara Weiler, Margie Sudre, Javier Pomés Ruiz and Dariusz Grabowski.

## **5. Briefing by the European Commission on the state of trade negotiations between the EU and ASEAN**

The Chairman invited the representative of the Commission, Mr Berz, to give an overview on the current state of negotiations. In this context, note was taken of the relatively slow progress made so far after four rounds of negotiations. The representative of the Commission informed Members on the list of items to be discussed at the current round of negotiations this week in Manila.

The following Members participated then in the discussion: the Chairman, Robert Goebbels, Barbara Weiler and Csaba Öry. Members regretted the level of ambition shown by the ASEAN partners as regards the substance and the timing of the negotiation and hoped for more progress following the current round of negotiations in Manila. The importance of the ASEAN region for the European Union was underlined and the support for a regional approach in these negotiations. However, the question was raised whether it will be possible to maintain the regional approach in the negotiations.

## **6. Debriefing by Mr Csaba Öry, MEP, on his recent mission to Vietnam**

Mr Csaba Öry was invited by the Chairman to brief Members on his recent visit to Vietnam to participate in a seminar. Mr Öry reported on the four main topics discussed at the seminar: enlargement of the European Union, the role of parliamentarians in regional integration, global challenges such as climate change and cooperation with the EU.

## **7. Any other business**

No further observations were made.

## **8. Date and place of meetings in 2008**

- 9 September, Brussels, 11.30 - 12.30
- 6 November, Brussels, 10.15 - 11.15
- 19 November, Strasbourg, 15.00 - 16.00 (tbc)
- 24 - 28 November, IPM in Thailand

The meeting closed at 12.30 h.

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Gintaras Didžiokas, Dariusz Maciej Grabowski, Csaba Öry, José Javier Pomés Ruiz, Teresa Riera Madurell, Barbara Weiler
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Robert Goebbels, Margie Sudre

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