



THE ASEAN FEDERATION OF LAND SURVEYING AND GEOMATICS

Minutes of the 29th Council Meeting Held on 29th October 2007 (Monday) @ 5.30 PM at Christchurch Convention Centre, Christchurch, New Zealand

Present:

Jurukur Perunding Services (Brunei) Sdn Bhd - Pg. Matusin bin Pg. Matasan	- President
Singapore Institute of Surveyors and Valuers - Mr. See Seng Guan	- Vice President
Institution of Surveyors Malaysia - Dr. Khoo Boo Khean	- Imm. Past President I
Bakosurtanal, Indonesia – Drs Diah Kirana Kresnawati (representing Mr. Rudolf Matindas)	- Imm. Past President II
Survey Department, Brunei Darussalam - Miss Nor Zetty Akhtar bt Haji Abd Hamid	- Hon. Secretary General
PEJUTA, Malaysia - Mr. Chun Ming Kee	- Hon. Treasurer General
Survey Department , Brunei Darussalam -Tuan Haji Mohd Jamil bin Hj Mohd Ali	- Council Member
Survey Department, Malaysia - Datuk Hamid bin Ali	- Council Member
PEJUTA, Malaysia – Tuan Haji Saharuddin bin Saat	- Council Member
Land Surveyors Board Singapore - Mr. Tan Choo Haw	- Council Member
Institute Surveyor Indonesia - Mr. Sugeng Prijadi (representing Mr Benny MSI)	- Council Member
Land Surveyors Board Malaysia - Mr. Teo Chee Hai	- Council Member

Observers :

Institution of Surveyors Malaysia – Tuan Hj Mohd Zaid bin Abdullah	- Observer
Andrew Phung Voon Seng, Malaysia - Mr. Andrew Phung Voon Seng	- Observer
YASM - Mr. Zou Ya-Guang	- Observer
YASM - Mr. Wang Gui-Wu	- Observer
YASM - Mr. Yang Yong	- Observer
YASM - Mr. Han Ming	- Observer
YASM - Mr. Pu Hong-Sheng	- Observer
YASM - Mr. Zhan Rong-Cai	- Observer
YASM - Mr. Ke Zun-Jie	- Observer
YASM - Mr. Guo Yi-Li	- Observer
YASM - Mr Xia-Tian	- Observer
YASM - Xu Ji-Zhong	- Observer

In Attendance:

Ms. Raja Bismayazan bt Raja Abd Aziz	- Executive Secretary
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Absent with Apologise:

Bakosurtanal, Indonesia – Mr Rudolf Matindas	- Imm. Past President II
Surveying and Mapping Society, Thailand – Dr Wicha Jiwalai	- Senior Vice President
Cadastre & Engineering Survey Co., Vietnam – Mr Nguyen Van Duc	- Council Member
Newas Survey Consultancy, Brunei Darussalam – Mr Newas Ukoi	- Council Member
Certeza Surveying & Aerophoto Systems, Inc – Mr Reynaldo Adorador	- Council Member

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	<p>set up some of our survey organizations. Since then, we have gone a long way. During the 9th SEAS Congress I note that there will be a number of presentations from ASEAN delegates, and this showcase the ASEAN surveying and geomatics fraternity. Hence, this will serve as a platform to demonstrate far we have developed. Though we may still need some expertise, we have expertise of our own. I recognize that there are some survey organizations amongst us that are very well progressive and could be the envy of the Kiwis and Aussies!!. Congratulations.</p> <p>The Theme of the 9th SEAS Congress is "Developing Sustainable Societies". In the pursuit of our The ASEAN FLAG aims and objectives, and as demonstrated by our motto, 'developing sustainable societies' is very true indeed. As Professor Holger Magel, Past FIG President, said at the 8th SEAS Congress in Brunei Darussalam "surveying is a central pillar of each country and its economy", we should demonstrate our resolve to play a pivotal role and be a central 'pillar' in national development. Hence, the role of the surveyors and geomaticians should be more visible and sustainable.</p> <p>Distinguished Councilors, members, ladies and gentlemen,</p> <p>For this 29th Council Meeting today, we have a long agenda. And as you are equally aware, tomorrow we will have our 5th Biennial General Meeting and Election of the new AFLAG Council. It is our mutual desire to ensure that ASEAN FLAG makes strides in her progress in leaps and bound. By this, we mean, unflagging support from members. Realizing the difficulties in getting new members and retaining existing ones, we need to develop plans and strategies to make ASEAN FLAG a vibrant organization.</p> <p>I am very happy to note that a sizeable number of us is here to attend both The AFLAG Meetings and SEAS Congress. I am grateful for the support and show of solidarity.</p> <p>I welcome you all and, and it is my honored privilege and with great pleasure to declare this 29th Council meeting.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>	
<p>2.0</p>	<p><u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE 28th COUNCIL MEETING</u></p> <p>The Minutes of the 28th Council meeting held in Hanoi, Vietnam on 10th June 2007 was confirmed on the proposal of Mr Tan Choo Haw and seconded by Mr Chun Ming Kee.</p>	<p>Info.</p>
<p>3.0</p>	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></p>	<p>Info.</p>
<p>3.1</p>	<p>Compilation of Directory for Professional Service Providers</p> <p>The Secretary informed at the moment there was still no further update received from members.</p> <p>The President strongly welcome any input from members with regards to the compilation of the Directory for Professional Service Providers. This is a very important area for all the members and also for the public to get information and professional advice or services .</p>	

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3.2	<p>Newsletter</p> <p>The President understood that there was no progress on the newsletter as well. The President volunteered himself to be the editor of the newsletter.</p>	Info.
4.0	<p>APPROVAL OF NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION</p> <p>The Honorary Secretary General tabled the Membership application received from Jurukur Nizam Ali from Malaysia. The application was unanimously approved and the meeting welcome Nizam Ali into the organisation.</p> <p>The Certificate of Membership would be issued at the 5th Biennial General Meeting.</p>	Info.
5.0	<p>REPORT BY THE HONORARY SECRETAY GENERAL</p> <p>The Honorary Secretary General Miss Nor Zetty Akhtar reported;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apologies received from members: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Newas Ukoi (Brunei) 2. 7 nomination forms have been received from committee for the coming Biennial General Meeting on 30th October 2007. No Ballot paper was required. 3. A letter on the confirmation of Indonesia hosting the next South East Asian Survey Congress has been prepared by the Secretariat and sent to Indonesia's representative 4. The Sydney FIG 2010 Congress Organising Committee which was established by the Institution of Surveyors Australia had invited ASEAN FLAG to hold a Council Meeting in Sydney during FIG Congress. The Congress will be held 11-16 April 2010 at Darling Harbour, Sydney, Australia. A suitable boardroom will be reserved for the AFLAG meeting; as mentioned in the letter 5. The website has been updated accordingly since the 28th Council Meeting. Neither the secretariat nor Brunei Survey Department (the webmaster), received any comments on AFLAG website from members. <p>The President thanked the Honorary Secretary General for her reports.</p>	Info.
6.0	<p>FINANCIAL REPORT BY THE HONORARY TREASURER</p> <p>The President invited the Treasurer to present the account of ASEAN FLAG for the period July to October 2007.</p> <p>The Treasurer directed the meeting to the Income Statement for July to October 2007.</p> <p>The Honorary Treasurer highlighted that the important item to be discussed was removal of 15 members from The Register and writing off RM19,000 as bad debts. The number of members now became 51.</p> <p>The President thanked the Honorary Treasurer for his presentation and opened it to the Meeting for discussion.</p> <p>Dr Khoo Boo Khean remarked that usually most of the event was sponsored by the host. As an example, during the meeting in Brunei, the meeting expenses were covered by the host but still some travelling expenses had to be paid. Dr Khoo suggested that in future, whoever organise</p>	Info.



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	<p>the SEASC in the region, ASEAN FLAG should make it as a fund raising event with the host to share certain percentage to be given to ASEAN FLAG. This would strengthen AFLAG financial standing. He informed that ASEAN FLAG started well with the help of members and had a launching grant from PEJUTA and Land Surveyor Board of Malaysia.</p> <p>Mr Tan Choo Haw supported Dr Khoo's proposal because if SEASC is our flagship event we should get a levy at least to provide a fund raising of ASEAN FLAG.</p> <p>President realised the difficulty ASEAN FLAG are facing. He reiterated his earlier speech that ASEAN FLAG have to plan strategies as how to go forward in the future for example, knowing that Indonesia are going to host next SEASC so AFLAG have to start talking to BAKOSURTANAL how AFLAG should pursue this matter. Realising that organising SEASC is a very expensive business but, at the same time, AFLAG and The Organising Committee should develop a strategic plan to make it money-generating. It's to how we could secure sponsorship and donation from strategic partners. The President hope that Ibu Diah can discuss this matter with the organising committee and that could be the start. AFLAG could also seek assistance from people like LEICA, TRIMBLE etc that we feel could lend a hand to ASEAN FLAG.</p> <p>Mr Tan Choo Haw suggested that perhaps it would be at least a great help if the ASEAN FLAG officials travel can defray their cost. That part would be a good start.</p> <p>The Council Approved and confirmed the accounts of AFLAG, with Dr Khoo Boo Khean proposing and Tuan Haji Saharuddin bin Saat seconding the motion.</p>	
7.0	REPORT BY THE NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES	
7.1	<p>BRUNEI DARUSSALAM</p> <p>Tuan Haji Mohd Jamil bin Hj Mohd Ali reported that ;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Updating Maps with Street names using GPS. <p>Signing of The MoU with University Brunei Darussalam and Brunei Press for the production of the street map was held on the 17th October 2007. Street map will be completed in 6 to 8 months time. The current Street Map was published in 1996.</p> 2. Embarking on Hydro Boat <p>Survey Department now owns a Hydrographic Boat to be officially launched in early December 2007. The Hydrographic Boat is equipped with the hydrographic equipments.</p> 3. Real Time Kinematic <p>The tender for the RTK was closed on early October 2007. Evaluation was done in late October while the recommendation will be in November. Expected to be completed in a few months time.</p> 4. Brunei Institute of Geomatics <p>BIG will be organizing GIS day on November 2007 together with Survey department schedule on the 21st November 2007</p> 5. e-Government project <p>The Contract for one of the e-Government project under Ministry of Development coordinated by Survey Department has been signed on 21st April 2007. One of the main objective of the project is the implementation of Brunei National Spatial Data Infrastructure. A few modules in the project will cover development of GIS application and application online.</p> 	Info.

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	<p>Some hardware have been delivered and study requirement for applications has been conducted in stages</p> <p>6. Mutual Recognition Arrangement on Surveying Services (MRA)</p> <p>This matter has been forwarded to Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade for their consideration.</p> <p>The President thanked Tuan Haji Mohd Jamil bin Hj Mohd Ali for his report.</p>	
7.2	<p><u>INDONESIA</u></p> <p>Diah Kirana Kresnawati, dkirana@bakosurtanal.go.id, Head of Center for Information and Services, BAKOSURTANAL, delivered her prepared report:</p> <p>Good Morning Distinguished guest, participants, delegates, ladies and gentlemen,</p> <p>First of all, I would like to deliver the warm regards to you from Mr. Rudolf Matindas, the Head of the National Coordinating Agency for Surveys and Mapping (BAKOSURTANAL), he apology for not present today. And he extends congratulation to New Zealand Institute of Surveyor for organizing the 9th South East-Asian Survey Congress 2007.</p> <p>On behalf of Indonesia, We are welcome to accept an offer for the next conference: the 10th SEAS Congress 2009. The conference will be hosted by The National Coordinating Agency for Surveys and Mapping (BAKOSURTANAL), and cooperate with Indonesia Surveyor Association and Survey and Mapping Company Association . And will be supported by the State Ministry of Research and Technology, Ministry of Internal Affair, Ministry of Culture and Tourism, and the Governor of Bali.</p> <p>The venue will be in Sanur Bali-Indonesia. The date that we already proposed is on the 9th - 12 November 2009, you may see on the first circular distributed during the conference. But during this conference there are some requests that the next conference should move ahead on August 2009. Therefore, we are going to make any consideration, yet the weather on August is the best in Bali. I will inform you as soon as possible, so that you can arrange to come to Bali.</p> <p>In line with the fast development of geospatial technology, many institutions and individuals have been collecting and processing geospatial data for their own purposes. This creates the so called geo-information islands that are not connected or easily accessible to each other. One of the biggest challenges is how integrate these islands into a geo-information archipelago where data access, data exchange, data sharing and interoperability can be implemented.</p> <p>With its unique geographical position, Indonesia will be a special and unique place for professional surveyors of multi disciplines to share, meet and contribute the benefits. Therefore, we have been chosen the issue of the 10 SEAS Congress 2009 is " South East Asian Countries in digital geo-information". There is no better place to have a congress with this theme other in the largest archipelagic country in the world. Indonesia symbolizes the effort of integrating many islands into united archipelago without erasing characteristics of each island.</p> <p>Corresponding with 10th SEAS Congress, will be held the 4th Indonesian Geospatial Technology Exhibition as an annual program of BAKOSURTANAL in Indonesia, as information the first and the second were held in Jakarta Convention Center, it was successful. Which attended by more than 50 exhibitors and more than 2000 visitors (government - central/local, individual, university, student, NGO, consultant company and others).</p> <p>Why We chose Bali as a place for venue, because Bali is one of the world's most exotic and diverse destinations offering an extensive range of world class high tech meeting facilities, show stopping hotels, delicate food, exciting nightlife, unforgettable scenery, a friendly and charming people practicing an authentic age-old culture and almost unlimited recreational and cultural</p>	

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	<p>options available for meeting and incentive planners.</p> <p>Accordingly, on behalf of Government of Indonesia I extend to you an Invitation to the 10th SEAS Congress 2009 in Bali Indonesia. We look forward to welcoming you to Bali 2009.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>	
7.3	<p>MALAYSIA</p> <p>Mr Teo Chee Hai informed that the last meeting he did touch about the Land Surveyors Board and the profession are working on the code of ethic. There has been some discussion and already finalised the new set of code of ethic including disciplinary procedure.</p> <p>The President thanked Mr Teo for his report.</p>	
7.4	<p>SINGAPORE</p> <p>1. Continuing Professional Development</p> <p>Registered Surveyors are required to obtain 30 CPD units before their practicing certificates can be renewed for 2008. The 30 CPD units comprised of 20 CPD units in survey related activities and 10 CPD units in non survey related activities. Previously the requirements were 20 CPD units per annum. 1 CPD unit is equivalent to 1 hour of lecture of structured learning.</p> <p>The compulsory CPD requirements enhanced the continuing professional development of a Registered Surveyor and keep him current in the latest technology and practice of the profession.</p> <p>2. One Registered Surveyor was suspended from practice for a period of 12 months after due enquiry by LSB Disiplinary Committee under the Land Surveyors Act. The Registered Surveyor was found guilty by the High Court of Offences under the Securities Industry Act, Singapore.</p> <p>3. LSB President, Mr. Soh Kheng Peng was given a prestigious 'Smith Thorton' award by University of Melbourne, Australia for excellence in Land Surveying.</p> <p>The President thanked Mr Tan Choo Haw for his report.</p>	
7.5	<p>REPORT FROM DR KHOO BOO KHEAN</p> <p>The President invited Dr Khoo Boo Khean to report on one of our colleague, a Singaporean friend who couldn't attend the meeting.</p> <p>"Hello My Dear Friends, The Friend whom I am going to report is the founder member of ASEAN FLAG and very supportive not only to ASEAN FLAG but to all kind of surveying activities. He is Mr Wee Soo Kiang. I managed to contact him before leaving for Christchurch New Zealand. The latest news about him, his health is going downhill. The doctor had given whatever treatment that he should get and he is now resting at home. For those who can make it, please do visit him as soon as you can. Shall we pray for his recovery. Thank you."</p>	

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	<p>The President thanked Dr Khoo Boo Khean for his report. On behalf of ASEAN FLAG the President would like to convey best wishes to Mr Wee and family.</p>	
7.6	<p>REPORT FROM CHINA</p> <p>Mr Wang Gui-Wu read a prepared statement:</p> <p>Distinguished President Mr Matusin, ladies and gentlemen, Good evening.</p> <p>I am the vice director of Yunnan Association for Surveying and Mapping. It is our great honor to attend this meeting in Christchurch, New Zealand. Now please allow me to brief you a report about our recent works on behalf of YASM and our President Mr Yang Jun Dong;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Thanks for the help of ASEAN FLAG; YASM has become its formal CAP member. In incoming December, YASM will hold its 8th Quadrennial General Meeting. We will convey the spirit of these meetings in Christchurch to all of our members to attract more members to engage in the surveying and mapping cause of ASEAN FLAG. 2. Now the delegation of Cadastre and Engineering Survey Company, Vietnam led by Mr. Nguyen Van Duc is invited to attend the 8th General Meeting of YASM. Hereby, let me give them warm welcome on behalf of YASM and extend our welcome to Mr Matusin and delegations from other countries. 3. In the 28th Council Meeting in Vietnam, Our leader organization, Yunnan Association for Science and Technology (YAST), proposed to set up a Liaison Office of ASEAN FLAG in China (hereafter called The Agency), which meets the demand of development of both of us. For instance, it should have been more related companies and associations to attend the 9th SEASC, but actually there are not any formal bodies to propagate and organize this in China, and make the influence of ASEAN FLAG also need to know more about Chinese surveying and mapping area and hold the Council Meetings in different cities of China, which also add an urgency to set up an Agency of ASEAN FLAG in China. I assure that we will try our best to build a sound bridge between the professionals in SEA and China. By the way, the leader of YAST, Ms Hu Ai-Guo has handed a formal document to President Mr. Matusin. 4. ISPRS is well-known in the world. You may know that the 21st Congress of ISPRS will be held in July 2008, in Beijing China. More than 4,000 professionals of surveying and mapping from all of the world will participate in it. It will have a great significance for the related surveying and mapping professional in SEA, if the members of ASEAN FLAG will take part in the Congress. So if there is an Agency of ASEAN FLAG in China to deal with it, it will be much more convenient for ASEAN FLAG. Incidentally, we have discussed with the organizing committee of the Congress and got the consensus that welcome the members of ASEAN FLAG to participate in the Congress and you will be favoured in many aspects. And the Congress Director, Prof. Mr. Chen Jun has authorized us to convey the information to ASEAN FLAG and welcome you to Beijing, China in July 2008. Whoever intends to attend please feel free to contact us. 5. The 11th SEASC will be held in Kunming, China in the spring of 2011. Since China is a non-English speaking country, we hope several of our young learners can be received by your organizations to study and work with you for a time to practice English, particularly the experience of holding large-scale meetings. It should be our great honor if you whoever can help us. 6. At last, I am pleased to tell you that, Mr. Kao, JR-Shi the General Manager of Eagle Flying Survey Technology, and the President of Taiwan Consortia of Surveyors, who attended the 27th Council Meeting in Shanghai, welcome the 31st Council Meeting to be 	

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	<p>held in Taiwan in the spring 2008. If so, we will assist them for the meeting. Incidentally, we suggest the following Council Meetings be held I Harbin China. We'd like to prepare and offer everything possible well.</p> <p>That's all. Thank you.</p> <p>The President thanked Mr Wang for his speech.</p> <p>The President commented ;</p> <p>AFLAG took note of Items 1 & 2.</p> <p>The President and AFLAG congratulated Beijing China for hosting the ISPRS in 2008, and at the same time congratulate China for hosting the Olympic around the same time in 2008.</p> <p>On Item No. 5, the President informed that AFLAG are happy that YASM are taking a lot of efforts to organise events for the 11th SEASC success in Kunming PROC. ASEAN FLAG can assist in any way necessary; amongst which was the language issue.</p> <p>Item No. 6, with regards to the invitation to have the meeting in Taiwan, this will be discussed by the incoming Council which will be elected at the 5th Biennial General Meeting</p> <p>With regards to YAST to establish the agency office in Kunming PROC, the President regretted to inform that in reference to the ASEAN FLAG constitution, there is no provision for agency outside ASEAN that can be established.</p>	
8.0	<p>REPORT ON ORGANIZATION OF THE 9TH SEASC</p> <p>Mr Teo Chee Hai briefed the Meeting on the organization of the 9th SEASC.</p> <p>Mr Teo was hoping that the organiser and host were in the Council Meeting. He drew the attention of the Meeting to the program prepared by The Organising Committee. The change in the program was that at the opening of 9th SEASC, The President of ASEAN FLAG would only deliver a welcome remark NOT a Keynote Address as originally agreed.</p> <p>The President thanked Mr Teo Chee Hai for his brief.</p>	
9.0	ANY OTHER MATTERS	
9.1	<p>Nominations for The 5th Biennial General Meeting</p> <p>The President informed that there were still key posts which had not received any nomination; post of President and Honorary Secretary General. For the post of Honorary Treasurer , there was one nomination - Tuan Haji Saharuddin Saat from PEJUTA, Malaysia.</p> <p>For the Council Members, only 6 out of 10 nominations were received, namely ;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Datuk Hamid bin Ali from Land Surveyors Board Malaysia 2) Mr Tan Choo Haw from Land Surveyors Board of Singapore 3) Sugeng Prijadi from BAKOSURTANAL Indonesia 4) Mr Yang Jung Dong From YASM PROC 5) Mr Newas Ukoi from BIG, Brunei Darussalam 6). Tuan Haji Mohd Zaid Abdullah from ISM Malaysia 	

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	<p>There were 4 more posts for council members, as well as President and Honorary Secretary General.</p> <p>The President invited comments from the council ;</p> <p>Dr Khoo Boo Khean proposed Mr Tan Choo Haw to be the Honorary Secretary General citing that the Secretary General must serve for a long term for the good of ASEAN FLAG.</p> <p>Mr Tan Choo Haw declined the nomination. He then proposed Mr See Seng Guan from SISV for the post of President. This was seconded by Dr Khoo Boo Khean. Mr Tan Choo Haw informed that he previously spoke to the Thailand delegate, about Thailand taking the chair. However, Dr Wicha Jiwalai suggested that he would like to let Singapore take the lead and support Singapore.</p> <p>Mr See Seng Guan proposed Mr Gerry Ong from Singapore as Secretary General. This was seconded by Mr Tan Choo Haw.</p> <p>Mr Tan Choo Haw then proposed Tn Hj Mohd Jamil bin Hj Mohd Ali from Brunei Darussalam as Council Member, seconded by Dr Khoo Boo Khean.</p> <p>Mr Teo Chee Hai proposed Mr Nguyen Van Duc from Vietnam to be Council Member and seconded by Datuk Hamid bin Ali.</p>	
<p>10.0</p>	<p>DATE AND VENUE OF THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING</p> <p>The next Council Meeting would be discussed at the 30th Council Meeting, held immediately after the 5th Biennial General Meeting.</p>	<p>Info.</p>
<p>11.0</p>	<p><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p> <p>As there was no other matter to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 6.45 pm, with a vote of thanks to the Chair.</p> <p>Minutes Prepared By:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p>Nor Zetty Akhtar bin Abdul Hamid Honorary Secretary General</p> <p>Minutes Confirmed By:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p>Pengiran Matusin Matasan President</p>	<p>Info.</p>