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## ALLIANCE FOR DEMOCRACY IN LAOS

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The Alliance for Democracy in Laos(ADL) is a worldwide network of Lao political organization and active advocates to a peaceful change to genuine democracy in Laos.

ADL wholeheartedly supports the ACSC/APF 2016 that the Timor-Leste will be the host. It is the solidarity of Civil society coming together as a united way and showing the force of the people. ADL would like to bring to ASEAN community's attention that series of issues relating the Lao PDR itself which has ASEAN Chair in 2016- that is, the lack of respect of human rights. We "The people" as civil society, must come up with concise and proper means to prevent against such human Rights violations.

As an example, over three years on Dr. Sombat Somphone still has not been seen or heard from. He has been Enforced Disappearance in Vientiane, the capital of Lao PDR. More than 115 major appeals by NGO's, International bodies, Governments and other Human Rights Institutions were addressed to the Lao PDR government, but everything has got into a dead end.

In addition to this, Lao Prime Minister, Thongsing Thammavong signed Decree No.327 into law in September 2014 to prevent and control information deemed threatening to the state security. It was in fact that the regime wanted to prevent the Lao people from knowing the dark side of the Lao communist party.

We appeal to ASEAN communities:

- 1- Further development assistance to Lao PDR should be linked to political reforms;
- 2- That the ASEAN Council demands the adherence of Human Rights by the Lao PDR and that all prisoner of conscience must be released immediately and unconditionally;
- 3- Call upon ASEAN to completely ban on manufacturing and trafficking methamphetamine;
- 4- Call upon ASEAN to halt of all forms of human trafficking that destroyed the future of young man and women for good.

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