INFO UPDATES ON ASEANTOM

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GENERAL

- ASEANTOM was established in 2012.
- Objectives. The objective of ASEANTOM is to enhance regulatory activities and further strengthen nuclear safety, security and safeguards within the ASEAN Community.
- ASEANTOM will also support and contribute to the purpose of ASEAN in preserving South East Asia Treaty on the Nuclear Weapon-Free Zone (SEANWFZ).
- Membership. Member of ASEANTOM consists of Regulatory Bodies and Relevant Authorities of ASEAN countries



SCOPE OF NETWORK (1)

- ASEANTOM will focus on cooperation of regulatory bodies and relevant authorities amongst the ASEAN Member States, on a consensual basis, on the following:
 - Sharing of best practices and exchange of experiences in regulating nuclear and radioactive materials and related activities, with regard to safety, security and safeguards;
 - Capacity building by focusing on human resources development through training courses and technical collaboration;
 - Assisting ASEAN Member States to implement their relevant commitments to the IAEA standards and guidelines;



SCOPE OF NETWORK (2)

- Mutual exchange of information as confidence building measures on nuclear activities in each country to promote transparency in safe, secure, and peaceful uses of nuclear energy within the region;
- o **Forging regional cooperation** in the areas of, but not limited to, nuclear emergency preparedness and response, environmental radiation monitoring, and nuclear security, including, nuclear forensics, and measures to combat illicit trafficking, unauthorized transfer of nuclear and radioactive materials, and the return of recovered materials to the country of origin.



2nd ANNUAL MEETING

- Venue : Chiang Mai, Thailand,
- o Dates: 25-27 August 2014
- Topics discussed:
 - Status of ASEANTOM
 - Action Plan 2015
 - Chairmanship of ASEANTOM



MEETING RESULTS (1)

STATUS OF ASEANTOM

- Importance of ASEANTOM as a body under ASEAN was agreed. It is intended to make easy communication, coordination and cooperation with other int' organisation.
- One of uniqueness of ASEANTOM is that it cover 3S (Safety, Security and Safeguards).
- Since, ASEANTOM covers:
 - the nuclear safety, (part of pillar of Economy in Energy Sector),
 - role to control nuclear energy for peaceful purpose only (part of the Political Pillar),

then ASEANTOM should be under both two pillars (Economy and Politics).



MEETING RESULTS (2)

ACTION PLAN 2015

- Implementation of Action Plan in 2013 reported.
- Action Plan 2014-2015 reviewed and approved:
 - 6 activities planned in 2014 (incl. 2nd Annual Meeting)
 - 7 activities planned in 2015 (incl. 3rd Annual Meeting)
 Most of the planned activities are dealing with the nuclear safety and security, but no one is dealing with the safeguards yet.



MEETING RESULTS (3)

CHAIRMANSHIP

- The period of the chairmanship of ASEANTOM is 1 year.
- The 2nd Annual Meeting agreed that Malaysia will be the next Chair of ASEANTOM during 2015.
- Pending approvals from higher authorities. In due time,
 Malaysia will inform to the current chairman.
- ASEANTOM will acknowledge this issue to the leader of all ASEAN MS through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

POTENTIAL COOPERATION?

- Capacity Building (in safeguards)? → making arrangement?

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Thank you for your attention