

THE AUDIT BOARD OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

SPEECH OF THE CHAIRMAN OF ASEANSAI IN THE OPENING OF THE ASEANSAI COMMITTEE MEETING 9 February - 11 February 2012 KOTA KINABALU, MALAYSIA

Your Excellency, Pengiran Hj. Abdul Rahman bin Pengiran Hj. Mat Saleh, Auditor General of Brunei Darussalam, Vice Chairman of ASEANSAI,

Your Excellency, Tan Sri Dato' Setia Hj. Ambrin bin Buang, Auditor General of Malaysia, the host of the meeting,

Your Excellencies, Officials of the Sabah State Government,
Honorable Heads and Members of ASEANSAI Committees,
Ladies and gentlemen,

Assalamu'alaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh,

Peace be upon us,

Good morning, selamat pagi,

Let us thank God the Almighty for giving us the opportunity to gather here today in Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia for the ASEANSAI Committee Meeting.

Respected Delegates,

In this precious occasion, please allow me to express my highest appreciation to the Auditor General of Malaysia, **Tan Sri Dato' Setia Hj. Ambrin bin Buang** for his generosity to be the host of the important meeting of the ASEANSAI Committee in this beautiful city.

I would also like to convey my sincere gratitude to all members of ASEANSAI for their strong motivation and effort, to attend the committee meeting, to discuss the term of reference (TOR) and work plan of the committees.

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen,

If I may recall, after the Agreement of the Establishment of ASEANSAI was signed in Bali, the ASEANSAI held its First Assembly on November 16, 2011. The results of the First Assembly were the establishment of four Committees which were the Committees of Strategic Planning, Rules and Procedures, Knowledge Sharing, and Training, as well as the appointment of the Head of Secretariat.

When the ASEANSAI was established, we were committed that the establishment of the ASEANSAI was not meant to be just a ceremonial event but it must also be followed with concrete steps to achieve the objectives of its establishment. In view of this, I am very pleased and would like to express my gratitude for the idea from Tan Sri and other heads of Committees to hold the Committee Meeting.

Respected Delegates,

As a follow up of the First ASEANSAI Assembly, the Executive Committee has conducted a meeting at the Jabatan Audit Brunei Darusalam, on January 26, 2012 to agree on the work plan of Executive Committee and Secretariat of ASEANSAI. The meeting also agreed that during the ASOSAI Assembly in Jaipur, India, ASEANSAI will meet to endorse the TOR and work plan of the committees.

Therefore, in my view, the committee meeting in Kota Kinabalu is important and relevant to materialize the plan.

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen

The objective of this committee meeting is to discuss and finalize the TOR and the work plan of all ASEANSAI committees to guide the implementation activities of ASEANSAI for the next two years. So, after the next two years, ASEANSAI activities will be planned based on the ASEANSAI Strategic Plan, which will be endorsed at the next Assembly in 2013 in Brunei Darussalam.

In regard to the development of the TOR and Work Plan, there are some issues that require our attention concerning harmonization.

First, the ASEANSAI Strategic Plan which will be endorsed in the next Assembly in Brunei Darussalam in 2013, is a basic document for the development of ASEANSAI. Therefore, in developing the Strategic Plan, the activities of all committees in the work plans will be included in the Strategic Plan of ASEANSAI.

Second, as we know, all SAIs are very busy to conduct their duties in their respective countries. So, in planning the ASEANSAI activities, we need to be as efficient and effective as possible.

Third, in relation to the development of terms of reference, the committees should first agree on the attributes of the TOR. And, finally, coordination between the committees and the secretariat of ASEANSAI is highly required in order to support the implementation of the activities.

I do hope that the committees can coordinate and synergize to formulate harmonious TOR and work plan in order to build capacity and promote cooperation among all Members of ASEANSAI.

Distinguished Ladies and gentlemen,

As I mentioned, this Kota Kinabalu meeting is a strategic milestone for ASEANSAI to

define the direction and policy of the committees in planning its future continuity.

Our hope as the Executive Committee is that the TOR and the work plan can be

endorsed at the ASEANSAI Meeting during the ASOSAI Assembly in Jaipur, India. Due to the

tight schedule of the ASOSAI Assembly, the ASEANSAI meeting will be held on February 29,

2012, at 8.30 am to 9.30 am, just before the opening session of the ASOSAI Assembly.

Hopefully, all of our efforts will be blessed by Almighty God and let this be a good

moment to make a better future in order to promote good governance in the ASEAN region.

Distinguished Ladies and gentlemen,

Once again, we are grateful for the enthusiasm and commitment of all Members of

ASEANSAI especially Jabatan Audit Negara Malaysia and Jabatan Audit Brunei Darussalam

who have worked hand in hand to organize the committee meeting in Kota Kinabalu for the

success of the meeting. Please convey my kind regards to your respective Head of SAI.

Before I end my speech, please accept my sincere apology that I have to leave

earlier due to an event which requires my presence in Indonesia. I thank the Auditor

General of Brunei Darussalam as Vice Chairman of ASEANSAI who will represent the

Executive Committee in the meeting.

Finally, by saying Bismillahirrohmanirrohim, I declare the Committee Meeting in Kota

Kinabalu **officially open**. Thank you.

Wassalamu'alaikum Warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.

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