

ASEAN at the Centre

Global Partnerships

June 2005 – May 2006



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Republic of Korea (RoK)

- The ASEAN-RoK Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and ASEAN-RoK Agreement on Dispute Settlement Mechanism are signed, December 2005.
- ASEAN and the RoK adopt the Plan of Action to implement the 2004 Joint Declaration on Comprehensive Cooperation Partnership, December 2005.
- Progress is made in the on-going negotiations for the ASEAN-RoK FTA (which includes special treatment for products made at the Gaesong Industrial Complex in the DPRK).
- The ASEAN-RoK Joint Declaration for Cooperation to Combat International Terrorism is signed, July 2005.

Canada

- ASEAN and Canada agree to develop a Joint Cooperation Work Plan and consultations are on-going to establish formal economic links.
- The ASEAN-Canada Joint Declaration for Cooperation to Combat International Terrorism is being finalised for signing in 2006.

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

- The ASEAN-UNDP Partnership Facility (AUPF) continues to support analysis and dialogue on emerging issues relating to the deepening of regional integration with special attention given to the CLMV countries.

United States of America

- ASEAN and the US issue a Joint Vision Statement on the ASEAN-US Enhanced Partnership and a plan of action to implement the Joint Vision Statement is under development, November 2005.
- The ASEAN-US Trade and Investment Framework Agreement is being finalised for signing in 2006.

Japan

- Japan contributes about US\$ 70 million to the Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF) to support ASEAN integration efforts, March 2006.
- Under JAIF, Japan provides ASEAN with about US\$ 30 million worth of Tamiflu and protective equipment for stockpiling in Singapore to aid an early regional response to pandemic influenza, May 2006.
- Progress is made in the on-going negotiations for the ASEAN-Japan FTA.
- The "Cooperation towards Intra-ASEAN/ASEAN-Japan Economic Integration 2005" initiative is established to support efforts to narrow the development gap within ASEAN and deepen economic integration, September 2005.

China

- ASEAN and China celebrate the 15th Anniversary of dialogue relations and plan a commemorative summit for October 2006.
- Progress is made towards the full implementation of the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea.
- The Leaders of ASEAN and China endorse five additional priority areas of cooperation (energy, transport, culture, public health and tourism), December 2005.
- Progress is made in the on-going negotiations for the ASEAN-China FTA.

Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)

- The ASEAN and SCO secretariats are studying ways to implement their 2005 MOU.

New Zealand

- ASEAN and New Zealand celebrate the 30th anniversary of dialogue relations in 2005.
- The ASEAN-New Zealand Joint Declaration for Cooperation to Combat International Terrorism is signed, July 2005.
- New Zealand accedes to the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia, July 2005.
- Progress is made in the on-going negotiations for the ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand FTA.

Note:

The Secretary-General of ASEAN is an observer at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and the ASEAN Secretariat also participates in relevant activities of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM).

- ASEAN Dialogue Partner
- ASEAN Sectoral Dialogue Partner
- International/Regional Organisation