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Memorandum of NILIM Special Session

On March 14, 2003, the NILIM Special Session, titled "From the History, Today's Issues in Water Management," in Kyoto, Japan, discussed the following topics:

- Outlook and Thinking Changes in Chinese Flood Dispatching, by Mr. Li Kungang (China)
- Flood Control, Riverbank Erosion, River Works, Flood Forecasting and Warning System in Lao PDR, by Mr. Bounphet Phommachanh (Lao PDR)
- Water Management Issues in Sri Lanka, Lessons from the History, by Mr. H.M.K.S. Jayawardena (Sri Lanka)
- Flood Control in the Mekong Delta, by Mr. To Van Truong (Vietnam)
- Current Management of Water Resources in Indonesia, by Mr. Imam Anshori (Indonesia)
- Difficulties and New Directions of the National Water Resources Planning and Water Research Program in Korea, by Mr. Sung Kim (Korea)
- Water Resources Management in Malaysia, by Dr. Salmah Zakaria (Malaysia)
- Site Selection by Using Scoring Matrix in Mae Kuang Udomdhara Reservoir Inflow Augmentation Project, by Mr. Thanar Suwattana (Thailand)
- Sabo, Sediment Control Strategy in Indonesia, by Mr. Bambang Hargono (Indonesia)
- Water Resources of Nepal: Opportunities and Challenges, by Mr. Damodar Bhattarai (Nepal)
- Urgent Mitigation Works after Mt. Pinatubo Eruption, Philippines, by Ms. Rebecca T. Garsuta (Philippines)
- A Review of Water Rights in Japan, by Mr. Masahiko Murase (Japan)

Based on the discussions, the undersigned have recognized good opportunities and felt the necessity to establish a continuous network without being based on treaties or agreements among participants' nations. The network is to be established through an informal agreement rather than formal procedures, and will be maintained and enhanced through active and substantial discussions. The main activities of the network are information exchange in Asia-Pacific water resources management (including Sabo-erosion and sediment control) through Internet.

Japan will temporarily construct and maintain member's mailing list. If necessary, participating countries are supposed to hold workshops in the future under existing networks, such as APHW and/or IFNeT.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, have signed this memorandum: March 14, 2003

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