

Meeting Minutes

Subject: Meeting with H.E. Fernando Quirós, Ambassador of Peru

Date: 24 January 2018, 09.50 – 10.55

Venue: MFLF office

Participants:

1. H.E. Fernando Quirós, Ambassador of Peru
 2. Mr. César Recuenco, Deputy Chief of the Mission
 3. MR. Disnadda Diskul, Chairman of the Board, MFLF
 4. M.L. Dispanadda Diskul, CEO, MFLF
 5. Ms. Visit-orn Rajatanarvin, MFLF
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On January 24th, 2018, H.E. Fernando Quirós, Ambassador of Peru, accompanied by Mr. César Recuenco, Deputy Chief of the Mission (worked for Director of Drug Control for 2 years before working in Thailand), arrived at the MFLF office in Bangkok at 09.50 to meet 888 and 11 to discuss on cooperation between Peru and Thailand in the area of Alternative Development through MFLF and the National Commission for Development and Life without Drugs (DEVIDA).

H.E. Fernando Quirós began with expressing his impression on the work of the MFLF, then asked the MFLF to share experience and expertise on AD to help Peru. H.E. Fernando Quirós mentioned that despite San Martin miracle, Peru still suffers from drug problem. He believed that there are many areas that MFLF can share with Peru; for example, marketing and branding of products, off-farm and diverse livelihood opportunities such as tourism, handicraft, textile, mulberry paper (or other bamboo-related alternatives).

Then, H.E. Fernando Quirós invited 888 and 11 to Peru to give advice on AD and asked to bring experts and related persons from Peru to visit Doi Tung.

888 mentioned that he would like to visit Peru but insisted that H.E. Fernando Quirós and his family as well as Mr. César Recuenco should go to Doi Tung and afterward we can discuss what we can do together or what the MFLF can be of any help because seeing is believing and we don't know Peru as much as the Peruvian.

H.E. Fernando Quirós agreed to visit Doi Tung of 14th February – 18th February, 2018 with his family and Mr. César Recuenco.

Initial itinerary is

- 14th February 2018: H.E. Fernando Quirós arrives at Doi Tung in the evening
- 15th February 2018: full day study visit at the DTD

- 16th February 2018: discuss with ex-opium growers, traffickers, addicted and former arms trader in the morning of 16th February and meet 905 (tentatively) in the afternoon after the MFLF board meeting.
- 17th -18th February 2018: sightseeing in Chiang Rai (leisure)

Mr. César Recuenco will be the contact person on further arrangements

During this meeting, the need to trace back the origin of chemicals used to produce drugs is also discussed. H.E. Fernando Quirós shared the same view and mentioned that Peru is now tracking the DNA of cocaine. 888 encouraged Peru and Thailand to work together on the matter and stated his view that weapons and ammunitions should be controlled as he spoke clearly at the UNGA, and the users, not only producers, should be responsible too, in order to truly solve drug problems. H.E. Fernando Quirós shared his interest in the potential and benefits of this South-South cooperation and also shared his interest in trilateral cooperation between Peru, Thailand and Germany where he mentioned that Germany is one of the main contributors on AD in Peru.

To further explore trilateral cooperation between Peru, Thailand and Germany on AD, following actions are discussed.

- Organize a lunch or dinner meeting between Secretary General of the ONCB, H.E. Fernando Quirós, Ambassador of Germany and the MFLF at anywhere that is the common ground to all parties.
- Organize a meeting at the CND, Vienna, to discuss among Peru, Germany and Thailand on trilateral cooperation.
- H.E. Fernando Quirós will report about this meeting back to MFA of Peru and DEVIDA

Mr. César Recuenco will be the contact person on further details of the meetings

Lastly, 11 mentioned to H.E. Fernando Quirós the difference view of Thailand and Peru on implementation of AD. For Peru, AD comes after eradication, but Thailand allows for co-existing between narcotic crops/activities and alternative livelihoods and emphasizes community engagement as well as lead by example (never say eradication) to create positive response. H.E. Fernando Quirós expressed his gratitude for mentioning this point which H.E. will check with DEVIDA.

From this meeting, key actions that will happen soon are;

1. H.E. Fernando Quirós agreed to visit Doi Tung of 14th February – 18th February, 2018.
2. Exploring trilateral cooperation between Peru, Thailand and Germany on AD