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WORKSHOP MINUTES

DAY 1

1. The Western Pacific Naval Symposium (WPNS) Workshop 2015 was held at the Raffles and Fairmont Hotel, Makati City, Philippines, hosted by the Philippine Navy (PN) from 21-24 April 2015. The workshop was chaired by COMMO Jorge F Amba, Deputy Commander of the Philippine Fleet, Philippine Navy.

2. A full list of representatives is at **Enclosure 1**. The member navies not represented at the WPNS Workshop 2015 were Royal Cambodian Navy, Tongan Navy, and Mexican Navy.

Welcome Remarks and Opening Address

3. The Secretariat of the Workshop, CAPT Carlo V Lagasca, Director, Office of Naval Strategic Studies, gave a brief overview of the WPNS as an introduction.

4. The Chair introduced the speaker, Professor Raymund Jose G Quilop, Assistant Secretary for Strategic Assessment, Department of National Defense of the Philippines, to deliver the welcome remarks.

5. Assistant Secretary Quilop extended a warm welcome to the WPNS delegates. He noted the importance of WPNS as a platform for preparing and equipping navies to address various traditional and non-traditional maritime security concerns. As navies complement other maritime agencies through taking lead or supporting roles, the WPNS is recognized as one of the numerous mechanisms in establishing protocols of interaction between navies, but more importantly, which should be shared with as many stakeholders as possible.

6. CAPT Lagasca then invited the delegates and the guest speaker for a group photo.

7. After the group photo, the Chair officially declared the commencement of the WPNS Workshop 2015.

8. The Secretariat briefed the Workshop action items and the activities of Day One, which covers the review of previous Minutes, reports on Business Arising from the previous meeting, reports on the WPNS activities from 2014-2015, and confirmation of future activities.

9. The Secretariat invited the senior representatives to introduce their delegation.

10. The Chair delivered his opening address. He extended a warm welcome to the delegates, and elucidated the importance of the WPNS in promoting the convergence of interests in the globalized maritime domain.

Review of the 14th WPNS Minutes

11. The Secretariat invited SCAPT Yang Liang of the PLA-Navy to review the Minutes of the 14th WPNS.

12. SCAPT Yang (China) reviewed the Minutes of the 14th WPNS, held in Qingdao, China from 21-25 April 2014. He noted that the outcome of the symposium was substantial and productive. All member countries and observer countries were present. The PLA-Navy prepared various activities which greatly enhanced mutual trust and friendship. The action items achieved are as follows:

- a. The Pakistan Navy was unanimously accepted by the WPNS members as WPNS observer.
- b. The Code for Unplanned Encounters at Sea (CUES) was unanimously endorsed and approved by WPNS members.
- c. Reports of previous WPNS activities from 2012-2014, which include the 3rd International Maritime Security Conference (IMSC), 4th Maritime Information Sharing Exercise (MARISX), and the 4th WPNS Multilateral Sea Exercise (WMSX) by Singapore; WPNS-Senior Enlisted Leaders Working Group (SELWG) 2013 by Canada; Naval Medicine Seminar (NMS) 2013 by Chile; Exchange Initiative for Next Generation (EING) and Pacific Reach 2013 by Japan; and the 2014 Mine Countermeasures Exercise/Diving Exercise (MCMEX/DIVEX) by New Zealand.
- d. Confirmed WPNS activities, which include the Environmental Working Group (EWG) 2015 to be hosted by the Philippine Navy; WPNS SELWG 2014 hosted by Royal Malaysian Navy; WPNS Workshop 2015 hosted by the Philippine Navy; MCMEX/DIVEX 2015 co-hosted by Singapore and Indonesia; 5th MARISX and the 5th WMSX held during the 2015 International Maritime Defense Exhibition in Asia (IMDEX) in Singapore; WPNS Workshop 2016 and

the 15th WPNS Symposium to be hosted by Indonesian Navy; NMS 2016 to be hosted by the PLA-Navy; SELWG 2016 to be hosted by the Royal New Zealand Navy; MCMEX/DIVEX 2016 to be hosted by the United States; WPNS Workshop 2017 to be hosted by Chilean Navy; SELWG 2017 to be hosted by Papua New Guinea Defense Force; SELWG 2018 to be hosted by the US; MCMEX/DIVEX 2018 to be hosted by Royal Australian Navy; WPNS Workshop 2018 and 16th Symposium to be hosted by Republic of Korea Navy; WPNS Workshop 2019 to be hosted by Royal Brunei Navy; WPNS Workshop 2020 and 17th Symposium to be hosted by the Philippine Navy; WPNS Workshop 2021 to be hosted by Peruvian Navy; WPNS Workshop 2022 and 18th Symposium to be hosted by JMSDF; WPNS Workshop 2023 to be hosted by Royal Canadian Navy; and WPNS Workshop 2024 and 19th Symposium by PLA-Navy.

13. SCAPT Yang stated that the endorsement of CUES is a milestone in the WPNS history, and that the PLA-N has been actively implementing the CUES in its activities. ADM Wu Shengli, Commander of the PLA-Navy, promotes the study and use of the CUES as a tool to reduce miscalculation and further standardize the conduct of navies at sea through directives to the Staff. In this regard, PLA-N has been developing special training programs on the CUES to improve their capacity to use this particular mechanism.

14. SCAPT Yang concluded his presentation through expressing gratitude to all the members for their hard work in the 14th WPNS.

15. The Chair sought comments from the WPNS members. As no further changes were proposed, the Minutes was approved as read.

Decision: *The Minutes of the 14th WPNS was agreed upon.*

Business Arising from Previous Meetings

Junior Officer Interaction Program (JOIP) Terms of Reference

16. CAPT Farizal Myeor (Malaysia) presented the background, objectives and guiding principles of the proposed WPNS JOIP Terms of Reference. The JOIP aims to promote cooperation, serve as platform for exchanges, and sharing of information and experiences between member navies Junior Naval Officers (JNOs).

17. The seven (7) guiding principles of the TOR were:

- a. Completely voluntary and non-binding;
- b. Organized to achieve the objectives listed at Para 2 of the Terms of Reference;
- c. Host Navy will determine the theme and scope of topics;

- d. Activities are flexible and to be decided by the Host Navy;
- e. Each country will be represented by two (2) participating officers of the rank of LT or equivalent (O-3) with a good command of English;
- f. The program should not exceed three (3) days; and
- g. The Host Navy will bear the cost for accommodation, meals, in-country transportation, and the activities programmed.

18. The activities include presentations of national Navies; experiences and expertise sharing; practical training activities; field trips, cultural exchanges, and senior officer talks. CAPT Farizal Myeor concluded his presentation by saying that host countries are to report the conduct and achievements of the program during the following WPNS meetings.

19. The Chair sought comments and inputs from the delegation on the proposed concept of the WPNS JOIP.

20. CAPT Hiroyuki Habuchi (Japan) raised the point that the idea of the JOIP is good but that the Japan-hosted WPNS Short Term Exchange Program (STEP) operates under a similar framework. Thus, there is a need to discuss this further for clarifications. CAPT Farizal Myeor (Malaysia) addressed this through stressing that the difference of the JOIP from WPNS-STEP is that the former opens an opportunity for other countries to host the exchange.

21. CDR Frédéric Daumas (France) expressed his support to the concept of interaction between Junior Officers since the French Navy has not yet maximized the exchange of officers under the WPNS, and still have been doing bilateral exchanges. Due to the fact that they have only been doing bilateral exchanges, he raised that France will flag its bilateral invitations of young officers as WPNS action.

22. CAPT Jose Luis Cabrera Ramirez (Peru) then recommended that the sharing of experiences onboard should be part of the activities during the JOIP.

23. The Chair sought further comments from the WPNS members. As no other comments were raised, the Secretariat proposed that the JOIP Terms of Reference be discussed during the next workshop.

Decision: *The Junior Officer Interaction Terms of Reference dated as April 22nd 2015 proposed by Royal Malaysian Navy will be submitted to the WPNS Workshop 2016. (A-1)*

(Note: The decision reflected the clarifications made by the Chair.)

Standard Operating Procedures for Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Navy Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) Operations

24. CAPT Teddy Quinzon (The Philippines) presented the updates on the SOP for ASEAN Navy HADR Operations. As an introduction, he highlighted the susceptibility of the Philippines in natural disasters, such as in the aftermath of Typhoon Haiyan in 2013. This

catastrophe highlighted the importance of effective cooperation between navies in HADR. In order to set a standard operating procedure (SOP), the Philippines proposed a concept for a common protocol for HADR operations during the 7th ASEAN Navy Chiefs Meeting in 2013. The Philippine Navy then hosted the ASEAN Navy Workshop on common protocol on HADR held in Manila last February 2014. The draft SOP will be presented and submitted to the 9th ANCM in September 2015.

25. The Chair requested that the Philippine Navy continuously update the WPNS body on the developments of the SOP for ASEAN HADR Operations.

Code for Unplanned Encounters at Sea (CUES) Working Group Proposal

26. The proposal for the Working Group for the Code for Unplanned Encounters at Sea was presented by CDR Daumas (France). He expressed that after the long journey of approving the CUES, the work has only begun. He emphasized that the CUES should be responsive to ensure its relevance and significance. The CUES should be actively used by the member countries that endorsed and approved it. He commended the efforts of China, Japan, South Korea, and the US in implementing the CUES, and further stressed the need for wider dissemination since only a few navies are using it.

27. CDR Daumas also shared that, although the French Navy was ready to implement the CUES for any event which may arise, there were missed opportunities and no official use of the CUES. He further stressed that there was a need to spread the knowledge about it, especially for the young officers and the Commanding Officers at sea. Thus, the French Navy proposed the creation of a CUES Working Group that can establish a mechanism for amendment either thru the channel of a permanent internet address that will be approved during the Symposium.

28. It was further detailed that the would-be tasks of this Working Group include the establishment of list of users, gather examples on the use of the CUES and to help in the amendment cycle. The membership of this Working Group will be limited to 5 voluntary nations with tenure of 4 years with the rotation of the members every 2 years. The French Navy volunteered to be the first leader.

29. Lastly, CDR Daumas presented the possible timeline for the creation of the Working Group. The French Navy hopes that the confirmation for the establishment of the Working Group and the presentation of candidates for membership will be made during the WPNS Workshop 2016. By the commencement of the 15th Symposium, the details of the specific tasks and roles of the Working Group and confirmation of the candidate members will be approved. Or if the need arises, this all can be concluded during the next workshop.

30. The Chair sought comments and inputs from the body on the proposed concept of the CUES Working Group put forward by the French Navy.

31. CAPT Boulton (Australia) commented that the CUES was intended to establish a common structure for communications as a contribution to confidence building and expressed the Royal Australian Navy's support to this endeavor. Furthermore, he raised that there is a need to discuss and possibly create a Terms of Reference or Standard Operating Procedures on the use of CUES during the conduct of exercises.

Decision: *The CUES working group proposal of the French Navy will be forwarded for discussion during the next workshop in 2016. (A-2)*

Report on WPNS Activities 2014-2015

Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF) Exchange Initiative for Next Generation (EING): WPNS Short Term Exchange Program (WPNS-STEP)/ JMSDF Ship Rider 2014

32. CAPT Habuchi (Japan) presented the report on the JMSDF Exchange Initiative for Next Generation (EING). The EING focuses on the human network as the foundation of the multi-layered network of cooperation leading to peace and stability in the region. As the JMSDF intends to establish and expand the human network globally, especially for the next generation of officers, they continue the conduct of the two programs under the EING: the Ship Rider Program, and the WPNS Short Term Exchange Program.

33. The WPNS STEP 2014 was held from 15-25 October 2014, with 28 officers from 26 countries participating. CAPT Habuchi reported that the most notable outcomes of the program were promoting mutual understanding, building a human network, and the sharing of situational awareness in the maritime security domain.

34. CAPT Habuchi also discussed the plans for the next WPNS STEP, to be held in October 2015 at the JMSDF Staff College. The theme is yet to be announced, and will be listed in the invitation to be sent out by the JMSDF to each WPNS member-navy around June 2015.

35. The JMSDF Ship Rider Program 2014 had the objectives of obtaining basic knowledge and skills, deepening exchanges with JMSDF officer trainees, and establishing a human network. 24 officers from 22 countries participated in the program. CAPT Habuchi reported to the body the various positive remarks from the participants.

36. The plan for the next Ship Rider Program was subsequently presented. It will have two phases: Phase 1 will be from 31 August to 09 September 2015, from Valparaiso, Chile, to Callao in Peru. Phase 2 will be held from 27 September to 10 October, from Manzanillo, Mexico, to Hiro, Hawaii, USA. The training will be composed of ship-handling, firefighting, and celestial navigation. The invitations will be sent by the JMSDF to all WPNS members soon, and Japan is encouraging more active participation from the member-navies.

37. The Chair sought questions from the delegation and no questions were raised.

Conclusion: *The 2014 WPNS-STEP and the JMSDF Ship Rider programs were documented as completed. The outcome of the 2015 WPNS-STEP and Ship Rider Program will be reported in the next WPNS Workshop 2016 as “Report on WPNS Activities”. (A-3)*

38. The Chair made some clarifications on the proposed JOIP Terms of Reference. He took note of Japan’s comment that the TOR needs to be discussed further. Thus, the decision was to carry this item to next workshop as “Business Arising from WPNS Workshop 2015”. He asked the Secretariat to take note of this.

WPNS Senior Enlisted Leaders Working Group 2014

39. The next presentation was done by CAPT Farizal Myeor (Malaysia), who reported the conduct of the WPNS Senior Enlisted Leaders Working Group 2014 last 18-22 August 2014 with a theme “Innovation Towards Excellence”. The activity had a total of 44 participants from 15 WPNS countries.

40. In accordance with the abovementioned theme, the SELWG 2014 delegates presented a total of 10 paper presentations, which were as follows: Australia – New Generation Navy; Brunei - ASEAN Way to Combat Maritime Challenges and Maritime Security Cooperation in the Southeast Asia; Canada - Canadian Armed Forces: Professional Development System for NCO Members; Indonesia - The Indonesian Navy Towards a World Class Navy; Japan - Current Situation and the Future of SELs; Malaysia - SEL’s Team Building Training - RMN’s Model; New Zealand - Supporting Diversity in the New Zealand Defence Force; Peru - The Navy of Peru and Its Own Challenge; Singapore - Leadership Development in the Singapore Armed Forces, and the USA’s presentation on the Overview of the US Pacific Fleet.

41. There had been two syndicates during the activity. Syndicate 1 was about “Managing New Generation Sailors – SEL’s Innovative Approach, and Syndicate 2 was themed Achieving Organisational Excellence – SEL’s Contribution”.

42. There were four action items raised during the activity. First was that the RMN will gather all SELWG documents to be handed to WPNS POC during the WPNS Workshop 2016; second was the creation of a SELWG folder to be registered under the APAN website, and third was to suggest a clause inside the ToR which includes the necessity of proper record keeping by uploading it on the APAN website, so it is accessible by member countries. All three action items were considered done, and the fourth, which was for the members to explore and register future training opportunities in the next SELWG meeting, is considered ongoing.

43. Overall, the activity was successfully completed and was able to facilitate cooperation in expertise, technologies and various ideas for the future as participants shared their experiences and knowledge through networking between SELs. Further, syndicate discussion became a new approach to enhance information and knowledge sharing amongst the SELs.

44. The Chair sought comments and clarifications from the WPNS delegates. As there had been none, the activity was noted as completed.

Conclusion: *The WPNS SELWG 2014 was documented as completed.*

Multinationals Maritime Security Exercise (MNMSX) Report

45. CAPT Farizal Myeor (Malaysia) presented the outcomes of the MNMSX in conjunction with Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA) Sea Exercise. It was held in the Langkawi Naval Base and in the northern part of the Malacca Strait, with two separate phases – the Harbor Phase from 18-20 March, and the Sea Phase on 21 March 2015. There had been 19 warships from 12 participating Navies in LIMA '15.

46. Some observations presented by CAPT Farizal Myeor were that the OPSO and COMM discussions assisted in the smooth conduct of the exercise, that familiarization visits to both COIs at the harbor facilitate a clearer view and target info to Special Forces prior MIOPS, that the SOE was suitable considering the tight schedule of LIMA, and that full cooperation from all the participants ensured the successful conduct of the 1st MNMSX.

47. Recommendations for improvement identified during the presentation included the maintenance of events, phases and the duration of exercise for the next MNMSX; the conduct of familiarization visit to the COI by the Special Forces at the harbor prior the sea phase; the OPSO discussion prior the exercise was vital for the smooth conduct of the exercise, and that the MNMSX should be maintained and conducted as part of the LIMA.

48. As there were no comments and questions raised after the Chair sought comments and clarifications from the body, the activity was noted as completed.

Conclusion: *The MNMSX was documented as completed.*

Confirmation of WPNS Future Activities

Mine Counter Measures Exercise (MCMEX) 2015

49. MAJ Chien Loon Ivan Kwah (Singapore) presented the updates on the preparation for the upcoming MCMEX 2015. The exercise from 24 August to 6 September 2015 would be co-hosted by the Republic of Singapore Navy and the Indonesian Navy. The objectives of the exercise are: to exercise multinational HQ staff in combined planning and real-time coordination, to enhance interoperability, mutual understanding, co-operation and relationship among the WPNS navies through sharing and expanding MCM / AUV capabilities and strengthening interaction through MCM / AUV, and to build on the momentum of practical co-operation following the 5th WP MCMEX/DIVEX in 2014.

50. The initial planning conference (Singapore) was held in 25-27 March 2015, and the final planning conference will be held on 27-29 May 2015.

51. The exercise would have four phases: the Shore/Admin Phase; the Structured Phase, the Tactical Phase, and the Post Exercise Phase. 12 navies have so far responded on the details of their participation. The RSN requested that other participating forces provide them with details of the participation of their ships, Autonomous Underwater Vehicles and shore battle watch staff participating in the MCMEX 2015 and the participation of Senior Commanders in the MCMEX 2015 and planning staff attending the FPC.

52. The Chair asked for clarifications from the delegates. As there had been none, the activity was confirmed as a future activity of the WPNS.

Conclusion: *The MCMEX 2015 will be held on 24 August to 4 September 2015. This item will be carried on to the next workshop as “Report on WPNS Activities 2015-2016”. (A-4)*

5th Maritime Information-Sharing Exercise (MARISX)/5th Western Pacific Maritime Security Exercise (WMSX)

53. The next presentation by MAJ Kwah (Singapore) was on the updates on the MARISX 2015 and the 5th WMSX, to be hosted by the Republic of Singapore Navy from 18-22 May 2015.

54. The objectives of MARISX 2015 are to build capacity for information-sharing amongst participants and to enhance OPCEN-to-OPCEN linkages, while the 5th WMSX was to enhance mutual understanding and to promote inter-operability between WPNS navies in the conduct of maritime operations.

55. The broad exercise concept of MARISX was that it will be conducted ashore, comprised of Information-Sharing and Portal Training, Information-Sharing Exercise Play, Visit to the Maritime Port Authority’s Port Operations Control Centre and the Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia (ReCAAP) Information Sharing Centre (ISC).

56. Meanwhile, the 5th WMSX will have two phases. Phase 1 is the Shore Phase, which involves Exercise Planning, Mission Rehearsal at Shore Simulator, Boarding Training at Shore Trainer and Pre-Sail brief. Phase 2 is the Sea Phase, which will involve Maritime Surveillance Operations, Maritime Interdiction Operations, and Visit Board Search and Seizure (VBSS) Operations.

57. The Chair asked for clarifications from the delegates. As there had been none, the 5th MARISX and the 5th WMSX was confirmed as future activities of the WPNS.

Conclusion: *The 5th MARISX/5th WMSX will be held on 18-22 May 2015. This item will be carried on to the next workshop as “Report on WPNS Activities 2015-2016”. (A-5)*

WPNS Environmental Working Group (EWG) 2015

58. CAPT Reginald F Rapanan (The Philippines) delivered the next presentation on the details for the WPNS EWG 2015. It will be held in Manila on 22-23 July 2015, with a theme “The Navies: Proactive and Cooperative Institutions for Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Response (HADR) and Biodiversity Protection”.

59. The EWG objectives are to identify and discuss strategies for Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR); to identify and discuss naval operational strategies to protect marine biodiversity; to exchange information and enumerate possible interventions to pressing challenges in the conduct of HADR and in protecting marine biodiversity; and to specify possible areas of cooperation and initiatives among member-countries for further development and practice.

60. CAPT Rapanan presented the proposed lecture topics, which include World Conferences for Disaster Reduction: Frameworks for Actions; Best Practices, Challenges, and Recommendations in Cooperative HADR: The Haiyan Experience; The Results of the Philippine-Vietnam Joint Oceanographic and Marine Scientific Research Expeditions, and Maritime Security: Naval Interventions Against Threats to Marine Biodiversity.

61. In relation to the abovementioned agenda, he invited subject-matter experts on the proposed topics and welcomed the interested parties to coordinate with the Philippine Navy.

62. As there were no clarifications or queries from the delegates, the chairman instructed the Secretariat to mark the activity as confirmed.

Conclusion: *The WPNS EWG will be held on 22-23 July 2015. This item will be carried on to the next workshop as “Report on WPNS Activities 2015-2016”. (A-6)*

15th WPNS and Workshop 2016

63. The next presentation was done by CAPT Bambang Irwanto (Indonesia), which was on the concept for the 15th WPNS and Workshop 2016. The theme will be “Maritime Partnership for Stability in the Western Pacific Region”. The Workshop will be held in Jakarta in January 2016 and the Symposium in Padang on April 2016.

Conclusion: *The WPNS Workshop 2016 will be held in Jakarta on January 2016 and 15th Symposium will held in Padang on April 2016 as planned.*

Senior Enlisted Leaders Working Group (SELWG) 2016

64. CDR Woodhead (New Zealand) presented on the concept of the SELWG 2016. It will be held in Auckland, New Zealand from 14-17 November 2016, in conjunction with the 75th Anniversary of the Royal New Zealand Navy.

65. The Chair asked if the delegates had any questions or clarifications, and there were none.

Conclusion: *The SELWG 2016 will be held on 14-17 November 2016. This item will be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”. (A-7)*

Naval Medicine Seminar 2016

66. The next presentation was on the concept and proposed program for the Naval Medicine Seminar to be held in September 2016 in China, done by CDR Wang Zhi Hui (China). Under the first theme of “diving and aviation medicine”, the topics are medical support for saturation diving; mental stress among the pilots of ship-carried helicopters, medical organization of medical support for the pilots of ship-based aircrafts.

67. Under the second theme, “health protection and health service for all hands”, topics include the human factor in naval vessels; man-machine-environment in naval vessels; the diagnosis and treatment of diseases usually seen in fleet forces; medical function of sickbay in surface ships, and medical support for long-distance navigation at sea.

68. The third theme, “health service for operations other than war”, some of the topics to be discussed include first aid for disasters at sea, humanitarian medical relief of hospital ship, and medical practice both afloat and ashore for emergency.

69. The Chair asked if the delegates had any questions or clarifications regarding the presentation of the PLA-N, there were none.

Conclusion: *The Naval Medicine Seminar 2016 will be held on 22 September 2016. This item will be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities.” (A-8)*

70. Subsequently, the Chair sought the confirmation from the WPNS delegates on the WPNS future activities.

WPNS Workshop 2017 (Chile)

71. Chile confirmed to host the WPNS Workshop 2017. Details will be provided in the future.

Action Items: *This item is to be carried on to the future workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”. (A-9)*

WPNS Workshop 2018 and 16th Symposium (Republic of Korea)

72. ROK confirmed to host the WPNS Workshop 2018 and 16th Symposium. Details will be provided in the future.

Action Items: *This item is to be carried on to the future workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”. (A-10 & A-11)*

WPNS Workshop 2019 (Brunei)

73. Brunei confirmed to host the WPNS Workshop 2019. Details will be provided in the future.

Action Items: *This item is to be carried on to the future workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”. (A-12)*

WPNS Workshop 2020 and 17th Symposium (Philippines and Brunei)

74. The Philippines confirmed the WPNS Workshop 2020 and 17th Symposium. Details will be provided in the future.

Action Items: *This item is to be carried on to the future workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”. (A-13 & A-14)*

WPNS Workshop 2021 (Peru)

75. Peru confirmed to host the WPNS Workshop 2021. Details will be provided in the future.

Action Items: *This item is to be carried on to the future workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”. (A-15)*

WPNS Workshop 2022 and 18th Symposium (Japan)

76. Japan confirmed to host the WPNS Workshop 2022 and 18th Symposium. Details will be provided in the future.

Action Items: *This item is to be carried on to the future workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”. (A-16 & A-17)*

WPNS Workshop 2023 (Canada)

77. Canada confirmed to host the WPNS Workshop 2023. Details will be provided in the future.

Action Items: *This item is to be carried on to the future workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”. (A-18)*

WPNS Workshop 2024 and 19th Symposium (China)

78. China confirmed to host the WPNS Workshop 2024 and 19th Symposium. Details will be provided in the future.

Action Items: *This item is to be carried on to the future workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”. (A-19 & A-20)*

79. The Secretariat presented the Summary of the Key Decisions for Day One.

80. The Chair sought comments and corrections. China raised the correction on the schedule of NMS, which will be held on 22 September 2016 instead.

DAY 2

81. The Chair welcomed the participants back and requested the Secretariat to review the draft of Minutes of Day One of the workshop. The Secretariat requested the delegation to review the draft Minutes and make comments and corrections. The Secretariat then briefed the agenda for this day which covers, the presentations on WPNS Disaster Response Operations Guide, update on Indian Ocean Naval Symposium, Briefing on Air Asia flight QZ8501 search and rescue operation, 2nd Multilateral Naval Exercise KOMODO, International Maritime Security Symposium 2015, International Fleet Review 2017, use of CUES by National Coastguards and the application of Colombian Navy as WPNS observer.

82. The Secretariat reviewed the minutes of the first day. All corrections and clarifications that were raised was duly noted by the Secretariat, as reflected in this document.

83. The Chair sought further comments on the proposal on the creation of CUES Working Group from the WPNS members.

84. SCAPT Xiao Feng Ren (China) commented that there is little experience in the implementation of the CUES and while he recognized the right to propose the creation of a Working Group, the decision for the approval still needs to be done during the Symposium.

85. CDR Thompson (Canada) commented that it is too early to amend the document and there is a need for a practical use of the CUES. Further, it is a slow process of dissemination and education to naval officers on how to use the CUES. He supported the points raised by China but he also supported the creation of a Working Group. However, this needs to be managed secretarially thru the APAN Website.

86. CDR Daumas (France) proposed to all WPNS navies to include a training serial about CUES in each bilateral PASSEX.

87. CDR Woodhead (New Zealand) commented that it is indeed too soon to talk about amendments to the CUES. He instead presented that documentations on the practical use of the CUES should be presented during the next workshop as well as the presentation of the French Navy's concept on the creation of a Working Group.

88. No further comments were raised. This item will still be carried on to the next workshop as "Business Arising from WPNS Workshop 2015".

Topic Exchange

Presentation on WPNS Disaster Response Operations Guide (DROG)

89. LCDR Rowena Gaffney (Australia) presented the Disaster Response Operations Guide. This document was developed in 2011, and endorsed by WPNS 2012. She described the review and re-write process of the document, in order for the document to be easy to read, and for it to contain all the useful information for a Navy ship Commander and crew.

90. LCDR Gaffney also presented about the contents of the Draft DROG version 2.0, and elucidated on the significant additions and revisions made to the document.

91. LCDR Gaffney also proposed a Way Ahead for the DROG, and welcomed comments from the delegates, either to be shared to the current workshop, or to be forwarded by email. She shared that the Royal Canadian Navy has already given significant comments for addition to the Annexes of the document. Also, it was proposed to have the revised draft tabled at 2016 Workshop for consultation, and for the final draft tabled at 2016 Symposium for endorsement.

92. No questions, comments and issues were raised by the WPNS members on the draft guide.

Decision: *This item will be carried on to the next workshop as "Business Arising from WPNS Workshop 2015". (A-21)*

Presentation on Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS)

93. CAPT Boulton (Australia) presented an update on the outcomes of the Indian Ocean Naval Symposium. The Charter was endorsed on 28 March 2014. The membership of IONS is broader than the WPNS as it can involve a 'maritime agency' such as the coast guard, and marine police force or enforcement agency.

94. CAPT Boulton also updated the body about the IONS Preparatory Workshop to be hosted by Pakistan in September 2015, in preparation for the 2016 Conclave of Chiefs to be held in Bangladesh. Further, as the IONS has established three Working Groups: for HADR, for Counter Piracy, and for Information Sharing and Interoperability, CAPT Boulton discussed the composition of each Working Group and their proposed areas of cooperation. Lastly, updates on the future activities of IONS were delivered.

95. There were no questions or comments regarding the updates of IONS from the WPNS members.

Presentation on Air Asia (QZ 8501) Search and Rescue (SAR)

96. CDR Tony Herdijanto (Indonesia) delivered a presentation on the cooperation and collaboration during the search and rescue for Air Asia Flight QZ 8501, and briefed the WPNS body on their national and international efforts during the SAR operations.

97. CDR Herdijanto shared that the key strategic factors in the search and rescue operations are the command and control, proper interoperability among the tri-services and agencies, chain of command, and international cooperation. He also shared the complexities that they encountered during the SAR operations, which are the following: its nature as multi-national, multi-agency operations; balancing national requirements; conducting operations in a dynamic environment; the critical factor of establishing C2 elements; the factors that affect the deployment of assets (flexibility of combat support group, availability of a Forward Operating Base, and fuel availability); the coordination of planning and execution, communications; the range of search area, and media engagement.

98. Points that need to be sustained in similar activities were also raised, such as the need to maintain naval exercises on HADR and SAR; understanding a common protocol for such operations, and flexibility in logistics support. Further, CDR Herdijanto stressed the need for cooperation and collaboration as no one nation or Navy can do such operation on their own.

99. As a last point, Indonesia raised possible opportunities for the WPNS, such as strategic policy maker connectivity; tactical and operational connectivity, logistic support interoperability in order to sustain naval efforts in HADR/SAR operations, and the management of public information release.

100. No comments and discussions were further solicited from the WPNS members after the presentation.

Presentation on International Maritime Security Symposium (IMSS) 2015

101. CDR Herdijanto (Indonesia) also presented the concept of the 2nd International Maritime Security Symposium 2015, a biennial international defense engagement hosted by Indonesia. The theme of the IMSS 2015 is “Maritime Confidence Building and Mutual

Cooperation for Peace and Security”. The IMSS 2015 will be held from 16-17 September 2015 in Jakarta, and participants from 41 countries will be invited.

Presentation on 2nd Multilateral Naval Exercise Komodo

102. The next presentation by CDR Herdijanto (Indonesia) was on the concept of the MN Exercise Komodo 2016, which will be held back to back with International Fleet Review (IFR) 2016 and 15th WPNS Symposium 2016. MN Exercise Komodo 2016 has a theme “Maritime Peacekeeping Operation” to be held in Padang, West Sumatera on April 2016. The participants in this event include the members of the ASEAN, ADMM Plus, WPNS, IONS and other Dialogue Partners.

Presentation on International Fleet Review 2017

103. CAPT Rapeepon Komutdaeng (Thailand) delivered a presentation on the International Fleet Review 2017 and also presented the outcomes of the 8th ASEAN Navy Chiefs Meeting (ANCM) in 2014 through a video presentation and a brief discussion on the details of the events.

Presentation on Use of CUES by National Coastguards

104. Mr. Kevin Johnson, representative from US Pacific Fleet presented the proposal on the Use of CUES by National Coast Guards. The US Navy proposes that CUES be broadened to include other maritime enforcement agencies, such as Coast Guards, belonging to WPNS Nations.

105. The Chair sought comments from the WPNS members regarding this proposal.

106. SCAPT Xiao Feng Ren (China) recognized that the use of CUES is important, but the WPNS organization is exclusive for member-navies only. As for other maritime agencies, it is the member navies that shall recommend or endorse to their respective governments instead with regard to the use of CUES by their maritime agencies.

107. CAPT Marcos (Chile) raised that their Coast Guard is part of their Navy, hence it is not an issue for Chile.

108. CAPT Rommel Ong (the Philippines) supports the proposal of the US. He noted that he appreciated the comments of other WPNS members, and emphasized that in the spirit of the crafting of the CUES, it is non-binding. Thus, the navies can coordinate with their respective coast guards regarding this matter.

109. The Chair recognized all the comments and suggestions, and requested the Secretariat to take note and carry over the proposal to the next workshop.

Decision: *This item will be carried on to the next workshop as “Business Arising from WPNS Workshop 2015”. (A-22)*

Presentation on Improved Co-ordination for Crisis Response

110. Mr. Johnson (USA) also delivered a presentation on the proposal for improved co-ordination for crisis response. The objectives of this are: to formulate an initiative/mechanism which allows improved multinational maritime cooperation at sea; to make maritime forces prepared and able to work together for common aims when required; and to have the preparation and capability shaped by the aims of the mechanism.

111. The proposed mechanism shall improve multinational maritime cooperation for common aims. The common aims are Humanitarian Assistance/Disaster Relief, Search and Rescue, and/or Maritime Security, and Peacekeeping. The characteristics of this mechanism put to fore are: the common aims for improved co-operation could be a standing agenda item for regional security organizations such as WPNS and ASEAN; it can work alongside/ with existing initiatives (e.g. Fusion Center in Changi, Indonesia International Center); does not have PACFLT/ US lead; and that PACFLT supports any initiative or mechanism which would improve multinational maritime co-operation for common aims.

112. There were no questions raised, so the proposal will be tabled as matters arising for the next workshop.

Decision: *This item will be carried on to the next workshop as “Business Arising from WPNS Workshop 2015”. (A-23)*

Application of Colombian Navy as WPNS Observer

113. The Secretariat stated before the body that the Colombian Navy is applying for Observer Status in the WPNS, and invited their representative to present before the body the merits of their interest in joining the WPNS.

114. CAPT Alberto Godoy from the Colombian Navy delivered the presentation, highlighting that their interest in joining the WPNS is based on who, what and where they are in the geopolitical context, which is not much different to Western Pacific countries. He shared about the history, organization, experiences, and potential contribution of the Colombian Navy to the WPNS.

115. They are aiming at three projections: first, he characterized the Colombian Navy as a “bilingual” navy, which can share information on the tactical and operational level, both with small-sized and big-sized navies. Second, as part of their cooperation to promote regional integration, they have actively participated in various maritime security operations (on-call task forces) with other countries. Lastly, he presented facts about the growing Colombian naval industry and how they can export their technology to other countries who may be interested.

116. To conclude, CAPT Godoy delivered a remark inspired by Martin Luther King's concept of mutuality – that “whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly”. He highlighted that in this kind of “inescapable network”, they are a Navy with an important amount of experience to share, and that their application to join the WPNS is a rational and logical step for their navy to improve their knowledge to share with other navies.

117. After CAPT Godoy's presentation, the Chair excused the Colombian Navy representatives so the WPNS members can decide in consensus if they will forward their application as WPNS observer.

118. CAPT Marcos (Chile) expressed his full support for the Colombian Navy's application for observer, adding that the Chilean Navy and Colombian Navy were very close. He highlighted the Colombian Navy's commitment on dealing with maritime security conditions at sea, and that these experiences can be shared in the WPNS as valuable information for all members.

119. CAPT Cabrera (Peru) expressed his support for the inclusion of the Colombian Navy as an observer. He said that the Peruvian Navy is a witness to the professionalism and experience of the Colombian Navy in various exercises, and the Alliance of the Pacific created in 2011 by Mexico, Chile, Colombia and Peru is an initiative of regional integration. One of its main purposes is to become a platform of economic and commercial articulation, and a projection to the world with emphasis to the Asia-Pacific region. All of the countries of this alliance are member of WPNS except Colombia.

120. The Chair invited the body to express their support or objection to the application of the Colombian Navy as Observer to be forwarded to the 15th WPNS for approval.

121. CAPT Boulton (Australia) supports the application.

122. CAPT Rahaimi Haji Abdul Karim (Brunei) has no objection, and supports the application.

123. CDR Thompson (Canada) supports that this body forward the Colombian Navy's application to the 15th WPNS.

124. CAPT Marcos (Chile) expressed his support for the application.

125. SCAPT Xiao Feng Ren (China) supports the application as observer to be considered in the WPNS.

126. CDR Daumas (France) fully supports the Col Nav observer status application.

127. CAPT Irwanto (Indonesia) supports the application.

128. CAPT Habuchi (Japan) supports the application.
129. CAPT Farizal Myeor (Malaysia) supports the application.
130. CDR Woodhead (New Zealand) supports the application.
131. CMDR Thomas Ponjom (Papua New Guinea) supports the application.
132. CAPT Cabrera (Peru) supports the Colombian Navy's application for observer status.
133. CAPT Ong (the Philippines) supports the application.
134. CDR Young-hoon Oh (Republic of Korea) fully supports the application.
135. Mr. Dmitry Petrov (Russia) supports the application.
136. LTC See One Yeo (Singapore) supports the application.
137. CAPT Komutdaeng (Thailand) supports the application.
138. Mr. Johnson (United States) supports the application.
139. SR CAPT Thanh Nguyen Van (Vietnam) supports the application.
140. The Chair declared that the WPNS body unanimously supports the application of the Colombian Navy to be tabled for approval to the 15th WPNS Symposium in 2016.
141. RADM Andres Vasquez of the Colombian Navy expressed their gratitude for this opportunity. Colombian Navy understands their great responsibility in the Pacific and is grateful for having good neighbors. They once again affirmed that their navy has a good capacity to support the mission of WPNS.

Decision: *Colombian Navy's observer status application is unanimously supported by all WPNS member navies, and will be referred to the 15th WPNS Symposium for approval by principals, and Colombian Navy to be invited to attend the 15th WPNS Symposium. (A-24)*

142. The Secretariat presented the Summary of Key Actions for this Day.

Remarks of the next WPNS host (Indonesia)

143. CAPT Irwanto (Indonesia), as the next host, delivered the remarks for the next WPNS Workshop and 15th WPNS in 2016. The theme for the 15th WPNS is “Maritime Partnership for Stability in Western Pacific Region”. He formally announced that Indonesia is ready to host the next WPNS Workshop and 15th WPNS and is looking forward for the constructive participation of the WPNS members. Lastly, he expressed gratitude to the Philippine Navy for hosting the 2015 WPNS Workshop.

Signing of Minutes

144. The Secretariat then invited the Chair to sign the Minutes of WPNS Workshop 2015.

145. The Chair signed the Minutes of WPNS Workshop 2015 as witnessed by the WPNS Workshop 2015 delegates.

Closing Remarks

146. The Chair commended the delegates for a job well done for actively participating in the discussion as the member navies move together towards enhancing security in the region. He said that more than what they have accomplished, at the end of the day, it is cooperation and synergy that will build and sustain the peace and security in the region. The member navies must continuously work to prevent any issues from casting shadows in the effort to advance the collective interests in the region.

147. The Chair formally adjourned the WPNS Workshop 2015.



Chair
COMMO JORGE F AMBA AFP
Deputy Commander, Philippine Fleet
23 April 2015



Secretariat
CAPT CARLO V LAGASCA PN(GSC)
Director, Office of Naval Strategic Studies
23 April 2015








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**ENCLOSURE 1:
WPNS Workshop 2015 Personnel Attendance List**

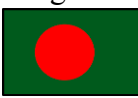
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	CDR ARSHAD MOHYUDIN	SO(L&P) HQ COMKAR
Applicant for Observer		
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	CDR ALBERTO GODOY	Commander, Caribbean Naval Aviation

ENCLOSURE 3
WPNS Workshop 2015 Programme

TIME	ACTIVITY	REMARKS
21 April 2015 (Tuesday)		
	Arrival of Delegates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Registration at Fairmont Hotel Lobby 	
1830H-2030H	Cocktail Reception <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Long Bar, Raffles Hotel ▪ Attire: Business Casual (Long Sleeves without tie) 	Host - Chairman, WPNS Workshop 2015

TIME	ACTIVITY	REMARKS
22 April 2015 (Wednesday)		
0830H	Registration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Attire: Navy Undress White 	Ballroom 2, Fairmont Hotel
0900H	Opening Ceremony	
	Message <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ASEC Raymund Jose G Quilop <i>Assistant Secretary for Strategic Assessment, Department of National Defense</i> 	
	Group Photo	
	Coffee/Tea Break	
0930H	Call to Order	
	Opening Remarks	Chairman, WPNS Workshop 2015
	Introduction of Delegates	
1000H	Review of Previous Minutes Western Pacific Naval Symposium 2014	China
	Business Arising from Previous Meeting	
1045H	Junior Officer Interaction Terms of Reference	Malaysia
	ASEAN Navy Common Protocol on HADR	Philippines
	CUES Working Group Proposal	France
1145H	Lunch	Spectrum Restaurant, Raffles Hotel
	Report on WPNS Activities (2014 – 2015)	
1330H	2014 JMSDF Shiprider Program/ Exchange Initiative for Next Generation (EING)/ Junior Officer Interaction (Concept of Hosting)	Japan
	WPNS Senior Enlisted Leaders Working Group 2014	Malaysia
	Lima Sea Exercise	Malaysia
1500H	Coffee/Tea Break	

Confirmation of Future Activities		
1515H	MCMEX 2015	Singapore/Indonesia
	5th MARISX/5th WMSX	Singapore
	WPNS Environmental Working Group 2015	Philippines
	15th WPNS and Workshop 2016	Indonesia
	SELWG 2016	New Zealand
	Naval Medicine Seminar 2016	China
1545H	Summary of Key Decisions and Action Items	Secretariat
1600H	Adjournment	
1830H-2030H	Official Dinner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ballroom 1, Fairmont Hotel ▪ Attire: Navy Undress White 	Host - Flag Officer in Command, Philippine Navy

TIME	ACTIVITY	REMARKS
23 April 2015 (Thursday)		
0900H	Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Attire: Navy Undress White 	Ballroom 2, Fairmont Hotel
	Review of Day 1 Proceedings	Secretariat
Discussion of Other Matters		
0915H	WPNS Disaster Response Operations Guide	Australia
	Update on Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS)	Australia
	Briefing on Air Asia Search and Rescue	Indonesia
	2nd Multilateral Naval Exercise Komodo	Indonesia
	International Maritime Security Symposium (IMSS) 2015	Indonesia
1000H	Coffee/Tea Break	
1015H	International Fleet Review 2017	Thailand
	Use of CUES by National Coast Guards and Consideration of a Standing Naval Force	USA
	Application of Colombian Navy as WPNS Observer	Colombia
1130H	Lunch	Spectrum Restaurant, Raffles Hotel
1330H	Summary of Action Items	Secretariat
	Remarks of Next WPNS Host	Indonesia
	Closing Remarks	Chairman, WPNS Workshop 2015
	Signing of the Minutes	
1500H	Adjournment	
	Executive Time	

TIME	ACTIVITY	REMARKS
24 April 2015 (Friday)		
	Departure of Delegates	

**ENCLOSURE 4:
WPNS Workshop 2015 Action Items**

Serial	Action Item	Decision	Nation/Venue	Timeframe
A1	Junior Officers Interaction Program Terms of Reference	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Business Arising from WPNS Workshop2015”	Malaysia	January 2016
A2	CUES Working Group Proposal	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Business Arising from WPNS Workshop 2015”	France	January 2016
A3	JSMDF EING: WPNS-STEP/JMSDF Shiprider Program 2015	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Report on WPNS Activities 2015-2016”	Japan	October 2015/ 31 August – 09 September 2015 (Phase 1), 27 September – 10 October (Phase 2)
A4	MCMEX 2015	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Report on WPNS Activities 2015-2016”	Singapore/Indonesia	24 Aug-04 Sept 2015
A5	5th MARISX/5th WMSX	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Report on WPNS Activities 2015-2016”	Singapore	18-22 May 2015
A6	WPNS Environmental Working Group 2015	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Report on WPNS Activities 2015-2016”	Philippines	22-23 Jul 2015
A7	SELWG 2016	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	New Zealand	14-17 Nov 2016
A8	Naval Medicine Seminar 2016	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	China	22 Sept 2016
A9	WPNS Workshop 2017	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Chile	TBC
A10	WPNS Workshop 2018	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Republic of Korea	TBC

A11	16 th Symposium	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Republic of Korea	TBC
A12	WPNS Workshop 2019	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Brunei	TBC
A13	WPNS Workshop 2020	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Brunei/Philippines	TBC
A14	17 th Symposium	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Brunei/Philippines	TBC
A15	WPNS Workshop 2021	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Peru	TBC
A16	WPNS Workshop 2022	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Japan	TBC
A17	18 th Symposium	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Japan	TBC
A18	WPNS Workshop 2023	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	Canada	TBC
A19	WPNS Workshop 2024	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	China	TBC
A20	19 th Symposium	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Confirmation of Future Activities”	China	TBC
A21	WPNS Disaster Response Operations Guide v2.0	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Business Arising from WPNS Workshop 2015”	Australia	January 2016
A22	Proposal on the Use of CUES by National Coast Guards	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Business Arising from WPNS Workshop 2015”	USA	January 2016
A23	Proposal for a WPNS Mechanism on Improved Coordination in Crisis Response	To be carried on to the next workshop as “Business Arising from WPNS Workshop 2015”	USA	January 2016
A24	Application of Colombian Navy as WPNS Observer	To be agreed upon by Chief of Navies during the 15 th Symposium	ALL	April 2016

ENCLOSURE 5
WPNS Future Activities 2015 - 2024

Year	Country	Activity	Date
2015	Philippines	WPNS Environmental Working Group	July 2015
	Singapore Indonesia	Mine Countermeasure Exercise (MCMEX) 2015	24 August – 04 September 2015
	Singapore	5th MARISX/5th WMSX	May 2015
2016	Indonesia	WPNS Workshop 2016 and 15 th Symposium	January 2016 (Workshop) April 2016 (Symposium)
	New Zealand	SELWG 2016	November 2016
	China	Naval Medicine Seminar 2016	September 2016
	USA	MCMEX/DIVEX 2016	TBC
2017	Chile	WPNS Workshop 2017	
	Papua New Guinea	SELWG 2017	
2018	USA	SELWG 2018	
	Australia	MCMEX/DIVEX 2018	
	Republic of Korea	WPNS Workshop 2018 and 16 th Symposium	
2019	Brunei	WPNS Workshop 2019	
2020	Philippines	WPNS Workshop 2020 and 17 th Symposium	
2021	Peru	WPNS Workshop 2021	
2022	Japan	WPNS Workshop 2022 and 18 th Symposium	
2023	Canada	WPNS Workshop 2023	
2024	China	WPNS Workshop 2024 and 19 th Symposium	

**ENCLOSURE 6:
WPNS Country Participation Table**

Event	Time	Host	AUS - Australia	BRU - Brunei	PRC - China	INA - Indonesia	MAL - Malaysia	NZ - New Zealand	PNG - Papua New Guinea	PHI - Philippines	SIN - Singapore	ROK - Korea	THA - Thailand	USA - USA	JPN - Japan	TON - Tonga	CAM - Cambodia	VTE - Vietnam	RUS - Russia	FRA - France	CAN - Canada	IND - India	CHI - Chile	BAN - Bangladesh	MEX - Mexico	PER - Peru	PAK - Pakistan
1st Symposium	1988/10	Australia	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x												
2nd Symposium	1990/11	Thailand	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	x	o	o	o												
1st Workshop	1992/02	Australia	o	x	x	x	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o												
3rd Symposium	1992/11	USA	o	o	x	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o												
2nd Workshop	1993/07	Singapore	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o												
3rd Workshop	1994/05	Malaysia	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	.											
4th Symposium	1994/11	Malaysia	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	.								
4th Workshop	1995/08	Indonesia	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	.		.						
5th Workshop	1996/06	Japan	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	.	.	.						
5th Symposium	1996/11	Japan	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	.	.						
6th Workshop	1997/09	Philippines	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	o	.	.						
7th Workshop	1998/04	Korea	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	.	.						
8th Workshop	1999/06	Singapore	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	x	o	.	.	.					
9th Workshop	2000/05	New Zealand	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	x	.	.	.					
7th Symposium	2000/11	New Zealand	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	.	.	.					
10th Workshop	2001/09	PNG	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	x	o	x	x	x	x	.	.	.	.
11th Workshop	2002/06	Japan	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	.	.	.	.
8th Symposium	2002/10	Japan	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	.	.	.	.
12th Workshop	2003/06	Thailand	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	.	.	.				

Event	Time	Host	AUS - Australia	BRU - Brunei	PRC - China	INA - Indonesia	MAL - Malaysia	NZ - New Zealand	PNG - Papua New Guinea	PHI - Philippines	SIN - Singapore	ROK - Korea	THA - Thailand	USA - USA	JPN - Japan	TON - Tonga	CAM - Cambodia	VTE - Vietnam	RUS - Russia	FRA - France	CAN - Canada	IND - India	CHI - Chile	BAN - Bangladesh	MEX - Mexico	PER - Peru	PAK - Pakistan
13th Workshop	2004/06	Singapore	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	o	x	o	.	.	.				
9th Symposium	2004/11	Singapore	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	o	o	.	.	.				
14th Workshop	2005/06	Indonesia	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	x	o	.	.	.	.
15th Workshop	2006/06	USA	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	o	.	.	.	x			
10th Symposium	2006/10	USA	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	o	o	o	.	.	.	x			
16th Workshop	2007/06	New Zealand	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	x	o	.	.	.	x	x	.	
17th Workshop	2008/06	Korea	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	x	o	.	.	.	x	x	.	
11th Symposium	2008/10	Korea	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	.	.	.	.	.	.
18th Workshop	2009/09	PNG	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	x	o	.	x	.	x	x	x	
19th Workshop	2010/06	Australia	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	x	o	.	.	.	x	x	.	
12th Symposium	2010/09	Australia	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	x	x	o	.	.	.	x	x	.	
20th Workshop	2011/05	France	o	x	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	o	x	o	o	.	o	x	x	.	
21st Workshop	2012/05	Malaysia	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	o	o	o	o	.	o	x	x	.	
13th Symposium	2012/09	Malaysia	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	.	o	x	x	o	
22nd Workshop	2013/05	Thailand	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	x	o	o	.	o	.	x	o	
23rd Workshop	2014/01	China	o	o	o	o	o	x	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	.	o	.	.	o	.
14th Symposium	2014/04	China	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	.	o	.	.	o	.
24th Workshop	2014/04	Philippines	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	x	x	o	o	o	o	.	o	.	x	o	.