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July 12, 2012

Honourable Mr Mogens Lykketoft,

It is our pleasure to extend an invitation for up to three members of your parliament to attend the Global Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption's (GOPAC) ***Fifth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption to be held in Manila, Philippines from January 31 to February 2, 2013.*** The conference is the joint initiative of the Senate of Philippines, GOPAC, the South East Asian Parliamentarians Against Corruption and the GOPAC National Chapter in the Philippines.

The conference promises to be our most successful to date, with GOPAC members and prospective members joining us from all over the world, along with international organizations and observers committed to the prevention of corruption. Once again, participants will have the opportunity to partake in thoughtful discussions and workshops aimed at ensuring they have the skills to combat corruption and providing them a platform to help others learn from their many successes.

This is a unique and innovative event with the sole agenda of fighting the scourge of corruption in each of our countries. Each Global Conference since our founding has enabled GOPAC to flourish and our network of dedicated parliamentarians to grow. Our first conference in Ottawa set the stage for GOPAC and brought together over 170 parliamentarians, 107-plus observers and parliamentary staff. The following year in Arusha we were able to set a concrete agenda for the organization. In 2008 in Kuwait City we adopted specific policy positions aligned to the UNCAC and asked members and chapters to review, domesticate and begin to implement corrective actions. Our last conference in Mexico was a platform to illustrate steps members have taken, strategise improved capacity building, and outline a key five-year plan for the organization.

The Senate of the Philippines is providing the venue, arranging for a streamlined process for obtaining visas to enter the Philippines, providing transportation within Manila and the formal conference meals. Conference participants and their sponsors must cover the cost of international travel and accommodation in Manila. Participants must register in advance but there is no registration fee.

As DENMARK has a chapter of GOPAC we would like to encourage you to include some of these members in your delegation at the event. In selecting participation from parliament, we ask that you consider balanced representation – inclusion of both governing and opposition parties and both men and women. Representation of your parliament at the conference will be seen as a strong gesture of your legislature's commitment to supporting GOPAC and fighting corruption.

For additional information about the ***Fifth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption*** or to have your delegates register for the event, please visit our conference website at <http://www.gopacmanila2013.com/>.

Your support is greatly appreciated and we look forward to the participation of your parliamentarians in this significant mobilization of parliamentarians for integrity in governance.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Al Sane', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

Dr. Naser Al Sane
Chair, Global Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption (GOPAC)