



The 10th General Meeting of the International Parliamentarians' Coalition for North Korean Refugees and Human Rights

1-3 August 2013
Warsaw, Poland

On behalf of the International Parliamentarians' Coalition for North Korean Refugees and Human Rights (IPCNR), it is a great honor to invite you to the 10th General Meeting of the IPCNR.

Members of parliament from around the world have joined and supported IPCNR, striving to promote and protect the human rights of North Koreans in alignment with the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

IPCNR has held its annual General Meeting since its founding in 2003. This year, the 10th General Meeting is scheduled to be held in **Warsaw, Poland** on **1-3 August 2013**.

While North Korea remains a serious security concern, the suffering of its people also demands immediate international attention. Food shortages, torture and inhumane treatment, restrictions on information, association and movement, and forced labor camps are all fragments of the horrific human rights situation in North Korea. This year, the topic of the General Meeting will be **"The role of international organizations in resolving the issue of North Korean human rights"**.

We sincerely hope that you will be able to join us and also *recommend* members of your parliament interested in issues related to Asia and human rights to participate in the General Meeting. Please confirm the name of the delegates who will be attending the conference by **June 15, 2013**.

We would be pleased to arrange and provide **accommodations for two nights** during the conference for **up to three to five** delegates representing each parliament. Kindly note that IPCNR will **NOT** be able to fund the airfare for any invitees.

Please see the attachments:

- 1) **Introduction to IPCNR** (1page)
- 2) **Registration Form** (1page)
- 3) **2013 IPCNR 10th General Meeting Program (Tentative)** (1page)

Sincerely Yours,

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- PROJECTS**
- Call on to enact North Korean Human Rights Act
 - Hold international conferences
 - Inquire NKHR situations
 - Support NKHR NGOs
 - Form international network

The International Parliamentarians' Coalition for North Korean Refugees and Human Rights (IPCNKR) was established in 2003 for the purpose of promoting and protecting the human rights of North Korean refugees in alignment with the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Members of the parliamentarians around the world have joined and supported IPCNKR.

HISTORY

Beginning with its 2003 founding General Meeting in Seoul, IPCNKR has held annual general meeting.

<u>April.2003</u>	IPCNKR Founding Meeting (hosted by S. Korea) (31 representatives from Korea, Japan, Mongolia, USA and UK)
<u>Dec. 2004</u>	Regional Conference (hosted by S. Korea) (11 representatives from Korea, Japan, Mongolia and Thailand)
<u>Aug. 2005</u>	2 nd IPCNKR General Meeting (hosted by Japan) (45 representatives from Korea, Japan, Mongolia and USA)
<u>Aug. 2006</u>	3 rd IPCNKR General Meeting (hosted by Mongolia) (29 representatives from Korea, Japan, Mongolia, UK, Burundi, Angola)
<u>Aug. 2007</u>	4 th IPCNKR General Meeting (hosted by S. Korea) (56 representatives from Korea, Japan, Mongolia, USA, Austria, Burundi, Canada, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Cote d'Ivoire, EU and Poland)
<u>Oct. 2008</u>	5 th IPCNKR General Meeting (hosted by S. Korea) (36 representatives from Korea, Japan, Mongolia, Burundi, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Cambodia, Paraguay, Panama and Senegal)
<u>Nov. 2009</u>	6 th IPCNKR General Meeting (hosted by S. Korea and Thailand) (25 representatives from Korea, Japan, Mongolia, Cote d'Ivoire, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Cambodia, Afghanistan, Croatia, Djibouti and Thailand)
<u>Aug. 2010</u>	7 th IPCNKR General Meeting (hosted by Canada and S. Korea) (25 representatives from Korea, Japan, Canada, USA, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Palau, El Salvador, Morocco, Paraguay, Poland)
<u>Nov. 2011</u>	8 th IPCNKR General Meeting (hosted by USA and S. Korea) (17 representatives from Korea, Japan, Canada, USA, Mongolia, Poland, UK, Cameroon)
<u>Jun. 2012</u>	9 th IPCNKR General Meeting (hosted by S. Korea) (24 representatives from Korea, Japan, Poland, Philippines, Afghanistan, Bahrain, Peru, El Salvador, Micronesia, Sao Tome and Principe)

10th General Meeting of IPCNKR PROGRAM *(Tentative)*

1. Theme: **“The role of international organizations in resolving the issue of North Korean human rights”**
2. Date: 1 – 3 August 2013
3. Venue: Warsaw, Poland
4. Participants
 - MPs of sovereign states interested in North Korean human rights issues
 - Human rights bodies under the United Nations and representatives of human rights advocacy groups and NGOs
5. Languages and Interpretation:
 - The official language is English.
 - Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, Korean, Japanese, and Polish.

DAY	TIME	PROGRAM
Day 1	15:00-19:00	▪ Registration
	19:00-21:00	▪ Welcome Dinner
Day 2	07:00-08:30	▪ Breakfast
	09:00-09:50	▪ Opening Ceremony
	09:50-10:00	▪ Coffee Break
	10:00-10:50	▪ Plenary Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adoption of Agenda - Admission of New Members ▪ Documentary Film on North Korean human rights
	11:00-12:00	▪ Session I: European experiences in resolving human rights issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation by three or four speakers
	12:00-13:00	▪ Luncheon
	13:10-14:20	▪ Session II: The realities of North Korean human rights under the Kim Jong-un regime <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation by three or four speakers
	14:20-14:30	▪ Coffee Break
	14:30-15:40	▪ Session III: Efforts of the international community in resolving the issue of abduction by North Korea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation by three or four speakers
	15:40-15:50	▪ Coffee Break
	15:50-16:30	▪ Free Discussion ▪ Review of Joint Statement
	16:30-17:00	▪ Closing Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adoption of Joint Statement - Decision on the 11th General Meeting (Venue, Month, Agenda) - Closing Remarks
	Day 3	09:30-14:00