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Press Release

“Asia Pacific Ambassadors attended a lunch meeting hosted by Foreign Minister Albares in Barcelona”

Madrid, Spain - The Asia-Pacific region’s Ambassadors, gathers in deep appreciation for His Excellency Mr. Jose Manuel Albares, Minister of Foreign Affairs, the European Union, and Cooperation, for organizing this luncheon in casa Asia, Barcelona on 3rd May 2024.

In her speech on the occasion, the Dean of the Asia-Pacific Ambassadors in Spain, Her Excellency Dr. Sarmila Parajuli Dhakal, expressed gratitude for Minister Albares’ readiness to engage in dialogue, demonstrating his commitment to fostering diplomatic ties. Under his leadership, we recognize the diligent efforts of his Ministry in advancing diplomatic relations, and we value the attention given to our embassies. The diversity and importance of the Asia-Pacific region are undeniable, with each country carrying a unique history and priorities in its relationship with Spain. Collectively, we value the strong diplomatic and economic bonds shared with Spain, as well as Spain's pivotal role within the European Union and the global community. In a world where globalization blurs geographical and cultural boundaries, collaboration among the Asia-Pacific regions becomes increasingly crucial. In this regard, Dr. Dhakal suggested world leaders choose peace over violence, prioritizing understanding and compassion, and seeking common ground through dialogue.

Minister Albares reaffirmed Spain's commitment to strengthening political, economic, and cultural relations with countries in the Asia-Pacific region, highlighting the importance of Spain's relations with each nation. During the meeting, all the ambassadors exchanged their views and provided constructive ideas to enhance bilateral relations.

The invitation extended to Minister Albares to visit the Asia-Pacific region was enthusiastically received, and the ambassadors committed to coordinating and facilitating the necessary arrangements for his visit, which



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will further strengthen bilateral ties and foster mutual understanding and collaboration between the regions.

This luncheon has marked a milestone in diplomatic relations between Spain and the Asia-Pacific region, and we look forward to continuing to strengthen these ties in the future.

The Asia-Pacific Ambassadors comprise ambassadors from 18 countries: 1. Embassy of Afghanistan 2. Embassy of Australia 3. Embassy of Bangladesh 4. Embassy of China 5. Embassy of the Republic of Korea 6. Embassy of the Philippines 7. Embassy of India 8. Embassy of Indonesia 9. Embassy of Iran 10. Embassy of Japan 11. Embassy of Kazakhstan 12. Embassy of Malaysia 13. Embassy of Nepal 14. Embassy of New Zealand 15. Embassy of Pakistan 16. Embassy of Thailand 17. Embassy of Uzbekistan 18. Embassy of Vietnam

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