

Speech

Delivered by Hon. Mrs. Suwannee SIRIVEJCHAPUN Member of the Thai National Legislative Assembly at the meeting of APA Women Parliamentarians on 22nd November 2017 Istanbul, Republic of Turkey

Madam Chair,
Secretary-General of the APA
Distinguishes Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

For Thailand we don't have any specific statement for this woman forum but I just would like to take this opportunity to share information of Thailand on women development. Thailand has already promulgated Gender Equality Act. Under this Act, there is a mechanism for anyone who has been discriminated because of gender to submit a complaint to the authority. As to this meeting, I would express our support from all proposals of Russia, Turkey, Indonesia and UAE.

- One point that I would like to emphasize is in one of Social and Cultural Affairs of the APA Meeting, we have already adopted the resolution that at least one delegate from each APA Member to attend the meeting have to be women. I would like to ask the Secretary-General of the APA to make this really happen.
- As to the Women Parliamentarians to segregate as one of Standing Committee of the APA, I would like to support this proposal because this is in line with AIPA and IPU.
- Last but not least I emphasize that we cannot exclude men from women parliamentarians really because there are a lot of things that men and women have to work together to solve the issues. By working together it will make the solving of any issue more effective. And I would ask all of us here to give applaud to all men in this meeting because you are really "He For She".

Thank you for your kind attention.

