

Lao People's Democratic Republic Peace Independence Democracy Unity Prosperity

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Dear Madam President/Speaker, Dear Mr. President/Speaker,

On behalf of the National Assembly of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, I have the pleasure to invite your parliament to participate in a regional seminar entitled *Capacity-building for parliaments on sustainable development and resources management* which will be hosted by the National Assembly of the Lao PDR from 26 to 28 November 2007.

This seminar is being jointly organised by the Inter-Parliamentary Union and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) with the support of the National Assembly of Lao PDR.

The seminar is open to all Parliaments of the Asia-Pacific region and each parliamentary House is invited to designate five individuals, parliamentarians and/or parliamentary staff if possible with experience in the field of environment and sustainable development.

Additional information, as well as registration forms will be sent to you by the organisers in the near future.

The National Assembly of Lao PDR will be delighted to welcome your delegation on the occasion of this important conference and wishes you an agreeable stay in Vientiane.

Yours sincerely,

Thongsing Thammavong President of the National Assembly