

28 October 2011

## Hon. Abhisit Vejjajiva, MP

Leader, Democrat Party of Thailand Shadow Prime Minister and Defence Minister Kingdom of Thailand

Dear Khun Abhisit:

The Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats (CALD) expresses its solidarity with the Democrat Party and the people of Thailand as you cope with the devastation caused by rising floodwaters in Bangkok and surrounding provinces.

Looking at the images broadcast on television and the internet, we are alarmed of news reports suggesting that the flood situation is deteriorating each day, and that floodwaters would not subside until after a couple of weeks.

In the midst of this unprecedented natural calamity, CALD stands by the Democrat Party in facilitating stabilization, evacuation and relief efforts, and in rehabilitating the lives of those most affected. The leadership and compassion being shown by Governor M.R. Sukhumbhand Paribatra is particularly inspiring – strengthening our conviction that our Democrat friends would definitely rise up to the occasion and set aside political differences for the greater good of the Thai people.

While the days ahead would still be difficult, we in CALD trust that you would remain strong and resilient in the midst of this unfolding natural disaster.

Yours sincerely,

/MP Raji√a Wijesinha

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