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Hon. Chuan Leekpai

Speaker, House of Representatives
Former Prime Minister, Kingdom of Thailand
Democrat Party, Thailand

Dear Khun Chuan:

On behalf of the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats (CALD) I would like to congratulate you on your election as Speaker of the House of Representatives, Kingdom of Thailand. Knowing the varied and immense challenges in the Parliament today, we are hoping that your election would not only guide the general policy direction of Thailand, but also secure a peaceful political balance in the Lower House.

As a seasoned legislator and leader, we trust that you will help promote progressive legislation that strengthens democratic institutions and ensures effective public service and good governance.

It has been 25 years since you graced the inaugural conference of CALD in Bangkok. Since then, your fellow liberals and democrats in the region have been fighting unceasingly to uphold freedom, rule of law, and human rights. We are proud that the person you inspired the most, Abhisit Vejjajiva, was able to successfully carry out his duties as CALD Chairperson, and faithfully served his term promoting the very principles that define CALD to this day.

We, your liberal family in CALD, will always support the initiatives of the Democrat Party (DP) that institutionalize and consolidate democracy and people empowerment in Thailand. With you at the helm in the Lower House, we hope that the other political parties across the spectrum will follow the excellence and integrity that you have always shown as a true democrat. We in CALD will continue to be inspired by your humble yet purposeful leadership.

Once again, congratulations and we wish you all the best. We hope to see you again in future CALD activities.

Sincerely,

Bi-khim Hsiao, MP
Chairperson
Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats