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## **Bi-khim Hsiao**

Senior National Security Advisor National Security Council, Office of the President Republic of China (Taiwan)

Dear Bi-khim:

On behalf of your CALD family, I would like to congratulate you on your appointment as Senior National Security Advisor to H.E. President Tsai Ing-wen. It does not come as a surprise that you are once again given opportunity to serve Taiwan, especially during this crucial period when your country's contributions to the Asian region and the rest of the world could be most valuable.

We strongly believe Taiwan has a lot to offer to the international community. And as leaders around the world focus on how Taiwan handles the COVID-19 crisis, there would definitely be new and farreaching spaces to explore international cooperation and mutual exchange of ideas and support.

With your new post, and your extensive background and experience in international affairs and legislation, we are certain that you can make significant contributions to strengthening Taiwan's international profile and cooperation with the rest of the world.

You have a good heart, Bi-khim, and we know your heart belongs to Taiwan. Over the years, you have exemplified the heart of a true public servant who passionately strives to provide progress, comfort and security to the Taiwanese people.

We have seen that in many instances in the past, most especially when you fought for Hualien. It is that unceasing passion to fight for democracy, development, rule of law, and human rights that sets you apart from most of the politicians and public servants we know.

We trust that through your new post in the Tsai administration, you will be able to share Taiwan's goodwill, expertise and democratic experience to other countries in the Asian region and beyond. As fellow liberals and as a people who value freedom, we in CALD are always here to work hand-in-hand with you.

Once again, congratulations! We are very proud of you. We wish you all the best in this new endeavour.

Sincerely,

**Jayanthi Devi Balaguru** Chairperson CALD Women's Caucus