



## Parliamentarians for Global Action

### *Round-Table Discussion on the International Criminal Court (ICC) and the Rule of Law: Strengthening Durable Peace and Justice in Nepal*

Hosted by the Parliament of Nepal  
at the Shangri-la Hotel, Kathmandu

SEPTEMBER 28, 2007

#### AGENDA

- 10:00 Welcome Address  
**H.E. Mr. Subas Nembang, MP**, Speaker of the Parliament of Nepal
- 10:15 The relevance of the International Criminal Court (ICC) to the work Parliamentarians and the role of PGA in promoting the universality of the ICC  
**Sen. Raynell Andreychuk** (Canada), Convenor, International Law and Human Rights Programme, Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA); Chair, Human Rights Committee, Senate of Canada
- 10:25 Strengthening Justice and Peace through the Rule of Law in Nepal  
**Hon. Mr. Chakra Prasad Bastola, MP** (Nepal), Member of PGA; Former Minister for Foreign Affairs
- 10:40 The position of the Parliament of Nepal on the Accession to the Rome Statute [statement available in the PGA website]  
**Hon. Mr. Parashu Ram Meghi Gurung, MP** (Nepal), Member of PGA; *Rapporteur* of the ICC Resolution (July 2006)
- 10:55 The experience of Mongolia in ratifying the Rome Statute of the ICC [statement available in the PGA website]  
**H.E. Mr. Jargalsaikhan Enkhsaikhan**, Institute for Strategic Studies of Mongolia; former Permanent Representative of Mongolia to the United Nations; former Member of Parliament
- 11:15 The ratification and implementation of the Rome Statute of the ICC and the protection of the civilian population  
**Judge Linda Billfalk** (Sweden), International Justice Project, Amnesty International
- 11:40 Coffee break
- 11:50 Open Discussion
- 12:30 Summary of the proceedings of the Round-Table Discussion by the *Rapporteur*  
**Dr. David Donat Cattin** (Italy), Director of the International Law & Human Rights Programme, PGA;
- 12:45 Closing Remarks of the co-chairs: The challenges for the ICC process in Nepal  
**Hon. Mr. Pashupati Rana, MP** (Nepal); Member of PGA; Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Nepal  
**Sen. Raynell Andreychuk** (Canada)
- 13:00 Lunch

## **OBJECTIVES**

1. Promote understanding and awareness on the ICC among Nepalese Legislators;
2. Promote the acceleration of the ICC Statute accession and implementation process in Nepal, bearing in mind that accession has been specifically supported by Parliament with a unanimous resolution adopted on 25 July 2006;
3. Increase the involvement of Legislators in the ICC process, as recommended by the “*Tokyo Resolution on Human Security, the Rule of Law and the ICC*” adopted by the IV Consultative Assembly of Parliamentarians for the ICC and the Rule of Law in Tokyo, 4-5 Dec. 2006 (<http://www.pgaction.org/about.asp?id=231>) and the “Manila Plan of Action” of the Asian Parliamentarians Working Group on the ICC, 15-16 Aug. 2006 ([http://www.pgaction.org/prog\\_inte\\_past.asp?id=232](http://www.pgaction.org/prog_inte_past.asp?id=232)). Both events have been attended by multi-party Nepalese delegations.

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