

**REPORT
OF THE
PLENARY SESSION
OF THE
14TH IMT-GT
JOINT BUSINESS COUNCIL**

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The 1st Session of the 14th JBC Plenary

1. INTRODUCTION

The 14th IMT-GT Plenary Session was held on 17th July 2004 at the Pan Pacific Glenmarie Shah Alam, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia. The Meeting was attended by 80 delegates from both the private and government sectors, from the three IMT-GT member countries i.e. Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand.

2. OPENING REMARKS BY HEADS OF DELEGATIONS

The Head of the Malaysian Delegation, Dato' Seri Abdul Rahman Maidin, welcomed everybody to the meeting. He noted that most people had been briefed about the conduct and agenda of the Plenary Session at the previous day's National JBC Meetings. He reiterated that matters related to the ITGs not convened at the 14th JBC i.e. ITG on Open Market Operations, ITG on Sectoral Development, and ITG on Cross Sectoral Development, as well as new issues, proposals, and initiatives, can be raised during the Plenary Session.

He then invited the Heads of the Thai and Indonesian Delegations to deliver their remarks.

THAILAND

The Head of the Thailand Delegation, Khun Somkiat Anuras, thanked the Malay Chamber of Commerce Malaysia for the warm welcome accorded his delegation of businessmen and government officers. He noted that the region as a whole is facing challenging issues with unknown implications such as Free Trade Agreements, the WTO, the Asean Free Trade Area (AFTA), and others. He said Thailand regarded the IMT-GT as very important and indeed has benefited from increased trading and investment inflows. He noted that IMT-GT economic

cooperation could be implemented on either a bilateral or/and trilateral basis. He said the IMT-GT needed to keep pace with changing global and regional circumstances, and had to be focused in order to bring benefits to the IMT-GT population. Khun Somkiat Anuras also announced several new initiatives and proposals by Thailand (for consistency, this is reported under Item.8 of the Agenda).

INDONESIA

The Head of the Indonesian Delegation, Bapak Ir. Arsyadjuliandi Rachman, thanked Malaysia for the warm hospitality extended to his delegation. He expressed the commitment of the JBC Indonesia towards making the IMT-GT a success. He announced the interest of several other provinces in Sumatera i.e. Lampung, Banka Belitung, and Kepulauan Riau, to join the IMT-GT.

MALAYSIA

Dato' Seri Abdul Rahman Maidin expressed his thanks to the Selangor Malay Chamber of Commerce and its President, Tan Sri Rozali Ismail, for their willingness to host the 14th JBC. He also thanked the State of Selangor for its kind contributions and sponsorships towards the 14th JBC. He noted that this is a visible implementation of the decision of the 12th JBC in Kangar which agreed that state and provincial governments would be asked to get involved in the holding of the JBC events. The 14th JBC is also reflective of the continuity of the meeting format and structure agreed upon by the 10th to 13th JBCs, which is intended to encourage businessmen to discuss and network and implement their projects successfully. He expressed his confidence that the JBC will continue to play its role to make the IMT-GT a success.

3. APPOINTMENT OF DRAFTING COMMITTEE

The following persons were appointed as members of the Drafting Committee:

Malaysia	:	Mr. Rajeshpal Singh Ms. Maznisa
Thailand	:	Ms. Kanchana Thaichon Ms. Arunwan Petsang
Indonesia	:	Mr. Bambang Lukmanul Hakim Ms. Yuli

4. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND CO-CHAIRMAN

Head of the Malaysian Delegation, Dato' Seri Abdul Rahman Maidin, was elected Chairman of the 14th JBC Plenary Session. Khun Somkiat Anuras and Bapak Bapak Ir. Arsyadjuliandi Rachman, the Heads of the Thailand and Indonesian Delegations respectively, were elected as Co-Chairmen.

5. ADOPTION OF THE REVISED AGENDA FOR THE 14th JBC PLENARY

The Chairman proposed that the tabled Agenda be amended to include the new proposals & initiatives arising from Thailand and Indonesia into Item.8 i.e. New Initiatives / Project Proposals / Presentations, of the morning Plenary Session.

The Thai Co-Chairman requested for a further amendment to Item.11 (Thailand) (3) to change the sentence to "To host the 15th IMT-GT JBC in Hat Yai and Pattani on 22-23rd August 2004 just before the 11th SOM and MM".

The Agenda was adopted subject to the above amendments. The Revised Agenda is presented in Attachment 1.

6. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 13th JBC PLENARY, 6-7th FEBRUARY 2004, PEKANBARU

The Report of the 13th JBC Plenary was adopted without any amendments.

7. ADOPTION AND SIGNING OF THE REPORT OF THE 14th JBC EXCO MEETING, 16th July 2004, SHAH ALAM

The Report of the 14th JBC EXCO was adopted without any amendments and the Heads of Delegations duly signed the Report of the 14th JBC EXCO Meeting.

8: MATTERS ARISING:

The Chairman gave an update as per the Agenda.

Malaysia

- 1: Exemption of the Indonesian Fiscal Tax covers the whole area of the Malaysia and Thailand IMT-GT regions, on the condition that the departure point from Indonesia is from a

location in the IMT-GT Indonesia region. The Chairman expressed his thanks to the Indonesian government for facilitating this issue.

- 2: The Chairman invited Tuan Haji Baharul Ulum to initiate discussion on the “Haze issue”. Hj. Baharul said the haze was a very serious problem for the region some years back, and there are fears it might recur again on a large scale. He said the haze had a very negative impact on palm oil production, as it interferes with photo -synthesis. He said this issue will also be discussed in the ITG on Development of the Hinterland Working Group Meeting. The chairman thanked Tuan Hj. Baharul Ulum and agreed that the matter should be raised at the ITG Working Group. The meeting concurred.
- 3: The Chairman called upon the Malaysian and Thailand governments to agree upon extending the operating hours at the Padang Besar border crossing. He also proposed that the JBC raise this issue further at the next SOM and MM.

The Head of the Thailand Delegation further proposed that the JBC make a request to SOM and MM for all border crossings in IMT-GT to be opened 24 hours. The meeting concurred.

- 4: The Chairman requested the assistance of JBC Indonesia and the Indonesian government to facilitate the issuance of visas for students of Alliance College of Medical Sciences. The college is currently facing problems in obtaining student visas for its students to study in Sumatera. The Head of the Indonesian Delegation said he would take note of the issue. The meeting concurred.

Indonesia

There were no Matters Arising from Indonesia.

Thailand

There were no Matters Arising from Thailand.

9: NEW INITIATIVE / PROJECT PROPOSALS / PRESENTATIONS:

The Chairman invited the Head of the Thailand Delegation to present first:

Thailand

The Head of the Thailand Delegation presented the following new initiatives and proposals:

- The inclusion of three more provinces, namely Trang, Pattalung and Nakhon Sri Thammarat into the IMT-GT;
- To hold a IMT-GT Trade Fair in Hat Yai in February 2005; and
- To organize the 15th IMT-GT JBC Meeting on 22-23 August 2004 in Hat Yai and Pattani, prior to the 11th SOM and MM.
- To request the governments to extend operating hours, preferably to 24 hours, of all border check points in the IMT-GT.

Indonesia

The Head of the Indonesian Delegation presented the following new initiatives and proposals:

- The inclusion Lampung, Banka Belitung, and Kepulauan Riau provinces into the IMT-GT.
- For Melaka and Johor in Malaysia to be included into the IMT-GT.

The Chairman replied that other parties and authorities have to be consulted first before an answer can be given for the inclusion of Melaka and Johor into the IMT-GT. He proposed that each side follow-up with their respective governments and to update each other accordingly. The meeting concurred.

Malaysia

- Puan Rozzana Dato' Haji Rahmat of SRT Travels & Tours Sdn Bhd made a presentation on "Architecture Lighting i.e. Kuala Lumpur Nights". The meeting took note of her presentation.

Following the presentation, the Chairman thanked all present and adjourned the 1st Session of the 14th JBC Plenary, so as to allow the delegates to attend the ITG Working Group Meetings.

2nd Session of the 14th JBC Plenary

10. PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION OF REPORTS BY ITG CHAIRMEN:

1) Report on Trade & In-Situ Development

The meeting was chaired by Tuan Haji Faudzi Naim Haji Noh and attended by 26 delegates.

The Highlights of the Report are:

- i. The old proposed jetty for barter trade is taken away for development by Penang Port and the study of barter trade is being carried out by EPU before Penang Port identify new place for barter trade jetty.
- ii. 'Padang Besar Township' project by Perlis, Cross Border Wholesale Market and the widening of Padang Besar Container Yard project is in progress. The Meeting also noted the development of Kota Perdana and the development of Kota Putra in Kedah, and Kota Puri Industrial Area in Pengkalan Hulu, Perak.
- iii. Agreed to drop proposal to look or partners for 'Manufacturing of Paint Product and Waterproof Membranes in Thailand and Indonesia' by Top Silver Manufacturing Sdn Bhd
- iv. Agreed to drop proposal to look for suppliers of Corrugated Boxes by Ebiza Sdn Bhd
- v. Agreed to drop proposal to look for suppliers of 'lidi' (coconut fibre) from Indonesia and Thailand and supplier of Brake Pad Moulds by Rotocraft Industries Sdn Bhd. The company has sourced the supply of lidi from FELDA.
- vi. An update & extensive list of Indonesia and Thailand business & trade associations is required at the next meeting.
- vii. Agreed to Thailand's proposal to waive the vehicles insurance to cover the whole IMT-GT region and the insurance companies of three countries should meet and discuss on this matter.

- viii. Thailand agreed to extend the border checkpoints hours to 24 hours for the whole area, not only Padang Besar and Sadao.
- ix. Agreed that the proposal to set-up a 'Centralized One-Stop Agency' by Selangor SEDC at 12th IMT-GT JBC Meeting in Kangar has to follow-up by the secretariat for the next meeting.
- x. The development project of 300 hectares of land for industrial development by PT Dock Dumai of Riau has been presented and it is still in the initial stage. The progress of the project will be briefed in the next ITG meeting.
- xi. Dr. John Thava from Perwira Conquest (M) Sdn Bhd showed his interest to supply tuna to Siam Tin Food Product in Thailand. Mr. Gunawan Tio from Indonesia suggested that Nangroe Aceh Darussalam (NAD) to take the opportunity to supply tuna to Thailand as well.
- xii. Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Abdul Malick from Syarikat Abdul Ghaffar Trading Sdn Bhd in Penang requested for supplier of spices from Indonesia.
- xiii. Indonesia welcomes investors to invest in Medan Development Metropolitan City and Hotels in Medan, North Sumatera.
- xiv. Thailand proposed to set up 'IMT-GT Market Place' in website.
- xv. Thailand requests for a single custom declaration form to facilitate the movement of the products in the IMT-GT region.
- xvi. Indonesia requests a harmonizing custom tariff within IMT-GT region to encourage trade activities especially among SMEs.

2) Report on Development of The Hinterland

The meeting was chaired by Tuan Haji Ahmad Baharul Ulum bin Abd. Jalil and attended by 25 delegates.

The Highlights of the Report are:

- i. KDEB offers a 150 acre Halal Hub facility at Pulau Indah, complete with infrastructure and other related facilities for investors. In view of the importance of halal certification to IMT-GT countries, the meeting agreed to propose on the standardisation of halal logo and certification in IMT-GT region to SOM.
- ii. The meeting agreed to bring up issue on sharing Malaysia expertise in palm oil industry to SOM for further clarification.
- iii. The meeting agreed to drop the proposal for Selangor as “Joint R & D Hub” and proposal on Permanent IMT-GT Marketing Centre in Selangor, both by Selangor PKNS due to no response from Selangor PKNS.
- iv. Re-packing & labelling Centre for Agriculture Produce for Export Market are still at initial stage and awaiting for the completion of Entrepreneurs Bazaar and Common Border Wholesale Market.
- v. Canning of Agriculture Product for Export. Perlis MCCM is in the middle of negotiating with an Australian company to set up a mango processing plant that will incorporate canning facility.
- vi. Training Centre for Agriculture Entrepreneurs. Perlis MCCM is considering to appoint a consultant firm to undertake this project on Built, Operate and Transfer concept.
- vii. The meeting agreed to drop the following projects in Riau due no progress reports from project proponents:
 - Establishment of pig development area; and
 - Development of Food Centre.
- viii. Development of Eco-Tourism in Riau. Governor of Riau agreed to allocate Rukat Island for this project.
- ix. The proposal for Integration between cattle and oil palm plantations in Rokam Hulu District, Riau is still looking for potential partners.
- x. Proposal for Rubber tree processing industry in Kampar and Kuansing District have been successfully getting their partners.

- xi. Proposal for development of palm oil processing and downstream industry activities is still available for interested party to invest.
- xii. Integrated Fisheries Industry in Aceh by PT Afagindo Segera - still looking for potential partners.
- xiii. Update on proposal on Halal Logo and update on Halal Food Development. The meeting agreed to bring to the attention of SOM on the issue of standardising halal certification, common halal logo for IMT-GT region and incorporating halal certification with HACCP and GMP.
- xiv. Update on “ Cooperation on Resources” i.e. using raw materials and Malaysian downstream processing expertise. Nakhon Si Thammarat has established processing centre for fresh vegetable and fruits and invited Malaysian and Indonesian companies to participate.
- xv. UNISEL Selangor is developing Biotech Centre at a 50-acre site located near Cyberjaya, Selangor. The Centre comprises of bio innovation complex, school of biotech and life science, international Islamic centre for life science, bio incubator centre and other biotech related facilities. UNISEL offers these facilities in Biotech Centre to companies from Indonesia and Thailand.
- xvi. Province of Jambi offers the following projects to IMT-GT:
 - Durian and Orange Production Centre in East Tanjung Jabung. N
 - Nutrient Factory For Fish and Poultry.
 - Large scale fishing in Jambi.
 - Development of Brackish water Aquaculture centre
 - Chicken Processing Centre
 - Estate Crop Service Centre
 - Agriculture projects in Riau for export to Selangor
 - Development of horticulture project in West Sumatera.
 - Rubber Milling Project in Kota Kampar, Kampar Regency, Riau.
- xvii. Thailand offers two new projects:
 - Raw material production and supply opportunities, especially tuna fish, mackerel and sardine in Southern Thailand
 - Invitation to private sector in Malaysia and Indonesia to submit proposal to develop palm oil downstream industry in Southern Thailand.

3) Report on Infrastructure Development

The meeting was chaired by YBhg. Tan Sri Rozali Ismail and attended by 24 delegates.

The Highlights of the Report are:

1. Progress Reports and Updates

Malaysia

1. Update on establishment of RORO passenger ferry services by Penang Port Sdn Bhd.
 - Ms. Norlaila from Penang Port Sdn Bhd has informed the working group that PT Angkutan Sungai Danau Dan Penyeberangan has taken up the project. The services are expected to start on the 25th August 2004 between Penang – Belawan – Penang. The vessel is expected to arrive from Jakarta. She also mentioned that Penang Port would be doing the inspection of the vessel next week.
 - Penang Port Sdn Bhd are currently considering the need to adjust the facilities at the port in order to provide the services
2. Update on proposal for new IMT-GT air routes by Alasan Abadi (M) Sdn Bhd.
 - There is no representatives from Alasan Abadi (M) Sdn Bhd. Secretariat will follow up on the issue and to be discussed at the next meeting.
3. Update on toll highway project linking Pekanbaru-Dumai by Kumpulan Darul Ehsan Berhad (KDEB) and PT Pengembangan Investasi Riau.
4. Update on water supply project in Rokan River, Dumai, by Putra Capital Bhd and PT P Investasi Riau.
 - Mr. Zulkifli from KDEB has informed the working group that they have appointed a financial & technical consultant for the projects. He also briefed the working group that they have

completed the traffic study and the report on both highway and water projects. KDEB have briefed the new Governor of Riau Province regarding this project and they are expecting to submit the technical & financial report on 21st July 2004 to the Riau Investment Corporation.

- Riau Investment Corporation will assist KDEB in getting licence or permit if necessary from the Riau Government & Federal Government.
5. Update on “Harbour City Development” by ASA Niaga Harbour City Sdn Bhd.
- Dato’ Shaari Mat Jihin from ASA Niaga Sdn Bhd is still waiting for the State Government to release the land to combine into one grant. He also mentioned about amalgamation of two-land title into a new single title.
 - Removal of one piece of land in the sea, which belong to port.
6. Outcome of “Study to Identify Barter Trade Opportunities in the IMT-GT Region, coordinated by Penang Port Commission and consultant.
- Ms. Norlaila from Penang Port Commission has informed the working group that the final draft of the study is expected to be handed over to the Kedah Economics Planning Unit as a coordinator of this study by the end of this month.
 - Mr. Ahmad Puat from Kedah Economics Planning Unit has informed that the study will include Myanmar since the country has a great potential in the barter trade activities. The target of the study is to have at least 1 barter trade jetty in each IMT-GT state members.
 - YBhg. Tan Sri Chairman proposed to have a special conference focussing on this issue since it has been developing aggressively in the IMT-GT region.

Indonesia

1. Riau Investment Corporation proposed to drop item 1,3 & 4 in the 12th JBC Workshop because they have been taken up by the company from other countries but not in the IMT-GT region.

- All the delegates in the working group have agreed to the proposal.

Riau Investment Corporation has highlighted a few area of infrastructure that available for investors such as:

2. Update on search for investors for the “Kelok-9 Bottleneck improvement from Bukit Tinggi to Payakumbuh-Riau Border”.

- There is no representative to update this issue and the secretariat will follow up on the issue to be discussed at the next meeting.

3. Update on search for partners for development of Dumai Sea Port Development by PT P Investasi Riau.

- There is no representative from PT P Investasi Riau. Secretariat will follow up on the issue and to be discussed at the next meeting.

4. Pekanbaru – Kuala Lumpur air route, currently operated by Riau Airlines.

- Riau Governor has discussed this matter with Selangor Chief Minister whether to using KLIA instead of the existing Airport in Subang.

5. Update on search for BOT investor for a “Steam Power Plant of 2x50 megawatt” by PT Semen Padang, and search for BOT investor for a “Diesel Power Plant of 30-50 MW”.

- There is no representatives from PT Semen Padang. Secretariat will follow up on the issue and to be discussed at the next meeting.

6. Update on search for investors (USD50 million) for expansion of PT Semen Padang.

- There is no representative from PT Semen Padang. Secretariat will follow up on the issue and to be discussed at the next meeting.

Thailand

1. Update on “Satun-Wang Prachan / Wang Kelian Perlis Highway Project” as alternative to previous proposal for “Changlun-Satun Highway Project”.
2. Update on comparative study on Buboi Port Development Project.
 - Items 1 – 2 is taking to study by the Highway Department.
3. Status of Narathiwat Port Development Project.
 - The study has been completed and has been submitted to the Thai Government for consideration. The progress of this issue will be table at the next meeting in Thailand.

2. New Projects / Proposals / Presentations

The following new projects / proposals / presentations were presented:

Malaysia

Several new projects has been identified and approved in the ITG on Infrastructure Development Workshop.

1. RORO ferry service by member of MCCM Melaka.
 - Hj. Hashim from Firmapadu Sdn Bhd a subsidiary of MCCM Malacca has proposed transportation services base on Ro-Ro from Malacca – Dumai. They are looking for local partners to invest in the projects. He also informed the working group that they have identified partner from Riau, Indonesia
 - The working group has agreed upon this project and willing to participate.
 - However, Malacca has to officially be a member of the IMT-GT in order for the project to be

announced and recorded as an IMT-GT project for the committee to follow up.

2. Update on “Developing New Air Routes via Ipoh Airport” by Perak SEDC.

- The Ipoh Airport has a lot of facilities to offer, with a lot of incentives available to interested parties in investing or joint venture with them on this proposal.
- To inform the opportunities that are available for members of IMT-GT to participate jointly in developing new flight routes using Ipoh Airport.
- The establishment of this new flight route will be able to facilitate transportation of passengers and goods utilising the capacities of the existing infrastructure in order to stimulate further economic growth of within IMT-GT area.

Indonesia

Riau Investment Corporation has brought up a few proposals and accepted in the working group.

1. The development of Pulau Rumat as a new tourist destination and resort area;
2. Proposed establishment of highway Batu Panjang – Tanjung Medang;
3. Proposed establishment of Ro-Ro services at Dumai, Batu Panjang and Tanjung Medang;

Those interested to invest in development of infrastructure in this area are invited.

They also have common interest on proposal made by Malacca Chamber of Commerce to have a RORO facility from Dumai to Malacca

Thailand

Thailand submitted a proposal for joint cooperation among the IMT-GT countries to establish and develop a common logistics area and company, to serve the IMT-GT region. If such an area and company can be established, it will be worthwhile to invest and develop the necessary infrastructure of the common logistics area to facilitate

the movement of cargo between the IMT-GT region and beyond. In the same vein, the cost of establishing the common logistics area can be shared among the IMT-GT countries thereby making it a cost effective venture.

For this to become reality, the JBC should forward the proposal to SOM and MM for their serious consideration and subsequent follow-up

3. New Policy Matters

Malaysia

1. IMT-GT Radio Broadcasting

Malaysia has obtained license to operate the radio station for the IMT-GT. However in order to set up a consortium within 3 countries, Indonesian and Thailand have to obtain the same license from their respective Government which is yet to be approved.

4. Other Matters

1. Proposed Setting-Up of the Common Logistics Area and Company by Thailand

- Dato' Raduan Hj. Md. Taib has raised the question to the Thai's whether the shareholders for the proposed logistic company are among the chambers or private company. Mr. Sutham Chitranukroh answered to the question by suggesting that the private company should take up this project.

11. NEW INITIATIVES / PROJECT PROPOSAL / PRESENTATIONS NOT PRESENTED IN ITG WORKSHOPS:

I. Malaysia

- a. Mr. Mohd Fauzi Kassim from Noble Nexus presented his proposal on IMT-GT Logo and Business Directory. He proposed that logo of IMT-GT to be printed out on the business card, letterheads and signages of the IMT-GT members. There are 2 designs of IMT-GT logo suggested, one introduced and used in Indonesia and Thailand and

one that designed by Selangor Malay Chamber of Commerce. The Chairman asked Mr. Mohd Fauzi to submit his proposal to JBC to be considered before the next meeting but there are 3 criteria to be noted and considered:

- i. The 2 logos that have been used in IMT-GT Meeting since the last 10 years are not representing the IMT-GT logo.
- ii. The issue of Intellectual Property must be identified and the payment should be made to a party that reflects JBC.
- iii. This initiative cannot be an exclusive basis since this is a private sector initiative.

Mr. Somkiat Anuras commented that this proposal can create a platform for SMEs to cooperate among each other and hoped that Noble Nexus can accommodate this proposal.

b. Mr. Sri Ram from StarSearch Technologies Sdn Bhd presented proposals on 'Smart Schools' and 'ASEAN Tourism Portal' as Attachment Considering that the company need to get partner from Indonesia and Thailand, the Chairman suggested that the proposals to be presented in the next ITG Working Group in Thailand.

There were no new initiative from Indonesia and Thailand.

12. OTHER MATTERS

- i. Mr. Somkiat Anuras from Thailand stressed that Thailand need support in expanding provinces in IMT-GT. He invited all delegates to Thailand Trade Fair, which will be held in February 2005.
- ii. YBhg. Dato' Raduan Haji Md. Taib, former President of Selangor Chamber of Commerce suggested that IMT-GT should be reinvented since there is not many participant from Perlis, Kedah and Perak. He also suggested that the JBC Meeting should discuss on one particular Working Group to be more focus.

The Chairman believes that IMT-GT has contributed a lot to the development of economy of the three countries. To name a few, the Landbridge Pipeline project, Fiber Optic Network in Malaysia, Indonesian and Thailand, land connectivity from Penang Port to Songkhla and investment in hotels are the projects that has been successfully taken up. There are only 2 projects that has not been carried out which are rail and crude palm oil (projects).

On the other hand, IMT-GT takes recognition of the comments and the format of IMT-GT has been changed. The participation of the IMT-GT is not only from Malay Chamber of Commerce but IMT-GT encourages actual players to participate in the meetings. The Chairman believes that he has seen and felt the development of any people through IMT-GT.

There is better health services and facilities, in which Hat Yai, Medan and Penang are well known in medical tourism industry and the Chairman believes that this will continue and there will be new parameters which will be chartered by IMT-GT, for example Selangor Bio-Technology will include new players and scheme of IMT-GT.

IMT-GT has faced economic crisis and managed to survive until today when 200 delegates attended the 14th IMT-GT JBC meeting and since for the last 10 years thousands of delegates has attended the IMT-GT Meetings.

The Chairman then thanked YBhg. Dato' Raduan for his keenness in IMT-GT.

13. BUSINESS NETWORKING / MATCHING

Business Networking / Matching has been successfully done in various ITG Working Group.

14. DATE AND VENUE OF 15TH IMT-GT JBC

Mr. Somkiat Anuras has announced that Thailand will host 15th IMT-GT JBC Meeting in conjunction with 11th SOM and MM Meeting from 22 – 23 August 2004 in Hat Yai and Pattani.

15. CLOSING REMARKS BY CHAIRMAN AND HEADS OF INDONESIAN AND THAILAND DELEGATION

Mr. Somkiat Anuras believes that there are significant business opportunities available during the meeting. He again stressed on the proposal of expansion of provinces in IMT-GT area in Thailand to strengthen trade and cooperation within IMT-GT region. He invited the delegates to attend 15th IMT-GT JBC Meeting which will be held in 22 – 23 August 2004 in Hat Yai and Pattani. He then conveyed his sincere thanks to the chairman who he considered as real core member of IMT-GT. He thanked the committee members of Selangor Malay Chamber of Commerce and staffs for their commitment to ensure the successful of the meeting.

Mr. Ir. Arsyadjuliandy Rachman thanked the Chairman and the committee members of Selangor Chamber of Commerce. There are many business opportunities have been discussed during today's meeting and he hoped that the delegates could meet again in Hat Yai and Pattani to carry out the result of today' meeting.

The Chairman thanked all participants, chairmen of ITG Working Groups, staffs and drafting committees who made the meeting a success. He also thanked NCCIM JBC, Malay Chamber of Commerce JBC and Selangor Malay Chamber of Commerce. He addressed his special thanks to The Honourable Dato' Seri Dr. Mohamad Khir bin Toyo, The Chief Minister of Selangor, Selangor Exco Members and Selangor State Government.