

PH PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO UNEP MEETS WITH NEW UN ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IN NAIROBI

Nairobi – The Philippine Permanent Representative to the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Alex G. Chua met with the new UNEP Executive Director Inger Andersen at the sidelines of the UNEP Asia-Pacific Group Meeting on 19 June 2019 in the United Nations Office in Nairobi.

PR Chua assured the support of the Philippines to UNEP and its willingness to collaborate in whatever capacity to achieve UNEP's goals. Ms. Andersen thanked PR Chua and commented that it is more crucial now than ever that the world place higher importance on the environment since we are at a point where what we do will impact the future of our planet.

Ms. Andersen was the former CEO of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) before becoming the current UNEP Executive Director.

The members of the Asia-Pacific group expressed their hope and encouragement to ED Andersen to bring her vibrant and fair type of IUCN leadership to UNEP, and for UNEP to be a more results-oriented UN agency.

UNEP is the foremost authority on environment within the United Nations. Recently, it held the 4th United Nations Environment Assembly on 11-15 March 2019 in Nairobi with the attendance of almost 5,000 delegates from 179 countries, including five Heads of State.



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