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Dear Colleagues,

## **13th Conference of the Association of Parliamentary Librarians of Asia and the Pacific**

We are writing to invite representatives of your parliamentary libraries and research services units to attend the 2021 Online Conference of the Association of Parliamentary Librarians of Asia and the Pacific (APLAP) hosted by the Congress of the Philippines on 15-17 June 2021, 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. (Philippine Standard Time, via Zoom).

The conference, with the theme *Enhancing the Responsiveness and Relevance of Parliamentary Library and Research Services During Times of Crisis*, aims to:

- assist in the development of parliamentary libraries and research services by creating an opportunity for participants to share their knowledge and experiences;
- encourage the strengthening of parliamentary libraries and research services within the region and their parliaments; and
- support the expansion of innovative practices by providing a forum for members to discuss new developments and processes.

We encourage utmost participation of all interested delegates from your institution. Kindly confirm their participation by 15 May 2021 at <http://bit.ly/APLAP2021REGISTRATION>.

Member countries are also requested to prepare their country report in two versions—

(1) a full paper which shall be uploaded on the APLAP website to be submitted on or before 8 June 2021; and

(2) a 10 to 15-minute presentation on the highlights/salient points, which the presenter may opt to report live or have it pre-recorded. Visual aids for live reports and pre-recorded presentations shall be submitted on or before 15 May 2021.

Further guidelines on the country reports and information on the sessions will be provided in the coming days. Please do not hesitate to contact [aplapconference2021@house.gov.ph](mailto:aplapconference2021@house.gov.ph) for matters relating to the conference.

We look forward to welcoming delegates from across the region to a stimulating and informative conference.

Very truly yours,

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