

Report on Regional Round Table Meeting and Consultation, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Republic of Indonesia, Jakarta, Manggala Wanabhakti, 6-7 June 2018

By: Chair of Regional Fire Management Resource Center-South East Asia

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ASEAN Secretary General or representative

Executive Director GFMC

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Speakers from ASEAN Countries: Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam

Speakers from Indonesian stake holders

Invitees

Ladies and glements

Ass. Wr. Wb. And Good morning,

First of all thanks to Allah Swt to give us health and good chance to be in this room this room

We thanks also to the Minister of Environment and Forestry Indonesia that provide her busy time to be with us this morning and Congratulation for World Environment Day.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As you may aware that Regional Fire Management Resource Center – South East Asia Region (RFMRC-SEA) was launched last year in Manggala Wanabhakti. It was established as the respnse to the repeat fire and haze crisis of 2015 and the recurrent regional smoke episodes in 2016-17 have resulted in renewed national and international efforts in the Southeast Asia region, particularly in Indonesia. The mandate of the RFMRC-SEA will be to function as an independent regional center of competency and excellence for fire management, operating at the interface between science and informed policy development and a bridge to the practitioner community (Science-Policy-Practitioner Interface – SPPI). The RFMRC-SEA aims to serve the region, but will initially emphasize efforts in Indonesia both as the host country and as hot-seat for regional fire management challenges. The center funded by The Federal German Ministry of Food and Agriculture, based on a decision by the German Bundestag under the program *Bilateral Research Cooperation and the Knowledge Exchange for International Sustainable Forest Management*., administered through the Global Fire Monitoring Center (GFMC), Max-Planck Society for the Advancement of Science, Max-Planck Institute for Chemistry. Objectives and aims of the Regional Round Table meeting and Consultation will echo some objectives of the 2017 National Round Table – namely to bring important actors to the table, to voice intentions towards tackling challenges in a collaborative way, and as an opportunity to align efforts and explore common objectives. In addition, at this year’s event, RFMRC-SEA will seek to cultivate support and

cooperation with other actors in the region and look to supporting the ASEAN coordinating center for transboundary haze pollution (ACCTHP), which is to be hosted by Indonesia

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Regional Round Table Meeting and Consultation today entitle“**Enhancing Regional Cooperation on Fire Management in South East Asia**” is a follow up the the National Round Table and inauguration of the RFMRC-SEA, that been conducted last year. Today meeting attended by our guest from ASEAN countries: Malaysia , Thailand, and Vietnam, and there will be a dialogue from different Indonesian stake holders that focusing on Indonesian forest fire prevention with one of the topics is on how to prevent fires during ASIAN GAMES 2018 that will be held in one of the place is Palembang, South Sumatra. We invite also other stake holders to come to this meeting such as from University, NGO, Fire Brigade Manggala Agni, FMU Kuburaya (West Kalimantan), Donor, and other Indonesians stake holders.

To finish my talk, I will thank to Minister of Environment and Forestry for the full support, GFMC, forest fire prevention management Directorate under Pak Raffless, Faculty of Forestry IPB especially forest fire laboratory and Dept.Siviculture, all speakers, our regional network, and all invitees that join the meeting. At the end, I do hope Minister of Environment and Forestry Indonesia, could open Regional Round Table Meeting and Consultation officially.

Thank you Very much for your attention

Wassalam Wr.Wb.