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“TOWARDS UPHOLDING THE UNIVERSALITY OF HUMAN RIGHTS”

INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHINA – MANILA 1996 **Organized by Amnesty International and Forum-Asia**

Amnesty International and the Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (Forum-Asia) are jointly hosting an international forum for non-governmental organizations (NGOs), on the theme of the universality of human rights and human rights in China. Representatives from more than 60 international and regional NGOs will come together to discuss how to prevent human rights violations in the Asia-Pacific region. Opening the forum will be Somchai Homlaor, Secretary General of Forum-Asia and Ross Daniels, Chair of Amnesty International's International Executive Committee.

Speakers at the forum include representatives from:

- Asia Monitor Resource Centre
- China Labour Bulletin
- Focus on the Global South
Philippines
- Human Rights in China
- Tibetan exile community
- University of the

Topics to be discussed at the Forum include:

- The human rights situation in China, including Tibet, post-Tiananmen
- China's role in the Asia-Pacific region
- The Asian human rights movement and its challenges
- Universality vs. cultural specificity of human rights in Asia

Location:

Royal Palm Hotel
1227 A. Mabini, corner Padre Faura Street, Ermita, Manila.

Dates:

30 August - 1 September

A pre-forum press conference will be held on Friday 30 August at 11am and post-forum conference on Sunday 1 September, both in the Royal Palm Hotel.

For further details, press packs or to arrange an interview, please contact:

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