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THE TWENTY-FIRST ASEAN DIRECTORS-GENERAL OF IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENTS AND HEADS OF CONSULAR AFFAIRS DIVISIONS OF MINISTRIES OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MEETING PLUS AUSTRALIA CONSULTATION

(21ST DGICM + AUSTRALIA CONSULTATION)

Siem Reap, Cambodia, 25 June 2026

1. The 21st DGICM + Australia Consultation was held in Siem Reap, Cambodia on 25 June 2026. The 21st DGICM + Australia was co-chaired by Mr. Hendarsam Marantoko, Director-General of Immigration, Ministry of Immigration and Corrections of the Republic of Indonesia, and Mr. Damien Kilner, First Assistant Secretary, Citizenship, Humanitarian, Family Visa Programs & Support Division, the Department of Home Affairs of Australia.
2. The Consultation was attended by the Heads of Immigration Departments, Heads of Consular Affairs Divisions of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of the ASEAN Member States and Australia, as well as representatives from the ASEAN Secretariat.
3. The ASEAN Member States and Australia exchanged views on the current measures and practical activities undertaken in addressing the evolving immigration, consular affairs and border management issues in the region, as well as on training needs and priority areas for support.
4. The Consultation welcomed the *ad referendum* adoption of the 2025-2026 ASEAN-Australia Programme of Work on 7 April 2026 and commended the progress achieved in carrying out activities outlined therein.
5. The ASEAN Member States expressed appreciation to Australia for its continued commitment to cooperate with ASEAN and support the capability of ASEAN law enforcement officials through capacity building activities. In this regard, the Consultation welcomed the outcomes of the 8th ASEAN-Australia Immigration Training Committee (ITC) Meeting held virtually on 7 May 2026, which identified the training needs and future areas of ASEAN-Australia cooperation on immigration matters. The Consultation noted the ongoing development of the draft



2026-2027 ASEAN-Australia Programme of Work and looked forward to its adoption and effective implementation.

6. The Consultation welcomed the offer by Indonesia to host the 22nd DGICM + Australia Consultation that would be held in conjunction with the 30th DGICM and Its Related Meetings in 2027.
7. The Consultation expressed gratitude to the Government and the people of the Kingdom of Cambodia for the excellent arrangements made for the Consultation and the warm hospitality extended to all delegates.
8. The Co-Chairs thanked all delegates from the ASEAN Member States, Australia and the ASEAN Secretariat for their contribution to the success of the Consultation. The Consultation was held in the traditional spirit of ASEAN solidarity and cordiality.
