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The Role of CTTF

in International Cooperation

against Terrorism

- Rationale for CT Task Force
- II. CTTF Work Plan 2005
- **III.** CTTF Deliverables
- IV. Factors for Effectiveness
- v. Conclusion

BACKGROUND



The rationale for the creation of a task force on counter-terrorism came out of the 2002 Los

Cabos, Mexico Leaders' Statement

"Fighting Terrorism and Promoting Growth"

One year after their Shanghai Statement on cutting trade transaction costs by 5 percent across the region



CTTF Tasks:

- Coordinate the implementation of Leaders' and Ministers' Declarations
- Assist APEC economies to identify and assess counter-terrrorism needs
- Coordinate counter-terrorism capacity building and technical assistance
- Cooperate with international organizations
- Facilitate cooperation on counter-terrorism matters

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION



First Two Years

- Essential establishment work
- Difficulties in agreement on CTTF outcomes
- Coordinative focal point for security concerns



First Chairman

Makarim Wibisono

APEC



In October 2004, RP was acclaimed as the next Chair



- Long experience in counterterrorism
- Familiarity with multi-ethnic and multi-faith governance
- PGMA named a former AFP
 Chief as Chairman

CTTF Work Plan 2005

- A. Respond to Statements
 by Leaders and Ministers
- B. Review Compliance to CTAPs
- C. Continue Action on Key Deliverables
- D. Provide essential support to the APEC structure
- E. Consider new initiatives for APEC Security



DEFEATING TERRORISM

