

From the SECRETARY-GENERAL'S Schedule

December 2001

4 December

APO Secretary-General Takashi Tajima received Ms Meera Bhattarai, Executive Director of Association for Craft Producers, Nepal who paid a courtesy visit to the APO Secretariat. Ms Bhattarai was one of the ten distinguished persons conferred the APO National Award in year 2000.

5 December

Attended, in Tokyo, the Symposium on "IT and Diplomacy" organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan.

13 December

Attended the seminar on "Rethinking East Asian Miracle" jointly organized by the World Bank, the Japan Bank for International Cooperation and the Asian Development Bank Institute. It was held at the Japan Bank for International Cooperation, Tokyo.

14 December

Attended the Commendation Ceremony for the Japan Quality Award Winners for 2001. It was hosted by the Japan Productivity Center for Socio-Economic Development in Tokyo. The award winners were The Dai-ichi Mutual Life Insurance Company and the Imaging and Information Products Division of Seiko Epson Corporation, Japan.

17- 21 December

Official trip to Thailand to attend the APO Forum on Development of NPOs held in Bangkok on 18-20 December. Mr. Tajima also paid courtesy calls on Ms Satri Pradipasen, Deputy Director, Bureau of the Budget, Government of Thailand, and on Dr. Thanong Bidaya, Chairman of the National Economic and Social Development Board of Thailand and Economic Advisor to the Prime Minister of Thailand.



(L-R) Mr. Wanasathop Apirux, Deputy Executive Director, FTPI, Mr. Ken Inoue, Industry Director, APO, Mr. Tajima, Dr. Bidaya and Mr. Suwit Chindasanguan, Assistant Secretary of the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Board, Thailand.

23 December

Attended a reception organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan on the auspicious occasion of the Emperor's Birthday.