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To: Chief Commissioners
International Commissioners
Chief Scout Executive

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5th Asia-Pacific Regional Air/Internet Jamboree
1-2 August 2009

Dear Colleagues:

Greetings from Manila!

The Asia-Pacific Region is pleased to announce that we are organizing the 5th Asia-Pacific Regional (APR) Air/Internet Jamboree, which will be hosted by the Singapore Scouts Association on 1-2 August 2009.

The APR Air/Internet Jamboree is a regional event in which Scouts can contact each other by amateur radio and through the internet. It's the excitement of having a live conversation with a fellow Scout at some other place in the world that attracts so many to this event. The APR Air/Internet Jamboree is a real Jamboree during which Scouting experiences are exchanged and ideas are shared. It's a unique opportunity for Scouts in all age ranges to discover the extent of the worldwide movement, where they belong.

The event is strongly supported by the Singapore Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (SARTS) and the InfoCom Development Agency (IDA) which is the Singapore's local telecommunications regulatory body.

This APR Air/Internet Jamboree Region is a wonderful platform for the regional Scouts to "meet" and establish contacts with one another in real-time since there is little time difference between our countries. We would like to urge your national Scout organization to disseminate this information as widely as possible to all units in your country so they may have the opportunity to take part. Scouts may participate in all or any part of the 48 hours of 1-2 August 2009 weekend.

Help and Information

An "event portal" is currently being constructed at <http://www.scout.org.sg/apraij.htm> By the end of May 2009, this portal will provide the latest information on the APR Air/Internet Jamboree. This portal will also provide activity information, instructions, update on the participating NSOs, their contacts details and the necessary links.

National Scout Organizations (NSOs) are requested to appoint a Coordinator for this APR Air/Internet Jamboree, preferably the person-in-charge of information communication technology, who will be the focal contact person of the Jamboree organizers and the WSB-APR office. Once you have named the Coordinator, kindly send his/her name and contact details.

On behalf of Singapore Scout Association, Mr. Alex Choo will be the coordinator of this event and when replying on this subject, please copy all communications to the Singapore Scout Association.

Let us give opportunity to our Scouts to have a wonderful time during the 5th APR Air/Internet Jamboree!

Thank you and best regards

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Abdullah Rasheed', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Abdullah Rasheed
Regional Director