



JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ
25TH MIKTA FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING
RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL
21 FEBRUARY 2024

1. We, Foreign Ministers of Mexico, Indonesia, Republic of Korea, Türkiye and Australia (MIKTA), gathered in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, for the 25th MIKTA Foreign Ministers' Meeting;
2. This year, we are united under the aegis of Indonesia and its three priorities of strengthening multilateralism, inclusive recovery and digital transformation. We welcomed the elevation of MIKTA's cooperation during the past year, reflected among others by the convening of the MIKTA Leaders' Gathering in New Delhi, India, on 9 September 2023, as well as the resulting Leaders' Joint Press Statement. Encouraged by our shared commitment to democracy, upholding international law and promoting multilateralism, we will serve as a positive force in addressing shared global challenges;
3. We reiterated our deep concerns regarding the increasingly challenging global strategic environment due to growing division in the world and various other challenges. We are concerned that the world is off track in implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and achieving its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), impacting the world's poorest and most vulnerable. Moreover, political stability, economic recovery and social welfare, global stability, sustainable growth and prosperity, and social and environmental development have been affected globally. As MIKTA's Leaders stated, the world must overcome differences to effectively address such challenges;
4. We express our grave concern over the catastrophic humanitarian situation in the Gaza Strip and the suffering of the Palestinian civilian population, and, underscoring the obligation under international law, including international humanitarian law, for the protection of civilians, demand for an immediate humanitarian ceasefire and humanitarian access as well as the immediate and unconditional release of all hostages. We further call for a just and lasting solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict by peaceful means, based on the relevant United Nations resolutions and in accordance with international law, and on the basis of the two-State solution;
5. We are further deeply concerned with the dire humanitarian consequences of the aggression by the Russian Federation against Ukraine, thus, reaffirm our support for the sovereignty, independence, unity and territorial integrity of Ukraine within its internationally recognized borders. We also call for a cessation of hostilities and further diplomatic efforts to achieve a comprehensive, just and lasting peace in Ukraine;
6. We expressed grave concern over the launch of ballistic missiles, and usage of ballistic missile technology, by the DPRK. The recent surge in the DPRK's intercontinental ballistic missile testing and ballistic missile launches and resulting tensions in the Korean Peninsula are a worrisome development that threatens peace and stability in the region. We reiterated our commitment to the full implementation of all relevant UN Security Council Resolutions. We noted international efforts to bring about the complete, verifiable, and irreversible denuclearisation of the DPRK in a peaceful manner.
7. We shared the view that it is essential for all nations to reaffirm their commitment to uphold international law, strengthen the multilateral system, with the United Nations at its core, and defend all purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations.



Hence, we reiterate our commitment to democracy, international law, multilateralism and international cooperation, as well as to strive for pragmatic and creative solutions to regional and global challenges;

8. We noted with appreciation the fourteen Joint Statements produced and delivered by MIKTA in various global fora in the past year. Furthermore, we recognised the formulation of MIKTA's common positions in multilateral fora is critical in bridging the interests of developed and developing countries as well as forging mutual understanding and consensus. To that end, we encourage our policy planning officials to identify issues of common interest and relevant global fora where MIKTA can play a greater role and contribute towards;
9. We also encourage our diplomatic missions abroad to continue their cooperation on issues of common interest as well as organizing events which will contribute to the visibility of MIKTA and enhancement of people-to-people contacts.
10. We are resolved to strengthen our joint actions and reinforce our constructive role through concrete collaborations to ensure MIKTA's continued contributions to the world, and thus, support the continuation and expansion of efforts conducted under the MIKTA Development Cooperation Network to answer the shared development challenges for the most vulnerable and disadvantaged regions of the world;
11. We acknowledged our Leaders' mandate to deepen ties and find common ground to strengthen cooperation between our countries and are encouraged by various initiatives aimed at deepening cooperation between MIKTA countries. We task our Senior Officials to explore avenues to enhance such initiatives in the future and to further promote MIKTA's visibility in the international and regional stages;
12. We expressed our thanks and high appreciation to Indonesia for its stewardship of MIKTA over the past year and shared our strong support for Mexico's chairmanship of MIKTA for the upcoming year.

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
21 February 2024