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**GOPAC** is a worldwide alliance of parliamentarians working together to combat corruption, strengthen good government, and uphold the rule of law.

## **GOPAC Anti-Corruption Conference Emphasises Need for Leadership by Parliamentarians in Achieving Corruption-free Society**

**Ottawa** – The Global Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption (GOPAC) has invited over 1500 legislators to its fifth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption, calling on parliamentarians the world over to take a leadership role in promoting good governance and the rule of law under the theme *Good Leaders, Good Laws, Good Citizens*.

The Global Conference will assemble GOPAC members and prospective members from all over the world, in Manila, Philippines, 31 January - 2 February 2013, along with international organizations and observers committed to fighting corruption. Together, they will engage in searching discussions to develop the strategies and capacity for democratically elected parliamentarians to combat corruption.

“If we are to win the war against corruption, we need parliamentarians to take an active role in the fight,” said GOPAC Chair, Dr Naser Al Sane. “I call on parliamentarians and anti-corruption organizations around the world to join us in Manila and to ensure that we are all engaged leaders with the power to stop corruption in its tracks.”

The conference is a joint initiative of the Senate of Philippines, GOPAC, South East Asian Parliamentarians Against Corruption, and the GOPAC National Chapter in the Philippines. Conference workshops and meetings will take place at the Philippine International Convention Center in Manila.

GOPAC is a worldwide alliance of parliamentarians working together to combat corruption, strengthen good government, and uphold the rule of law. Based in Ottawa, Canada, GOPAC has 50 national chapters on 5 continents. GOPAC supports its members’ efforts through original research, global anti-corruption capacity building, and international peer support.

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