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Dear PACS Members:

Warm greetings!

The current pandemic is posing many challenges to everyone. Our life under the new normal situation has affected many of our usual routines. But we should remain steadfast, resilient, and strong as this crisis will soon come to pass. Our association, therefore, remains undaunted to resume our activities under the new situation.

On 3 October 2020 at 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, our association will hold our General Assembly coinciding with our annual celebration of the Mid-Autumn Festival. Unlike our usual GA, we will hold our gathering via Zoom where we have prepared some exciting activities to sustain our contacts with all of you and to strengthen our bond as members.

Aside from fun games, members will enjoy a good time to interact with Ambassador Jose Santiago “Chito” Santa Romana who just accepted our invitation for him to serve as a member of our Advisory Board. Dr. Wilfrido Villacorta, former Philippine Ambassador to ASEAN, and Mr. Jaime FlorCruz, former Beijing Bureau Chief of CNN, will also join us in the conversation. PACS confers the title of Honorary Fellows to Dr. Villacorta and Mr. FlorCruz.

During our GA, we will have the oath-taking of new members of the PACS Board of Directors and announce the current members of the PACS Board of Advisers. We will also welcome volunteers to be members of our existing committees.

We therefore invite all of you to join our GA by accomplishing this registration form: <https://bit.ly/pacsga2020>

Please also encourage your friends and colleagues to join us in our celebration and become members.

We look forward to your participation, which is essential to hold our GA successfully.

Very truly yours,

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