



## SEMINAR

### Cambodia-China Relations: More than just friends

Date: Tuesday, 2 March 2010

Time: 3.30 pm – 5.00 pm

Venue: Seminar Room II, ISEAS

#### About the Speaker

Ambassador Julio A Jeldres  
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Ambassador Julio A. Jeldres was Senior Private Secretary (Chef de Secretariat) and Special Assistant to King Norodom Sihanouk between 1981 and 1991 and since 1993, has been the retired King's Official Biographer. He has produced four books documenting the history of the Cambodian monarchy, the history of the Royal Family and has translated the memoirs of King Sihanouk from French into English. He is presently a Research Fellow at Monash University in Melbourne (Australia) and is writing the biography of King Sihanouk and a PhD thesis on Cambodia's Foreign Policy.

#### About the Seminar

The Kingdom of Cambodia and China celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries in 2008. The Kingdom of Cambodia was one of the first countries to recognize and to establish relations with the People's Republic of China in July 1958 and to recognize Chinese sovereignty over Taiwan.

The two countries enjoy a unique relationship which grew out of the personal friendship and close association between the late Chinese Premier Zhou Enlai and the now retired King Norodom Sihanouk of Cambodia.

Ambassador Jeldres will be speaking on how the relationship between the two countries grew after a meeting between the late Premier Zhou Enlai and King Sihanouk, on the sidelines of the Bandung Conference in 1955.

*ISEAS is pleased to invite you to this Seminar.*