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**New Commissioner for Lao PDR**

We have been informed that Dr Kaviphone Phouthavong, Director-General, Department of Livestock and Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, has been appointed as the new Commissioner for Lao PDR. Dr Kaviphone Phouthavong replaces Dr Bounkhouang Khambounheuang who has retired.

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Please join me in welcoming Dr Phouthavong to the Commission.

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