

VIC Deputy Country Representative Travels to the United States for Meetings and Capacity Development

The International Center recently welcomed Tokyo Bak, the Deputy Country Representative for Veterans International Cambodia (VIC) to the United States from March 5th to March 13th, 2011. Tokyo attended a seminar entitled, “Management for First Time Supervisors,” presented by Inside NGO. Also, Tokyo participated in numerous meetings at our DC offices with staff members on a wide range of programmatic and administrative topics. Also on his trip, Tokyo was able to spend time in New York City with one of our organization’s consultants, Arthur Webb.



Tokyo met with International Center consultant, Arthur Webb (left), in front of Grand Central Station in New York City on his recent trip to the United States.



VIC Deputy Country Representative Tokyo Bak visited the United States Capitol on his recent visit to the United States.

Tokyo arrived on March 5th, 2011. He spent the weekend recovering from jet lag and seeing some of the sites around

Washington, DC. Tokyo came to The International Center’s offices on Monday, March 7th. There, he met with staff members and engaged in meetings and presentations regarding VIC’s programs and its role within The International Center. That night, The International Center held a special dinner at Chief Financial Officer Nain Anderson’s house for Tokyo.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, March 8th-9th, Tokyo and Chief Program Officer Catalina Serna-Valencia went to New York City. While there, they met with Arthur Webb, a consultant for The International Center. Arthur will be helping to conduct the market research study for VIC in April 2011. Tokyo and Catalina met with Mr. Webb at his office and had dinner with him on Tuesday night. On Wednesday, Catalina and Tokyo took in some of the sights in New York City before heading back to Washington, DC, in the afternoon.



On Thursday, March 10th, Tokyo participated in the Inside NGO seminar. The seminar was held at the Carnegie Conference Center in Washington, DC, which discussed the unique positional leverage of the manager and how to use that positional leverage in an NGO setting. The seminar involved a customized, hands-on curriculum for participants based on their goals and their management experience.

On Friday, Tokyo was back at The International Center offices, this time meeting with Nain and Catalina to further discuss administrative and programmatic issues related to VIC's work within The International Center. Over the weekend, Tokyo took time to see more of the sights around DC before flying back to Cambodia on Sunday.



Tokyo and Catalina Serna-Valencia, The International Center's Chief Program Officer, visited the Empire State Building in New York City while he was in the United States.