

Banning Asbestos in Asia

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**Are Asbestos Victims still Invisible ?
India 2012**



Hong Kong



Taiwan



Asbestos Victims Groups in Asia

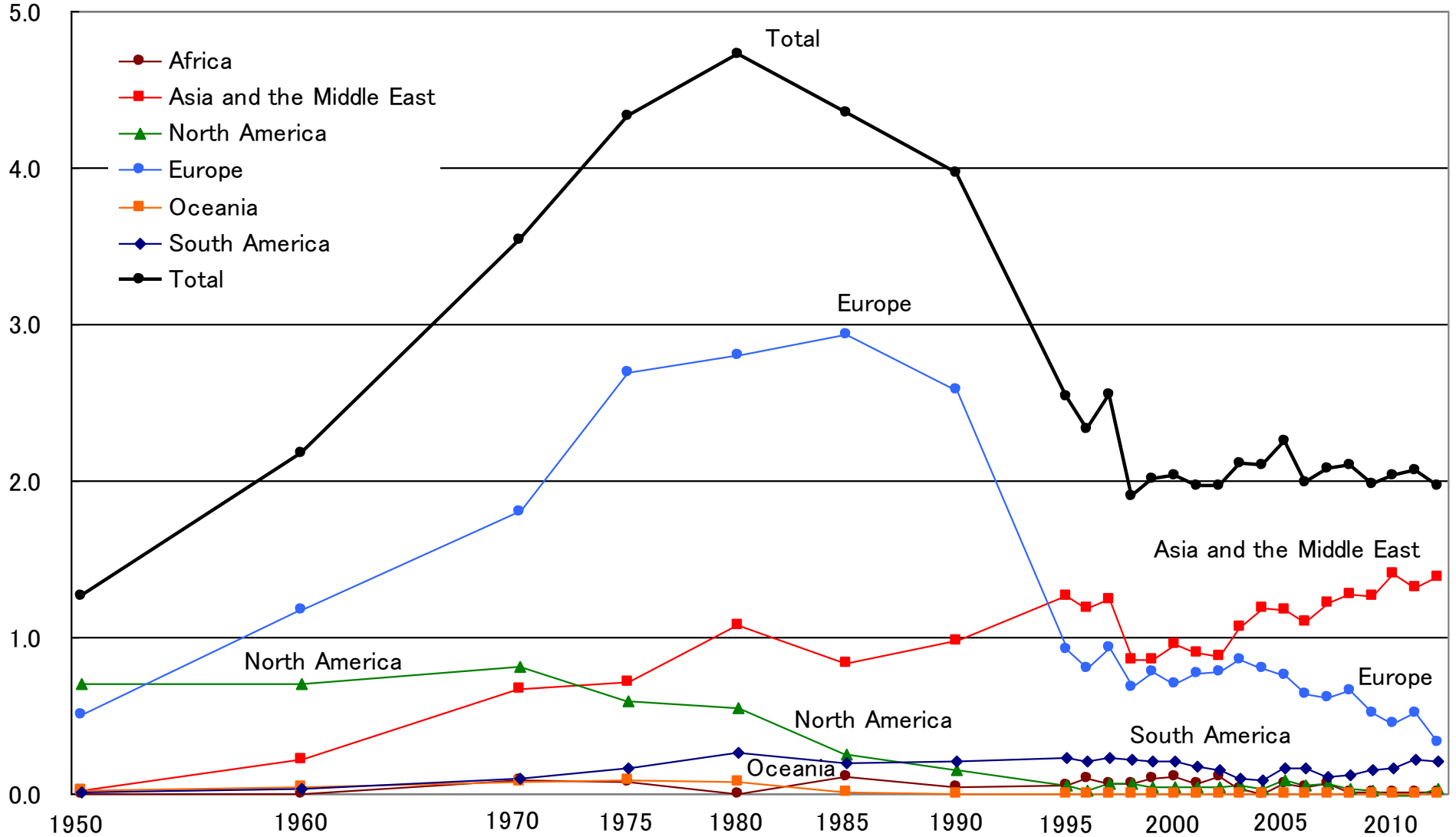
Korea



Japan

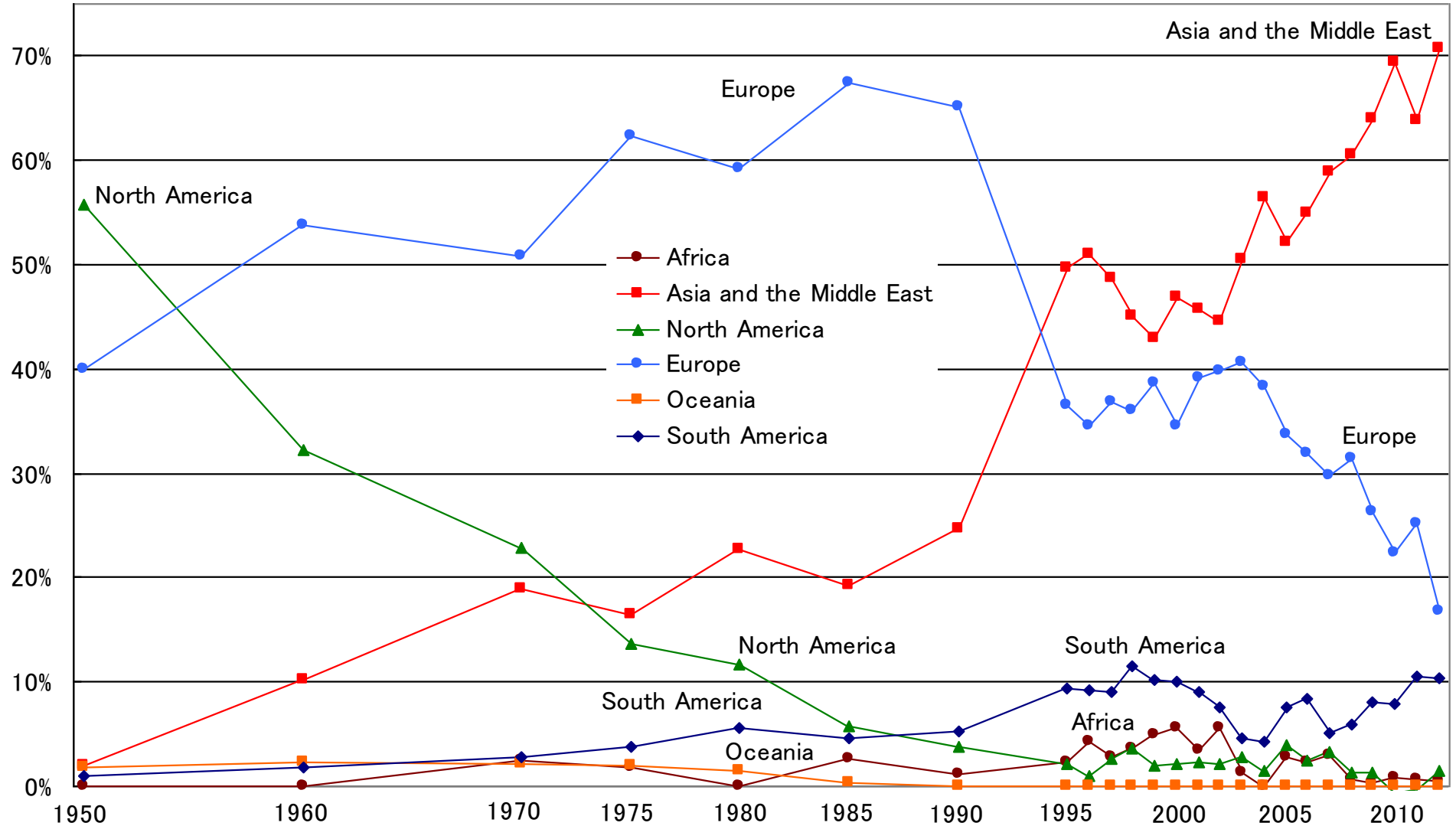
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millions of metric tonnes



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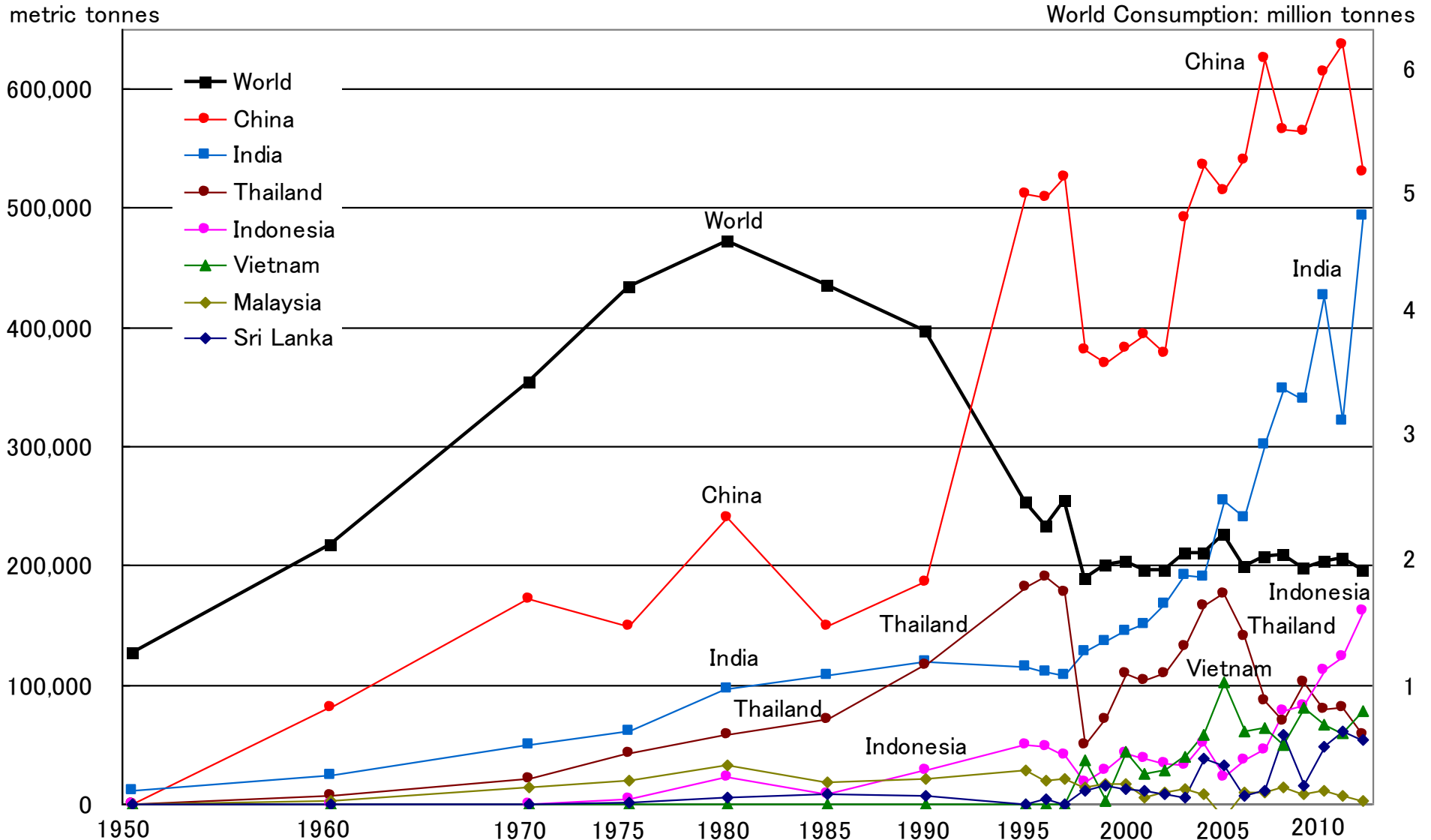
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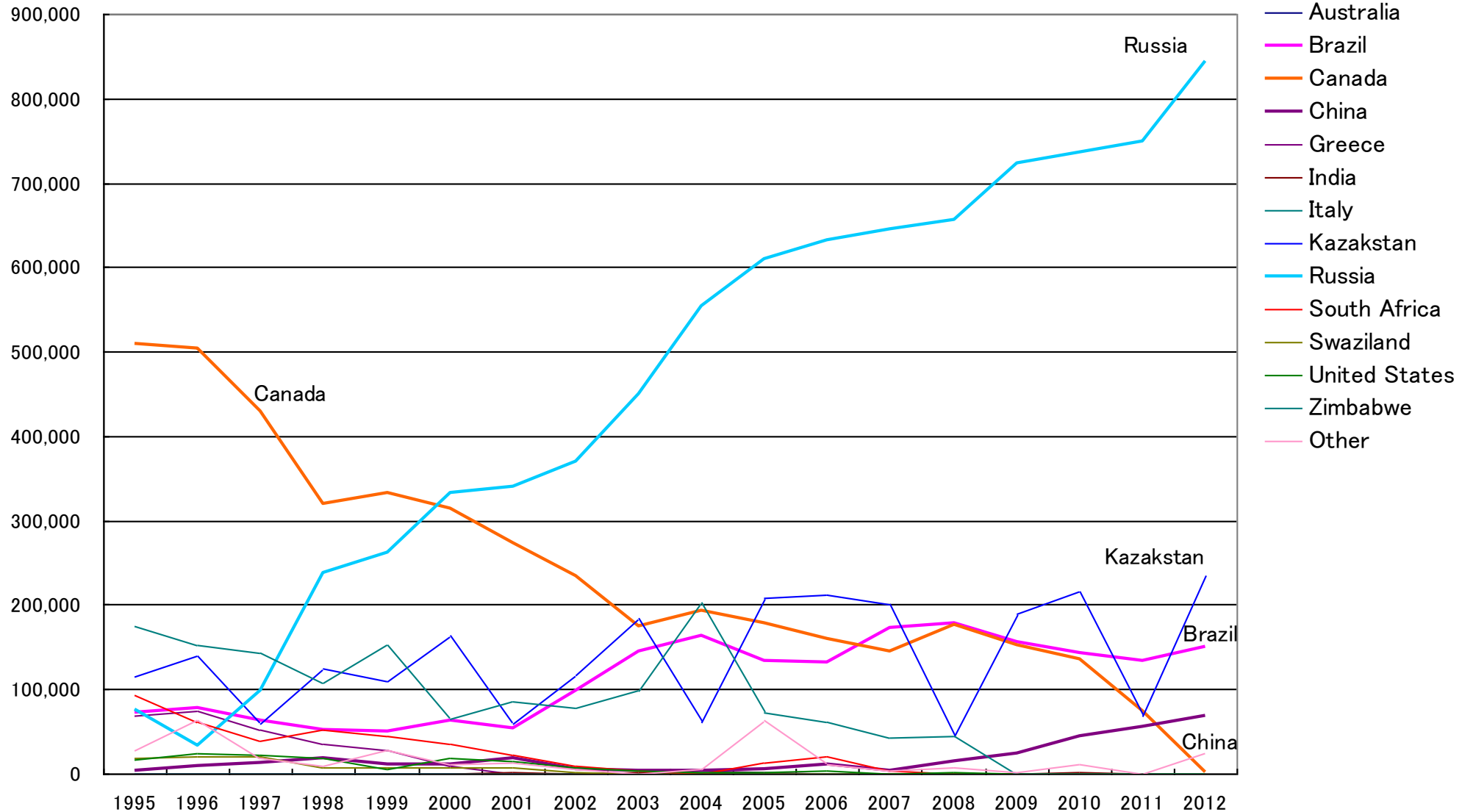
Top 10 Asbestos Consuming Countries in 2012

	Country	Asbestos Consumption (tonnes)	
1	China	530,834	27.1%
2	India	493,086	25.1%
3	Brazil	167,602	8.5%
4	Indonesia	161,824	8.2%
5	Russia	155,476	7.9%
6	Uzbekistan	103,608	5.3%
7	Vietnam	78,909	4.0%
8	Thailand	58,008	3.0%
9	Sri Lanka	54,704	2.8%
10	Ukraine	42,000	2.1%
	World Total	1,961,728	100.0%

Trend of Asbestos Consumption by Country: Asia 1950-2012

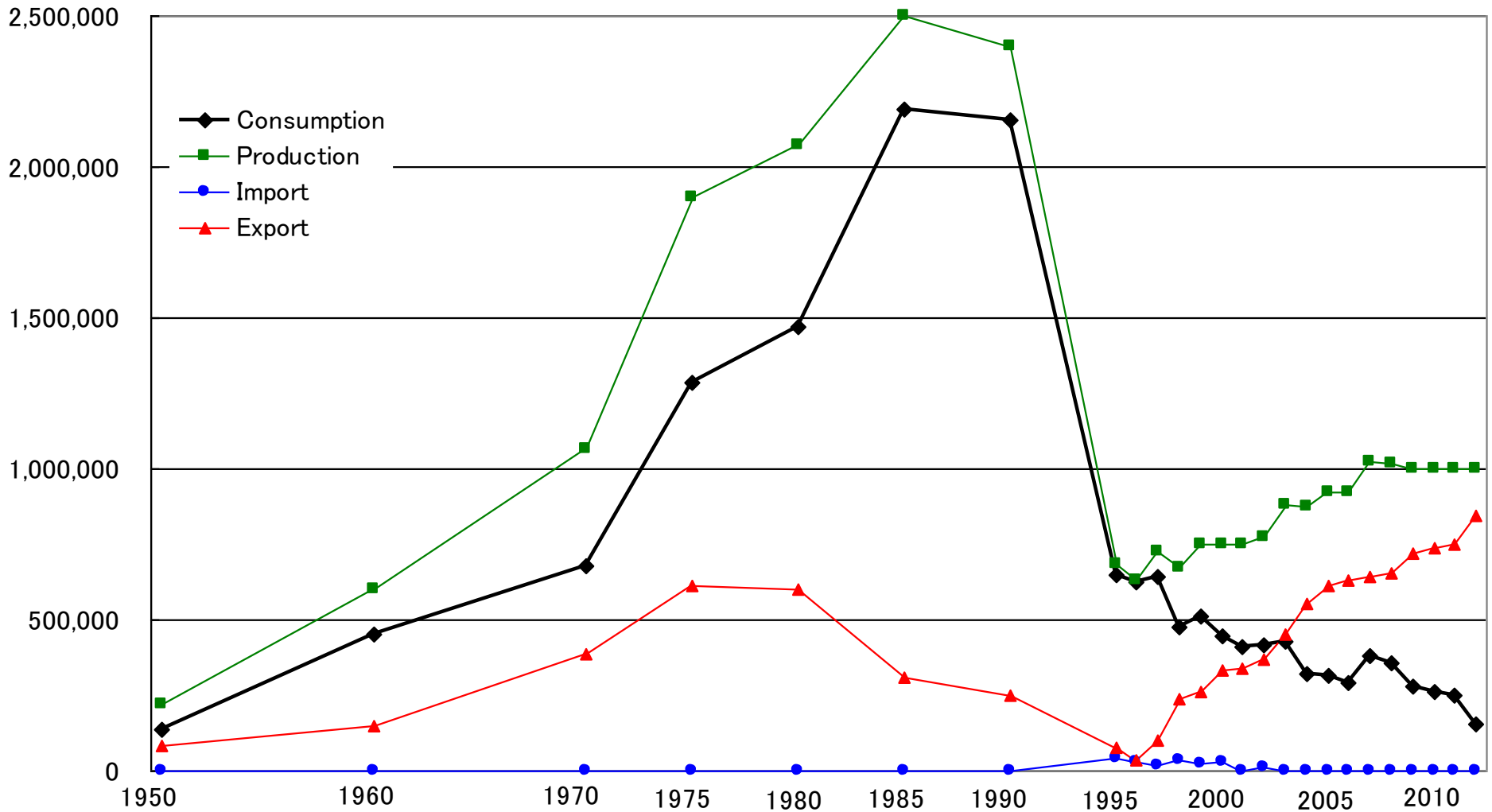


Global Asbestos Export 1995-2012

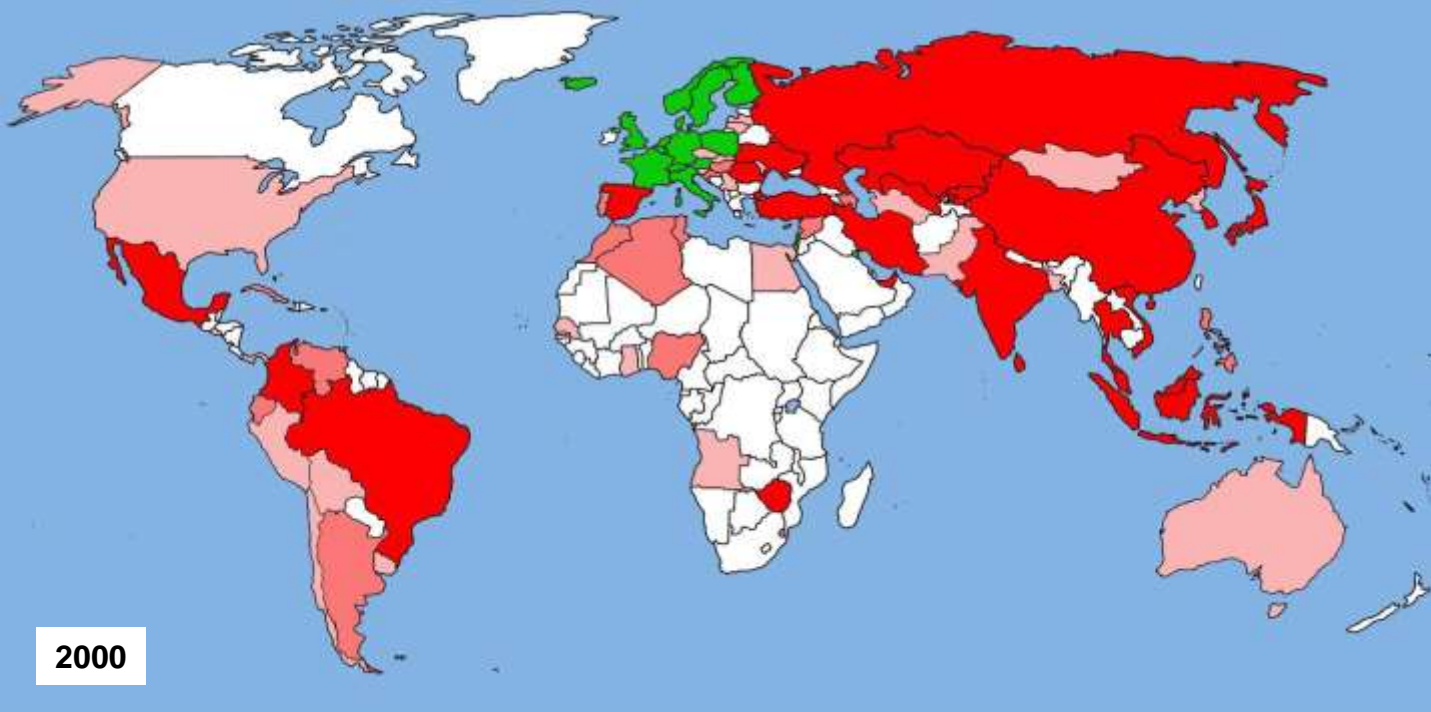


Worldwide Asbestos Supply and Consumption Trends from 1900 to 2003, 2004 – 2011, US Geological Survey

Soviet Union & Russia 1950-2012

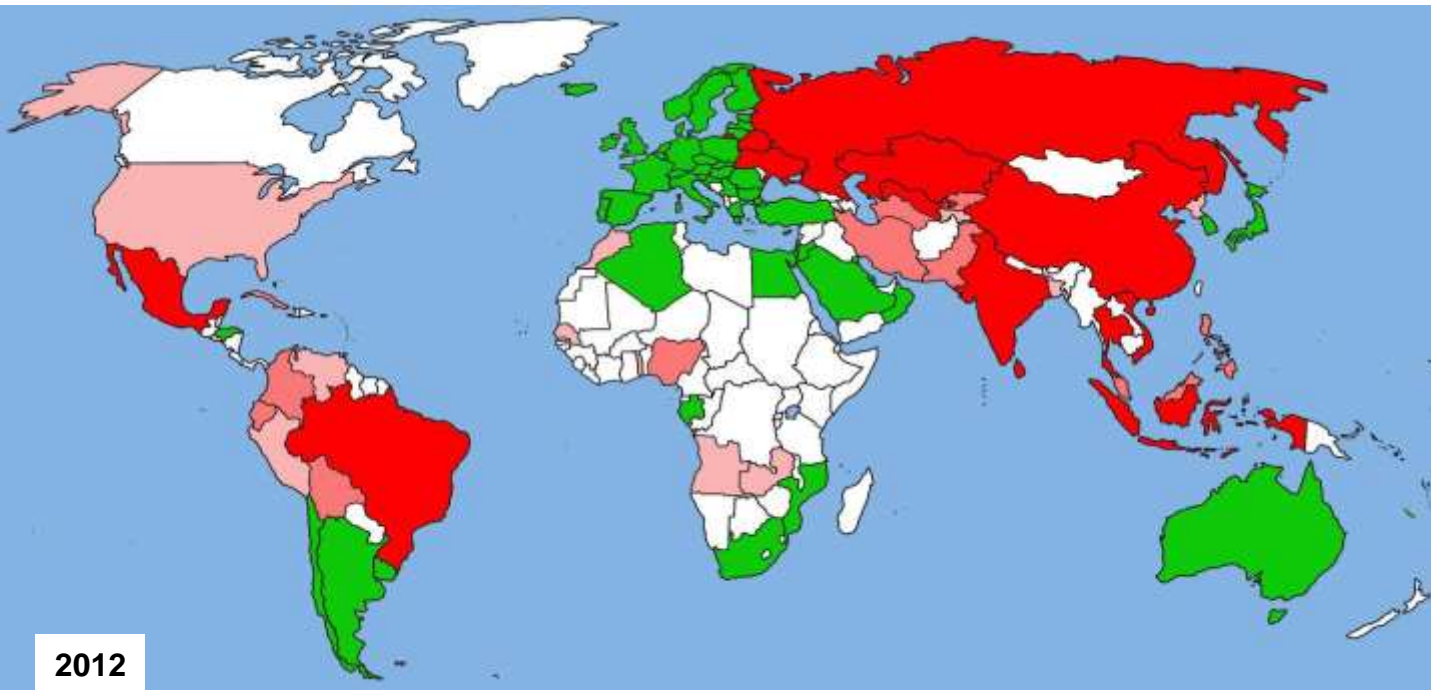


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Comparison of Asbestos Consumption and National Bans for 2000 and 2012

By IBAS



 >10,000 tonnes

 2000-10,000 tonnes

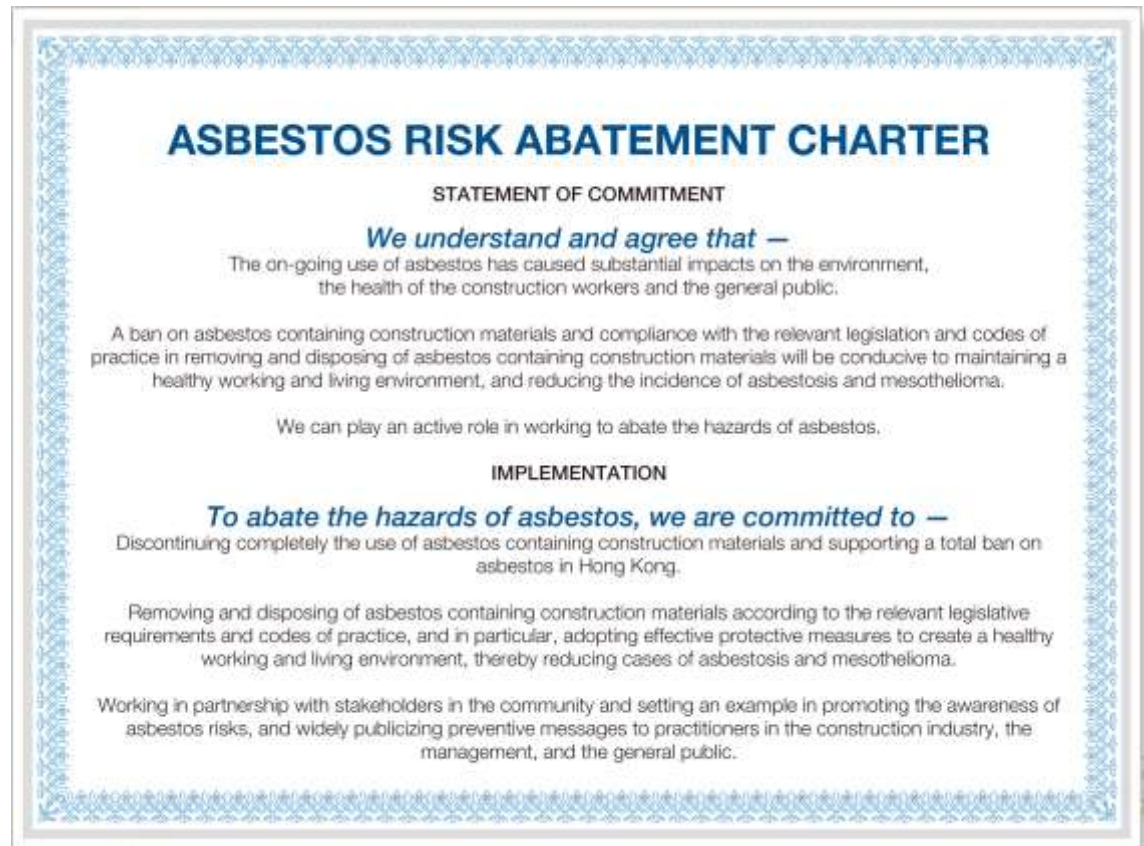
 500-2000 tonnes

 Bans



Hong Kong has introduced a ban on April 4th 2014

EPA: “Banning Asbestos” page
www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/environmentinhk/air/guide_ref/Banning_asbestos.html



Pneumoconiosis Compensation Fund Board and social partners signed a charter on Nov 7, 2013.

Hong Kong Government said:

- Banning asbestos to reduce the risk of exposure to asbestos has become an international trend.
- The Amendment Ordinance will further reduce the risk of public exposure to environmental asbestos by imposing a total ban on asbestos.
- Except for goods in transit and registered proprietary Chinese medicine, the import, transshipment, supply and use of all forms of asbestos will be banned to prevent asbestos from entering Hong Kong.
- It also makes related amendments to the Factories and Industrial Undertakings (Asbestos) Regulation to ban works with all types of asbestos in industrial undertakings.



**“No More Asbestos in Hong Kong” Alliance
was reactivated by AAC2009**

Asian Ban Asbestos Network (A-BAN) launched at the Asian Asbestos Conference (AAC2009) April 26-28, 2009, Hong Kong

Objectives:

- facilitate a total asbestos ban in Asia as soon as possible;
- take steps to reveal the hidden epidemic of asbestos-related diseases in Asian countries;
- reveal the widespread asbestos contamination of Asian infrastructures;
- stop the international transfer of the asbestos industry;
- obtain justice for all asbestos victims, family members and affected communities;
- achieve an asbestos-free society in Asia and globally.



A-BAN: Asian Ban Asbestos Network

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GAC2000, Brazil



GAC2004, Japan

**BANJAN 1987
(Japan)**

**Victims Network
ANROEV2003 ->**



**Trade Union
Asbestos
Campaign**



AAC2006, Thailand



**Seoul/Busan 2008
Ban Asbestos Network
BANKO (Korea)**



AAC2009, Hong Kong



A-BAN 2009 Meeting

September 21, 2009, Phnum Penh, Cambodia

ANROAV 2009, September 22-24





A-BAN 2010 Meeting

October 17, 2010, Bandung, Indonesia

Indonesia Ban Asbestos Network (Ina-BAN)



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Real Asbestos Situation in Asia Indonesia 2010

Isabelle Hachey
La Presse

Penché au milieu d'un dépotoir, un enfant fouille les déchets à mains nues. Derrière lui, des adultes utilisent de grands sacs pour récupérer du plastique, des planches et des morceaux de ciment. Leurs sacs portent le

2010 Asian Solidarity Delegation to Quebec

- **Members** – Sugio Furuya and Kazumi Yoshizaki (BANJAN), Yeyong Choi and Jong-rim Lee (BANKO), Mochamad Darisman (Ina-BAN), Anup Srivasta (BWI-India) and Omana George (AMRC)
- **Dec 7** – Press conference at community center and public meeting at the University of Quebec in Montreal
- **Dec 8** – Morning interview by CBC, meeting with CSD (local TU organization), meeting with Parti Quebecois (opposition party) and public meeting at the University of Laval in Quebec City
- **Dec 9** – Press conference at the National Assembly in Ottawa and press conference at the National Assembly and meeting with Ministry of Economic Development in Quebec
- **Dec 10** – Demonstration outside Premier Charest Office in Montreal

Please see: http://ibasecretariat.org/quebec_mission_2010_arch_list.php



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2010 Asian Solidarity Delegation to Quebec



International Solidarity Campaign

Tokyo, Japan,
Dec 7



Delhi, India,
Dec 9



Mumbai, India,
Dec 10



Seoul, Korea,
Dec 7

Hong Kong,
China, Dec 9



London, UK,
Dec 9



Paris, France,
Dec 9



Manila,
Philippines,
Dec 9



A-BAN 2011 Meeting

November 14-15, 2011, Jaipur, India

ANROEV 2011, November 16-18



2012 A-BAN/T-BAN Meetings

November 19-20, 2012, Bangkok



Malignant Mesothelioma

LUNG CENTER OF THE PHILIPPINES

Patients with a Malignant Mesothelioma (Pleural); 2000-2012

11 cases: Age range: 49-74 years old

Philippine Cancer Society

33 registered cases of Malignant Mesothelioma (Pleural) in the Philippine Cancer Society

Information provided are "not certified"

Secretary of Health



ALU/TUCP

2013 AAI International Seminar

November 14-15, 2013, Manila, Philippines



AAI 6th INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON THE ASIAN ASBESTOS INITIATIVE

"STRATEGIC APPROACHES TOWARDS THE
ELIMINATION OF ASBESTOS RELATED DISEASES"

NOVEMBER 14 - 15, 2013
PAN PACIFIC MANILA, PHILIPPINES



2013 A-BAN Meeting Bangladesh Ban Asbestos Network (B-BAN)

November 22-23, 2013, Dhaka, Bangladesh



Launching

Ban Asbestos Network in Bangladesh (B-BAN)

AR Chowdhury Repon
OSD, Bangladesh

Eng. Tahir Rahman
Secretary & Registrar, OSH, Bangladesh

Dr. Md. Ruhul Quddus
Director of Labour (retd.)

Coalition Building and Empowerment of Victims and Their Families

- 1987 Ban Asbestos Network **Japan (BANJAN)**
- 2002 Ban Asbestos Network **India (BANI)** / 2006 Occupational and Environmental Health Network **India (OEHNI)**
- 2008 Ban Asbestos Network **Korea (BANKO)**
- 2009 No More Asbestos in **Hong Kong Alliance**
- **2009 Asian Ban Asbestos Network (A-BAN)**
- 2010 Indonesia Ban Asbestos Network (**Ina-BAN**)
- 2011 Malaysia Ban Asbestos Network (**M-BAN**) - agreement
- 2012 Thailand Ban Asbestos Network (**T-BAN**)
- 2013 Bangladesh Ban Asbestos Network (**B-BAN**)
- Groups of asbestos victims exist in **Japan, Korea and India**. Occupational victims groups in **Hong Kong and Taiwan** are supporting asbestos victims.

International Instruments as Leading Winds -1

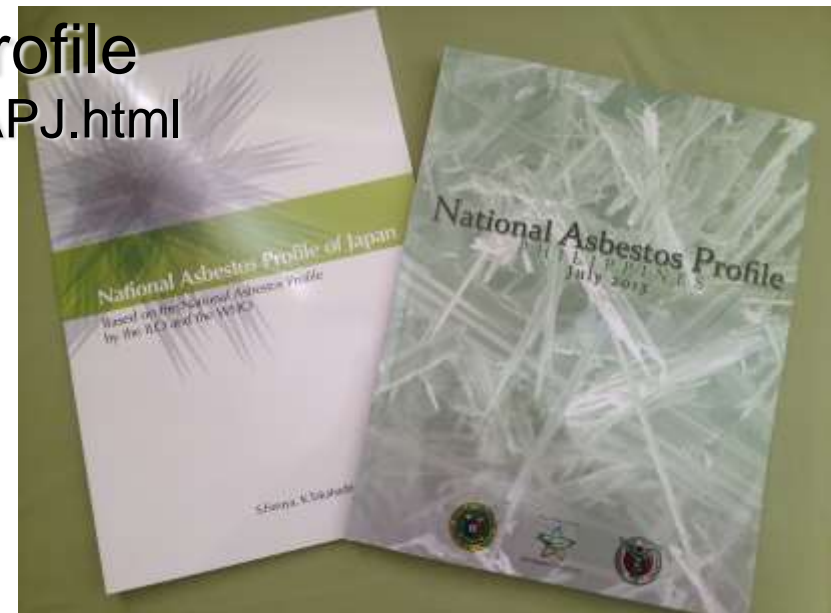
- **2006 ILO “The Resolution Concerning Asbestos”**
<http://www.ilo.org/public/english/standards/relm/ilc/ilc95/pdf/pr-20.pdf>
- **2006 WHO Policy Paper on “Elimination of Asbestos-Related Disease”**
http://www.who.int/occupational_health/publications/asbestosrelateddisease/en/index.html
- **2007 ILO/WHO “Outline for the Development of National Programmes for the Elimination of Asbestos-Related Diseases”**
http://www.ilo.org/safework/info/publications/WCMS_108555/lang--en/index.htm
- **2006 ISSA “Asbestos: Towards a Worldwide Ban”**
[http://www.issa.int/Resources/ISSA-Publications/Asbestos-Towards-a-worldwide-ban/\(language\)/eng-GB](http://www.issa.int/Resources/ISSA-Publications/Asbestos-Towards-a-worldwide-ban/(language)/eng-GB)
- **2009 World Bank Group “Good Practice Note: Asbestos: Occupational and Community Health Issues”**
<http://siteresources.worldbank.org/EXTPOPS/Resources/AsbestosGuidanceNoteFinal.pdf>
good introduction when you think how to safely deal with existing asbestos

International Instruments as Leading Winds -2

- **2010 Parma Declaration on Environment and Health**
<http://www.euro.who.int/en/who-we-are/policy-documents/parma-declaration-on-environment-and-health>
- **2010 MERCOSUR Declaration on Asbestos**
http://www.ibasecretariat.org/mercosur_dec_jun9_2010_eng.pdf
- **2011 WHO-WPRO, Regional Framework for OH 2011-2015**
http://www.wpro.who.int/environmental_health/documents/For_Web_Upload_Regional_Framework_for_Action_for_Occupational/en/index.html
- **2012 JPC-SE Position Statement on Asbestos**
http://www.jpc-se.org/documents/03.JPC-SE-Position_Statement_on_Asbestos-June_4_2012-Full_Statement_and_Appendix_A.pdf
- **2012 UICC Position Statement on Asbestos**
<http://www.rightoncanada.ca/?p=1549>
- **2012/13 ICOH Statement: Global Asbestos Ban and the Elimination of Asbestos-Related Diseases**
http://www.ichweb.org/site_new/ico_news_detail.asp?id=83
- **2013 Toolkit for the Elimination of ARDs** [mainly for Asian countries]
<http://envepi.med.uoeh-u.ac.jp/toolkit/index.html>

National Asbestos Profile

- 2007 **ILO/WHO** “Outline for the Development of National Programmes for the Elimination of Asbestos-Related Diseases”
http://www.ilo.org/safework/info/publications/WCMS_108555/lang--en/index.htm
- **Vietnam** NILP: National Profile on Asbestos-related Occupational Health
- 2013 **Japan**: National Asbestos Profile
<http://envepi.med.uoeh-u.ac.jp/aai/NAPJ/NAPJ.html>
- 2013 **Philippines**:
DOH & UP supported by RC
- 2014 **Lao PDR**:
relevant ministries and LFTU, June



Conclusion

- Immediate priority is more **national bans** in Asia (and the world) as early as possible.
- Reducing national/global asbestos consumption.
- **Regional** target setting on the deadline for NPEAD development at ministerial level like Europe and MERCOSUR, etc.
- Powerful **international** instrument/initiative to facilitate ban on asbestos
- **But the above two should not be used as an excuse for not introducing national ban at this moment.**
- Coalition building, detecting and empowerment of asbestos victims and their families.
- Raising awareness and creating/supporting real actions through various ways – role of trade unions is important.



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