

Prime Minister Aso attending the plenary session.



measures and pledged to provide \$22 billion in fresh trade finance funds to developing countries and to expand official development assistance (ODA) to Asian economies up to \$20 billion.

The G20 representatives agreed to increase the financial base of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to \$850 billion to enable it to inject fresh liquidity into the world economy. Japan expressed its intention to contribute about \$100 billion.

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Prime Minister Aso shaking hands with Premier Wen Jiabao and President Lee Myung-bak before their talks.

Prime Minister Taro Aso visited Pattaya, Thailand, on April 11 to attend a series of ASEAN-related summit meetings. He had separate talks with Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao and ROK President Lee Myung Bak. Later, prime minister Aso attended a trilateral summit with Premier Wen and President Lee to discuss a range of issues, including issues related to North Korea.

After the summit, referring to the international response to North Korea's missile launch, Aso said: I believe that through these summit meetings we have confirmed that the three countries have achieved a significant convergence of views on the content of a message to be sent out from the Security Council for the protection of the peace and safety of Northeast Asia, even more than the form that the message would take.