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Invitation to a Luncheon Briefing

The Return of Congress!

India's 2004 Elections and Beyond

India, the world's largest democracy, second-most populous state, fifth-largest economy and sixth declared nuclear weapons power has just returned a Congress government to power after five years of BJP rule. This stunning result has myriad implications for the domestic and international economy and security of India. How were the elections won and lost? What is the future of India's programme of economic liberalisation? What are the implications for India's relations with Pakistan and other countries? This luncheon briefing will examine these and other questions related to the results of India's 2004 parliamentary elections.

Chair: **Mr Malcolm Subhan**, Vice Chair, European Institute for Asian Studies

With speakers:

Dr Kunal Sen

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Friday, 28 May 2004

From 12.30-13.00 for Luncheon, then 13.00-14.30 for the Briefing and Q&A

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