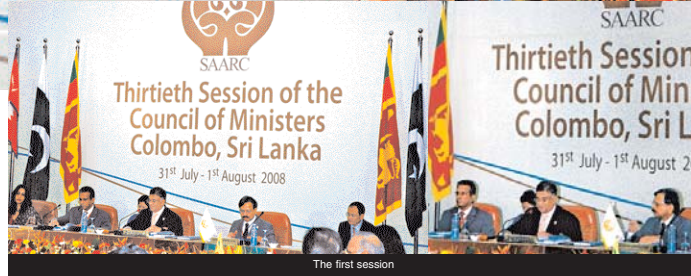


30th Session of Council of SAARC Ministers



Sri Lanka receives the Chair



The first session



Delegates arrive for the council meeting (above and below)



The 30th Session of the Council of Ministers of SAARC countries (Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Pakistan, India, Maldives and Afghanistan) commenced yesterday at the BMICH, Colombo. Sri Lankan Foreign Minister Rohitha Bogollagama assumed the Chair of the Council of Ministers at this meeting. Indian External Affairs Minister Pranab Mukherjee was the outgoing Chairman. The Council is deliberating on a range of issues facing SAARC including terrorism, food, security, energy, climate change and poverty alleviation.



Media personnel



Highlights of the meeting (above and below) Pictures by Sudath Nishantha

