

Resolution on Humanitarian Aid to Syria, Iraq, Yemen, Gaza and Myanmar on The Verge of the Humanitarian Catastrophe

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We, the Members of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly,

Welcoming the establishment of ceasefire regime in SAR ON 30 December 2016 and the Memorandum on the escalating areas in the SAR, signed in Astana, Republic of Kazakhstan, on 4 May 2017;

Recalling UN Security Council resolutions 2139 and 2165;

Being concerned about the ongoing humanitarian catastrophe in Syria, Iraq, Yemen, Gaza and Myanmar and about deprivations inflicted upon the internally displaced persons and refugees or any other affected in those countries;

Acknowledging that the international organizations, including parliamentary ones and NGOs and individual countries shall support delivery of humanitarian aid to civilians trapped in a humanitarian crisis across the globe;

Welcoming APA countries who have announced opening their international borders to refugees; *

Call upon APA member-states to:

- **1. Deliver** humanitarian support to Syrian, Iraqi, Yemeni and Myanmar civilians across conflict lines and border crossings both multilaterally and bilaterally in accordance with UN General Assembly Resolution 46/182;
- **2. Support** efforts of countries that host refugees and humanitarian aid and recommend to take every effort to facilitate aid delivery in Iraq, Syria, Yemen, Gaza and Myanmar;
- **3.** Encourage all relevant parties to further allow UN humanitarian agencies and their partners to utilize routes across conflict lines and border crossings in Syria in accordance with UN General Assembly resolution 46/182 and UN Security Council resolutions 2139 and 2165;
- 4. **Provide** assistance to Iraq, Syrian, Yemeni, Gaza and Myanmar internally displaced persons and refugees, deprived of basic needs and desperate in search of shelter;

5. Stress that humanitarian aid delivery in Syria, Iraq, Yemen, Gaza and Myanmar should be carried on in accordance with International Humanitarian Law and National Legislations of these States and condemn any attempt to violate those laws.

6. Assist in creating conditions for the safe and voluntary return of refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) to their original places of residence in Syria and Iraq

*Indian delegation expressed reservation on this paragraph.