

Draft Resolution on Asian Parliaments and Governments Together for Prosperity in Asia

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*We, the Members of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly,*

*Recalling* APA resolutions on Mobilizing Interactions Between APA and AsianGovernments (APA/Res/2015/02—11 December 2015); Engaging APA with Asian Governments and Inter-Governmental Organizations (APA/Res/2014/02); Asian Parliaments and Governments: Together for Solidarity and Prosperity in Asia (APA/Res/2013/02 –9 December 2013); Measures for Enhancing Cooperation Between APA and Asian Governments (APA/Res/2010/11, 30 November 2010) and resolution on Enhancing Cooperation Between Asian Parliamentary Assembly Member Parliaments and Their Governments for Implementation of APA Decisions (APA/Res/2008/10, 29 November 2008);

*Emphasizing* the need to foster closer coordination and cooperation between APA andGovernments of APA Member Parliaments;

Taking note of the necessity of smooth cooperation and coordination between Parliaments and Governments in order to pass relevant enactments;

*Encouraging* Member Parliaments to consider endorsing and adopting common legislationson issues of mutual interest to both APA and Asian Governments;

We invite Member Parliaments to develop strategies to support government efforts in relation to development in Asia through inter-parliamentary cooperation to exchange information and knowledge, provided that the developed strategy includes plans with measurable and evaluable indicators; (Add a new paragraph: UAE)

We stress the need to adopt strategies to improve the quality of life and prosperity, and provide higher levels of well-being, through the development of policies and laws, the development of local technology, research and innovation at the local level; (Add a new paragraph: UAE)

We stress the importance of investing in human development and activating the concept of partnership between parliaments and their governments to meet future global and Asian economic demands; (Add a new paragraph: UAE)

We invite Asian parliaments to create strategic partnerships, work closely with governments and government institutions and engage the private sector on issues related to promoting human development; (Add a new paragraph: UAE)

Emphasizing the importance of investing in research and scientific studies, the importance of investing in modern technology and innovation, and supporting the 2030 sustainable development goals to achieve development, prosperity and development in Asia; (Add a new paragraph: UAE)

1. **Urge** all Member Parliaments to inform relevant high-ranking officials of theirrespective governments of the great potentials, activities, and achievements of the APA as the largest inter-parliamentary organization in Asia and report thereon to the Secretariat for circulation;
2. **Decide** to form APA parliamentary groups comprising nominated delegatesfrom volunteer Member Parliaments under the supervision of the APA Vice-President for Political Affairs and in full coordination with the APA Secretariat, to hold contacts and meetings with relevant inter-parliamentary and inter-governmental organizations, with a view to converging points of view and considering possible joint initiatives pertaining to regional and global issues, including the creation of an Asian Parliament;
3. **Encourage** Member Parliaments to seek the views of their respectiveGovernments on the subject of Asian Parliament and to contribute to the work of the APA Special Committee on the Creation of Asian Parliament (SCCAP) by providing their points of views and analyses of the subject matter;
4. **Request** APA Member Parliaments to identify and describe their prioritydesirable topics for receiving training, as well their capabilities to offer training and best practices, and share them with other Parliaments through the APA Secretariat, in order to organize training programs on exchanging best practices and learning from each other;
5. **Request** the Vice-President for Political Affairs to report to the ExecutiveCouncil and the Plenary Sessions on his/her activities pertaining to the formation of working groups from interested Member Parliaments to focus on the implementation of APA decisions on political affairs;
6. **Request** the Secretary-General to expand the scope of its contacts andcommunications with inter-governmental as well as inter-parliamentary organizations who work on issues relevant to the items on the APA agenda in order to facilitate further interaction and joint efforts on common grounds with a view to enhancing cooperation between Asian Parliaments and Governments and report thereon to the next session of the APA Standing Committee on Political Affairs and the Executive Council.