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RES. 33GA/2012/WAIPA/01

**RESOLUTION ON
SUPPORTING THE ASEAN MEMBER STATES
IN STRENGTHENING THEIR COLLABORATION IN IMPLEMENTING
THE MDGs TO NARROW DEVELOPMENT GAPS WITHIN AND AMONG
ASEAN MEMBER STATES**

The 33rd General Assembly:

Recalling Resolution 27/GA/WAIPO/2006 on the Role of women Parliamentarians in achieving MDGs, adopted by AIPO GA in Cebu City, the Philippines held from 10-15 September 2006;

Recalling Also Resolution 32GA/2011/Soc/02 on the Role of Parliamentarians of ASEAN Member Countries in Accelerating the Implementation of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) by 2015, adopted at the 32nd AIPA General Assembly held in September 2011 in Phnom Penh, the Kingdom of Cambodia and Resolution 30 GA/2009/WAIPA/01 held in Pattaya City, Thailand, on Women in Economics Development and Poverty Reduction;

Reaffirming the commitment of ASEAN leaders to assist ASEAN Member States in and to create the ASEAN Roadmap as a framework for collective actions among ASEAN Member States to accelerate the achievement of MDGs;

Being aware that AIPA Member Parliaments have the important role to support their governments in realizing an ASEAN Community that is people-centered and socially responsible with a view to build an inclusive and cohesive society where the well-being, livelihood and welfare of the peoples are enhanced;

Acknowledging that one of the purposes of ASEAN is to alleviate poverty and narrow the development gap among ASEAN Member States through mutual assistance and cooperation is essential towards the realization of a solid ASEAN community, and MDGs targets can be utilized as a benchmark to measure the development of ASEAN Member States;

Stressing that MDGs goals related to child and mother's health are some of the most difficult targets to achieve in developing countries, including in some ASEAN

Member States, therefore, the collaboration from AIPA Member Parliamentarians in the region is essential to ensure that the target can be fulfilled;

Enhancing parliamentary support to ensure the implementation of government's programs that provide better access in financing small and medium enterprises with gender sensitive approach to accelerate the achievement of MDGs;

Underlining the importance of ASEAN women parliamentarians' commitment in supporting the implementation of the MDGs roadmap in the region.

Hereby resolves to:

Call on AIPA Member Parliaments to continue taking collective actions at keeping regional and national stakeholders focused on the attainment of MDGs in ASEAN Member States;

Engage AIPA Member Parliaments to conduct annual joint meetings between MDGs task force within each Member Parliaments in order to create concrete collaboration facilitate communications in sharing MDGs progress in ASEAN Member States and determine the actions necessary towards the timely and effective achievement of the MDGs;

Request AIPA Member Parliaments to support (urge) their respective governments in achieving MDGs by facilitating trainings and fora intended for capacity building, technical assistance and sharing best practices and lessons learned among ASEAN Member States while respecting the AIPA principles if needed should bring their supports both financially and technically;

Urge AIPA Women Parliamentarians to continue raising public awareness on the importance of obtaining higher education and building healthy and strong families in their respective constituencies;

Encourage AIPA Member Parliaments hosting AIPA General Assembly to hold MDGs exhibition during the event which participated in by its national small and medium enterprises in order to build their capacity and level up their competence in international scale business;

Request ASEAN Secretariat to gather information from MDGs task force within Member Parliaments and to facilitate MDGs manuals of best practices by AIPA Member Parliaments;

Adopted on the 21st day of September 2012 during the 33rd AIPA General Assembly in Lombok, West Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia.