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**RESOLUTION ON
THE CREATION OF A GREEN ECONOMY
TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

The 33rd AIPA General Assembly:

Recalling the ASEAN Economic Community Blueprint which aims at transforming ASEAN into a stable, prosperous and highly competitive region with equitable economic development, and reduced poverty and socio-economic disparities;

Recalling also the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community Blueprint which aims, among others, at addressing the region's aspiration to lift the quality of life of its peoples through cooperative activities that are people-oriented and environmentally friendly, and geared towards the promotion of sustainable development;

Noting AIPA Resolution 31GA/2010/Eco.01 on the Adoption of the Report on the Role of Parliamentarians on the Post Financial-Economic Crisis and the Issue of Sustainable Development, adopted in Ha Noi, Viet Nam, in 2010;

Noting further AIPA Resolution 32GA/2011/Eco.01 on Promoting Economic Growth and Sustainable Development towards Narrowing Development Gap in ASEAN, and AIPA Resolution No. Res. 32GA/2011/Eco.02 on Climate Change: Challenges and Adaptation for Economic Growth adopted in Phnom Penh, Cambodia in 2011;

Realising the global concern over the scarcity of global resources and that recent development processes shall be based on the needs of current and next generations. Global efforts to balance the three closely connected constituent parts of the sustainable development paradigm – economy, social development and environment – remains a serious challenge in the global economic context;

Realising further that conventional modes of economic development have not contributed wholly to solving the problem of global poverty and social inequality;

Believing that green economy is aimed at achieving a qualitative economic growth which low-carbon and environment friendly technologies allow for the protection of the environment;

Hereby resolves to:

Call on ASEAN Member States to recognize that green economic policies may further enhance their regional commitment to achieve their national sustainable development measures and to actively respond to global climate change based on the common-but-differentiated responsibilities principle of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (UNCSD);

Remind that green economic policies have to be sufficiently flexible to allow respective ASEAN Member States' policies and implementation schemes to respond to the differing social and economic conditions;

Remind further that green economy must place both people and nature before profits, which means pursuing a right approach to sustainable development, and which include a commitment to human development, and that access to basic needs like water, food, sanitation and basic healthcare needs to be ensured as the humankind's fundamental rights rather than allowing these matters to be decided by the free market;

Urge developed countries to increasingly strengthen their political commitment to support green economic policies practised by the respective ASEAN Member States by providing resources such as financial assistance, collaborative research, technology transfers and capacity building in accordance with the principles of common-but-differentiated responsibilities;

Recommend ASEAN Member States to promote bilateral and multilateral exchanges to improve the implementation of green economic policies, and to take policies and coordinating actions to ensure that they benefit from the use of green economy, and at the same time promote sustainable development;

Encourage AIPA Member Parliaments to take more active roles to ensure that the implementation of green economy shall help to reduce poverty and promote social equity, while significantly reducing environmental risks and ecological scarcities, and at the same time help to promote sustainable development;

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