THE 15TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASIA PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM

APPF-15/RES/6

THE JOINT EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN PEACE AND TO PROMOTE COOPERATION IN NORTH EAST ASIA IN VIEW OF THE NUCLEAR TEST CONDUCTED BY THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA

(Sponsored by the Russian Federation, China, Japan and Republic of Korea)

THE 15^{TH} ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM,

Proceeding from the fact that proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and of means of their delivery poses serious threat for peace and stability in North East Asia,

Expressing firm commitment to the necessity of maintaining international regime of non-proliferation of nuclear weapons,

Disapproving the nuclear test conducted by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on October 9, 2006 as the action that represents threat to international peace and stability and undermines the nuclear non-proliferation regime,

Referring to the resolution on the Announcement by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea of its Nuclear Weapons Test and the Strengthening of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Regime adopted at the 115th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union on October 18, 2006.

Emphasizing the significance of progress of the Six-Party Talks,

Supporting the positive attitudes to political and diplomatic settlement of the nuclear problem, displayed by all parties of the Six-Party Talks,

Supporting the recent development of all-round diplomatic efforts, especially within the framework of the Six-Party Talks aimed on improvement of the whole security situation on the Korean Peninsula and in North East Asia,

Referring to the respective UN Security Council resolutions, including Resolution 1718,

Underlining the importance that DPRK responds to other security and humanitarian concerns of the international community,

Noting the significance of the strengthening of regional and international cooperation for maintenance of peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula;

RESOLVES TO:

Call upon North Korea to return to the NPT, to promptly abandon all the nuclear weapons and existing nuclear programs in a complete, verifiable and irreversible manner, including the acceptance of the IAEA inspections;

Support United Nations Security Council Resolution 1718 and urge United Nations member States to fully implement the Resolution;

Express strong support for the Six Party Talks process as the most realistic means, and call upon the six parties concerned to take all indispensable efforts to realize the Joint Statement dated September 19, 2005;

Call upon the APPF member countries to expand the efforts aimed at strengthening peace and stability in Asia Pacific Region;

Confirm adherence of the APPF member countries to peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula and to back up to its denuclearized status;

Decide to maintain constant operative exchange of views and to carefully watch the situation with regard to the DPRK nuclear programs.