

THE 35^{TH} GENERAL ASSEMBLY ASEAN INTER PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY VIENTIANE, LAO PDR $14^{TH}-20^{TH}$ SEPTEMBER 2014

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
BALLROOM, 9TH FLOOR
MONDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2014
LANDMARK MEKONG RIVERSIDE HOTEL
VIENTIANE, LAO PDR

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The AIPA Executive Committee (EXCOM) meeting convened on Monday, 15th September 2014 from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. to prepare the agenda and programme of the 35th General Assembly (GA) of AIPA.

Attendance

- 1. Pursuant to Chapter 4 Article 8 of the AIPA Statute, the President of AIPA shall be the Chairman of the Executive Committee. The EXCOM meeting was chaired by H.E. Madam Pany Yathotou, President of AIPA/President of the National Assembly of Lao PDR.
- 2. The EXCOM was attended by delegations from AIPA Member Parliaments. The Delegations from Legislative Council of Brunei Darussalam is led by H.E. Mr. Pehin Dato Isa bin Ibrahim; the National Assembly of the Kingdom of Cambodia is led by by H.E. Samdech Akka Moha Ponhea Chakrei Heng Samrin; House of Representatives of the Republic of Indonesia is led by Hon. Dr. Surahman Hidayat; the National Assembly of Lao People's Democratic Republic is led by Hon. Dr. Saysamphone Phomvihane; the Parliament of Malaysia is led by H.E. Datuk Seri Ronald Kiandee; the Parliament of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar is led by H.E. Thura Shwe Mann; Congress of the Republic of the Philippines is led by H.E. Giorgidi B. Aggabao; Parliament of Singapore is led by H.E. Mrs. Halimah Yacob; the

National Assembly of the Kingdom of Thailand is led by H.E. Peerasak Porjit; and the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam is led by H.E. Nguyen Sinh Hung.

- 3. The EXCOM, after deliberation, adopted the Provisional Agenda unanimously.
- 4. The EXCOM agreed to appoint H. E. Datuk Seri Ronald Kiandee, Deputy Speaker of Parliament of Malaysia, as Vice-Chairperson; Hon. Prof. Dr. Boungnong Boupha, Vice-Chairperson of the Foreign Affairs Committee, as Rapporteur; and Hon. Mr. P.O. Ram, the Secretary General of AIPA, as the Secretary of the EXCOM.
- 5. The EXCOM considered the Report of AIPA-ASEAN interface at the 24th ASEAN Summit held in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar; the Report of the 11th AIPA Fact Finding Committee to Combat the Drug Menace (AIFOCOM) held in Vientiane, Lao PDR; and the Report of the 6th AIPA Caucus held in Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam. The reports will be forwarded to the Committee on Political Matters and Committee on Social Matters respectively for deliberation.
- 6. The EXCOM also approved on the following items:
 - a. Program Activities of the 35th General Assembly of AIPA.
 - b. Agenda for the 35th General Assembly of AIPA:
 - Agenda Items of the 35th General Assembly of AIPA
 - Topics for Dialogue with Observers
 - c. Composition of Committees and Dialogue with Observers
 - d. Topics for Committee Meeting and Dialogue with Observers:

Committee on Political Matters

- i. Report of the AIPA-ASEAN Interface at the 24th ASEAN Summit
- ii. Adoption of the Report of the 6th Meeting of the AIPA Caucus
- iii. Parliamentary Cooperation in the ASEAN Political-Security Community Building

Committee on Economic Matters

- i. Fostering Green Growth Development Strategy in ASEAN
- ii. Promoting the Development of Entrepreneurship in the Process of Narrowing Development Gaps in ASEAN

Committee on Social Matters

- i. Strengthening AIPA Member Parliamentary Co-operation in Preventing Pandemic/Infectious Diseases like Ebola Virus Disease
- ii. Enhancing Legislative Co-operation among AIPA member Parliaments on the Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Disease
- iii. Strengthening Parliamentary Roles in Developing Vocational Education and Labor Skills for the ASEAN Labor Market's Integration
- iv. Report of the 11th Meeting of the AIFOCOM to Combat the Drug Menace and Strengthening Legal Cooperation among Parliaments in Realizing a Drug-Free ASEAN
- V. Resolution on the Formation of the AIFOCOM Technical Working Group

Committee on Women Parliamentarians of AIPA (WAIPA)

- i. Strengthening Women Parliamentarians' Roles in ASEAN Community Building
- ii. Strengthening Efforts in the Prevention of all Forms of Discrimination and Violence against Women and Children in ASEAN
- iii. Women Leadership in South-East Asia

Committee on Organisational Matters

- i. Resolution on Amendments to the Agreement on the Establishment of an AIPA Secretariat
- ii. Resolution on Amendments to the Statute of AIPA
- iii. Resolution on Amendments to the Financial Rules of the AIPA Secretariat
- iv. Resolution on Amendments of the AIPA Staff Regulations of the AIPA Secretariat
- v. Resolution on the Instruction Manual for Staff of the AIPA Secretariat
- vi. Resolution on Financial Reports of the AIPA Secretariat for 1 July 2013 to 30 September 2013, 1 October 2013 to 30 June 2014 and Estimated Expenditure for 1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014
- vii. Resolution on the Estimated Budget for the AIPA Secretariat for the Period 1 October 2014 to 30 September 2015, Supplementary Estimate from 1 August 2015 to 30 September 2015
- viii. Resolution on the adoption of the Work Plan 2014 of the AIPA Secretariat
- ix. Resolution on the Date of Appointment of the Secretary General
- x. Resolution on the Salary Increment for the Secretary General
- xi. Resolution on the Establishment of AIPA National Parliamentary Group/Caucus to Combat Wildlife Crime
- xii. Resolution on the Date and Venue of the 36th General Assembly

xiii. Resolution on the Appreciation of the Services of Her Excellency Madam Pany YATHOTOU as the President of the 35th AIPA from September 2013 to September 2014.

Topics for Dialogue with Observer Countries

The meeting unanimously approved the topic "New approaches for cooperation engagement between AIPA Member Parliaments and Parliaments of Observer Countries".

Participation of Guests

The EXCOM considered the guests contained in the Guests List without any objection.

Date and Venue of the 36th AIPA General Assembly

The Executive Committee Meeting approved the date and venue of the 36th AIPA proposed by the delegation of Malaysia. The suggested date for the 36th General Assembly of AIPA is from 6 to 12 September 2015 and will be held in Malaysia.

Other Matters

- The EXCOM approved the request from the parliaments of Russian Federation and the Republic of Timor Leste to present their statement at the Second Plenary on 19 September 2014.
- The EXCOM acknowledged the nomination of Dr. Nurhayati Ali Assegaf as candidate for President of Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) 2014 – 2017.
- The EXCOM agreed to postpone to the proposed topic by the Representative Adoption of National Action Plans to Principles on Business and Human Rights
 next General Assembly of AIPA and the of Indonesian Delegation namely "The Implement the United Nations Guiding and Reaffirm the State's Duty to Protect".

Rapporteur

Chairperson

Hon. Prof. Dr. Boungnong Boupha

H.E. Madame Pany Yathotou