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Resolution on Strengthening Cooperation among AIPA Member Parliaments on Ebola Virus Disease (EVD)

The 35th AIPA General Assembly,

Recalling Resolution Res28GA/2007/Soc/08 on the Reaffirmation of the Resolution on the Prevention of Pandemic Diseases;

Taking note of the First Meeting of the Emergency Committee on Wednesday 6^{th} of August 2014 convened by the Director-General of WHO on the Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) Outbreak in West Africa, which has resulted in a large number of casualties in a relative short period of time;

Being concerned that ASEAN communities are vulnerable to the Ebola Virus Disease due to the lack of information on potential exposure, transmission risks and no vaccine for EVD and possible collective action to prevent and control outbreaks of the EVD;

Mindful that AIPA shall encourage ASEAN to take action to address the potential transmission of the EVD and to engage in international cooperation to prevent and contain the domestic and international spread of EVD.

Hereby resolves to:

Strengthen AIPA – ASEAN cooperation in identifying respective laws, strategies and regional actions to prevent and control potential outbreaks of EVD.

Enhance the oversight role of AIPA parliamentarians in strengthening the prevention and control of EVD including cross border transmission;

Request ASEAN Member States to activate their national disaster/emergency management mechanisms, and establish an emergency operation centre to coordinate support between all partners and ensure efficient and effective implementation and monitoring of comprehensive EVD control measures;

Acknowledge and welcome the leading role of the World Health Organization and any kinds of foreign and domestic contribution and assistance for human resource development in the health sectors, expertise and documentation, medical access, and sharing of experiences to support disease investigation, control and equal treatment of EVD patients.

Adopted on the day of Nineteenth of September, Two Thousand and Fourteen at the 35th AIPA General Assembly, in Vientiane, Lao People's Democratic Republic.
