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**Resolution on
Major Issues of Peace and Security in Asia**

We, the Members of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly

Inspired by the Principles and objectives enshrined in the APA Charter and the relevant APA resolutions;

Committed to contribute to the promotion of peace and security at regional and global levels on the basis of justice and rule of law;

Dedicated to promote international peace and security as a basis for progressive development and increasing integration in Asia;

Encouraged by the increasing awareness of Member Parliaments as representatives of peace-loving nations of Asia as to the importance of further dialogue and interaction in consolidating friendly relations throughout Asia;

Deeply Concerned by the false and fabricated association of terrorism to any particular religion recognizing the categorical difference between terrorism and the right of people under foreign occupation to resistance;

1. *Condemn* all violations of international law which threaten international peace and security including all acts of terrorism, and organized crimes; atrocities committed by the Israeli regime in Palestine; violations of human rights committed by foreign forces in Iraq and Afghanistan; and recent acts of piracy;
2. *Call Upon* Member Parliaments to take appropriate measures for the realization of the APA Resolution on Pursuing Implementation of Declaration on Principles of Friendship and Cooperation in Asia as incorporated in documents APA/Res/2008/09 and APA/2008/03/Annex;
3. *Decide* to establish a sub-committee under the APA standing Committee on Major Issues of Peace and Security composed of at least (7) Member

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Parliaments to meet at least once a year prior to the APA Executive Council session and consider the most important issues relevant to international peace and security in general, and international peace and security in Asia in particular, including terrorism and organized crimes; atrocities committed by the Israeli regime in Palestine; violations of human rights committed by foreign forces in Iraq and Afghanistan; and recent acts of piracy;

4. *Request* the APA Secretary-General to prepare a report for consideration by the sub-committee and to service its meetings. The sub-committee shall hold its meeting(s) in a volunteer country or in the country of the APA President and submit its report to the Executive Council for its consideration and recommendation to the APA Plenary.