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Human Rights, Women and Youth

Resolution on Children and Youth

Cultural Diversity, Preserving Family Values, Combating Human Trafficking,
Non-use of Violence against Women and Children and
Their Education and Health

The First Session of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly;

Recalling the resolutions on children and youth of the previous General Assemblies of Association of Asian Parliaments for Peace and reiterating the need for their full implementation;

Emphasizing the right of children and youth to having a family and recalling the role of the family in the health, growth and development of children and youth;

Stressing the importance of the exercise of the right to education in preparing children and youth for active and effective participation in the development process of their societies and also the advantages deriving from education such as decent job, social and financial security, etc;

Recalling the detrimental impact of drug abuse on the life of the youth and also its negative effects on economic, social and cultural development of their societies;

Reiterating the importance of ethical and religious rules in the regulation of

sexual relationship, consolidation of the foundations of the family unit and reduction of pandemic diseases such as AIDS;

Stressing the importance of laws and policies which provide support for women during pregnancy and in the post-natal period in the physical and mental health of infants and also recalling the importance of health and treatment of children and youth in the public health and welfare of the entire society;

Considering the importance of laws and policies supporting youths in finding decent jobs, marriage, formation of family and their social, economic and cultural activities;

Emphasizing the importance of sports in the health and welfare of the members of the society particularly children and youth;

Recalling the important role that children and youths can play in the protection of environment and prevention of its pollution and degradation;

Decided to:

1. ***Formulate*** policies, rules and regulations supporting the formation and consolidation of the foundations of the family unit which provide the best grounds for the rearing of the future generations;
2. ***Adopt*** appropriate policies and laws for the full development of children and young adults particularly for their free of charge and compulsory primary education;
3. ***Launch*** necessary endeavors to campaign the production, demand, trafficking and consumption of narcotics and provide rehabilitative and supportive services to the victims of drug abuse;
4. ***Ratify*** policies, rules and regulations required for the prevention and combating of smuggling of children and manipulation of their labor and any form of cruel treatment against them and also protecting children without parents, with single parent or with irresponsible parents;
5. ***Enact*** laws and rules required to support mothers during pregnancy and in the post-natal period and offer free of charge access to safe family planning services;
6. ***Adopt*** laws and policies required to develop public health and medical treatment facilities for children and youth including promoting medical treatment insurance and other appropriate mechanisms for educating the youth on prevention and combating transmittable diseases particularly AIDS;

7. **Introduce** utmost measures to protect youth in promoting their mental, technical and professional skills particularly in optimal use of IT, absorbing micro credits and facilitating the establishment of micro business enterprises in order to ensure decent job opportunities for youth;
8. **Adopt** necessary laws and policies to develop sports facilities for children and youth;
9. **Consider** the dynamic role of children and youth in the protection of environment, in the process of drafting and preparation of the environmental laws and policies.