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*Forging Parliamentary Cooperation in Digital Inclusion
Towards ASEAN Community 2025*

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**DRAFT RESOLUTION ON
FOSTERING HUMAN SECURITY IN DIGITAL INCLUSION FOR
ASEAN**

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The Forty-Second General Assembly:

Recalling the ASEAN Charter, ASEAN Community Vision 2025, ASEAN Political-Security Community Blueprint 2025 and ASEAN Digital Masterplan 2025 towards a rules-based, people-oriented, and people-centred ASEAN Community via ASEAN Summit, East Asia Summit (EAS), ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF), ASEAN Ministerial Meeting (AMM), ASEAN Plus Three;

Recalling further the United Nations 1994 Human Development Report, 2005 World Summit Outcome, especially paragraph 143 thereof, and its General Assembly resolutions 64/291 of 16 July 2010 and 66/290 of 10 September 2012 as well as the Reports of the Secretary-General A/59/2005 of 21 March 2005, A/64/701 of 8 March 2010, A/66/763 of 5 April 2012 and A/68/685 of 23 December 2013 on a shared understanding of human security, which is freedom from want, freedom from fear and freedom to live in dignity;

Reaffirming the recent Chairman's Statement of the ASEAN Leaders' Meeting, the 37th ASEAN Summit 2020, the ASEAN Leaders' Vision Statement on A Cohesive and Responsive ASEAN: Rising Above Challenges and Sustaining Growth and the Joint Media Statement of the 1st ASEAN Digital Ministers' Meeting and Related Meetings;

Noting the outcomes of the Fifth World Conferences of Speakers of Parliament 2020, 142nd Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Assembly and 2021 Annual Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations, which affirm the commitment of national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union in supporting and continuing efforts in Digital Inclusion;

Noting with satisfaction that significant progress was made in ASEAN countries in realising the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, adopted by all United Nations Member States in 2015;

Acknowledging the importance of Human Security and the value of open, unrestricted dialogue and trust among parliamentarians in identifying and addressing widespread and cross-cutting challenges to the survival, livelihood and dignity of their people from all over ASEAN;

Further Acknowledging digital exclusion amounts to social exclusion where lack of information and digital technology negatively impacts personal, political, and economic capabilities;

Endorsing Human Security as a complementary tool in digital inclusion implementation in ASEAN via integration, multi-stakeholder partnership, localisation, leaving no one behind, prevention and resilience approaches;

Fostering Human Security adoption in ASEAN through Digital Inclusion.

Hereby resolves to:

Recognise AIPA as an essential platform to resolve differences through meaningful exchange via Parliamentary Diplomacy especially on fostering Human Security to achieve Digital Inclusion in the region;

Urge AIPA Member Parliaments to reinforce Parliamentary Diplomacy as a complementary tool to traditional Diplomacy particularly navigating upon ASEAN Charter non-interference policy;

Call on the AIPA Member Parliaments to becoming cohesive and responsive Parliamentarians by addressing the needs of their respective communities in regards to freedom from want, freedom from fear and freedom from indignity;

Promote the approach of Human Security as a proven analytical and planning framework that supports more comprehensive and preventive responses by the United Nations, cutting across sectors, developing contextually relevant solutions, and adopting partnerships to assist in realising a world free from fear, want and indignity;

Support the embodiment of Human Security ethos of freedom from want, freedom from fear and freedom from indignity as part of AIPA common aspiration;

Encourage the AIPA Member Parliaments to collaborate actively on the potential Human Security frameworks in addressing all matters related to politics, economy and social at the regional and national levels;

Urge the AIPA Member Parliaments to enhance the methodologies and approaches in Digital Inclusion as stated in the ASEAN Digital Masterplan 2025;

Emphasise the importance of engagement between parliamentarians and their respective communities in raising awareness on Digital Inclusion and Human Security;

Recommend AIPA Secretariat to work with the United Nations Trust Fund for Human Security (UNTFHS) for initial funding in Human Securities-related programs.

Adopted on the twenty fifth day of August two thousand twenty one in Brunei Darussalam.
