

# **ANNEX R**

## **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**



**42<sup>ND</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
ASEAN INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY  
Brunei Darussalam, 23-25 August 2021**

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**REPORT OF  
THE ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE**

His Excellency Pehin Orang Kaya Seri Lela Dato Seri Setia  
Awang Haji Abdul Rahman bin Dato Setia Haji Mohamed Taib,  
The President of 42nd AIPA and Speaker of the Legislative Council of Brunei Darussalam,

Your Excellencies,  
Honourable Delegates,  
Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my great honour to submit the following Report of the Organizational Committee.

1. The Meeting was held virtually on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at 10.00 AM GMT +8. It was presided over by Honourable Mr. Haji Abdul Hamid @ Sabli Haji Arshad, Member of the Legislative Council of Brunei Darussalam as the Chairperson. The Vice-Chairperson from next country, Cambodia.
2. The following Parliamentarians from 9 AIPA Member Parliaments attended the meeting.

**Brunei Darussalam**

- a) Hon. Pehin Dato Haji Hasrin Haji Sabtu
- b) Hon. Pehin Dato Haji Judin Haji Asar
- c) Hon. Pehin Dato Haji Abdul Ghani Pehin Dato Haji Abdul Rahim
- d) Hon. Nik Hafimi Abdul Haadii
- e) Hon. Mr. Haji Abdul Hamid Haji Mumin
- f) Hon. Mr. Haji Ramli Haji Lahit

**Cambodia**

- a) Hon. Mr. Chhit Kim Yeat
- b) Hon. Mr. Hou Sry
- c) Hon. Dr. Ly Chheng
- d) Hon. Mr. Pich Chivorn
- e) Hon. Mr. Tak Vantha

**Indonesia**

- a) Hon. Dr. Mardani Ali Sera
- b) Hon. Dr. Andi Yuliani Paris

**Lao PDR**

- a) Hon. Mrs. Pingkham Lasasimma
- b) Hon. Mr. Thanta Kongphaly
- c) Hon. Dr. Bouthanh Bounvilay

**Malaysia**

- a) Hon. Mr. Datuk Hasanuddin Mohd Yunus
- b) Hon. Mr. Ahmad Hassan

**Philippines**

- a) Hon. Ms. Sandra Y. Eriguel, M.D.

**Singapore**

- a) Hon. Ms. Tin Pei Ling
- b) Hon. Ms. Yeo Wan Ling
- c) Hon. Mr. Yip Hon Weng

**Thailand**

- a) Hon. Mr. Anusart Suwanmongkol
- b) Hon. Prof. Kanchanaratt Leevirojana
- c) Hon. Mr. Ekkachai Songamnartcharon
- d) Hon. Mr. Issara Sereewatthanawut

**Viet Nam**

- a) Hon. Mrs. Le Thu Ha
- b) Hon. Mr. Dihn Cong Sy
- c) Hon. Mrs. Dinh Thi Phuong Lan
- d) Hon. Mr. Pham Phu Binh

3. The Meeting of the Committee of Organizational Matters was held in the traditional ASEAN spirit of friendship, unity and cooperation. The following resolutions were discussed and adopted:

**a) Resolution on Financial Report 2020-2021.**

4. The resolution of the Financial Report of the AIPA Secretariat was adopted by the Organizational Committee. The Members of the Committee shared their views, comments and suggestions to the AIPA Secretariat in managing the Special Fund and in absorbing expenditures covered from Regular Fund as well as in ensuring that expenses comply with the procedures and rules of AIPA Secretariat including to secure savings. AIPA Secretariat is also requested to prepare the list of fixed assets.

**b) Resolution on Granting Permission to Use Special Funds for the Payment of Cost-Sharing of the New Premises of AIPA Secretariat and for the Minor**

**Adjustment in the Salary of the Locally Recruited Staff of the AIPA Secretariat.**

5. The Members of the Committee expressed their appreciation to AIPA that during the current global pandemic, AIPA is able to convene AIPA meetings and activities virtually. Hence, the Committee unanimously agreed to adopt the resolution. The Committee reiterated its suggestion to transfer the Special funds to regular funds for accounting purposes.

**c) Resolution on Budget Estimation 2021-2022.**

6. Recognizing the situation of economic uncertainty and the economic recovery in ASEAN Member States affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Committee emphasized the budget shall be used in a prudent and conservative manner. With that note in mind, the Committee agreed and approved the Resolution on Budget Estimation 2021-2022.

**d) Resolution on Secretariat's Annual Report 2020-2021.**

7. Following the brief explanation on the Secretariat's Annual Report by the Secretary-General of AIPA, the Committee agreed and approved the adoption of the resolution.

**e) Resolution on Accrediting the Parliament of Ukraine as an Observer of ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA), and**

**f) Resolution on Accrediting the Parliament of Pakistan as an Observer of ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA).**

8. The committee welcomed the applications from the Parliament of Ukraine, the Parliament of Pakistan, and the Parliament of Georgia. During the deliberation, the Committee took note of the assessment of the new Observer Parliaments, which shall follow the procedure provided in the guidelines and the acceptance of new Observer(s) should bring an effective, active, and prosperous partnership to the AIPA and ASEAN. Further, the Committee acknowledged the need for AIPA to expand its networking, especially during the pandemic period. The deliberation resulted in a consensus to grant the Observer status to the Parliament of Ukraine and the Parliament of Pakistan. Meanwhile, the Committee decided to hold in abeyance the application of the Parliament of Georgia as an observer in AIPA.

**g) Resolution on Amendment to the AIPA Statutes.**

9. The Amendments to the AIPA Statutes were developed upon the discussion from the Working Group Meeting on 1) The Guiding Rules and Procedure for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly on 5 May 2021, and 2) Transformation of AIPA Secretariat on 8 June 2021. The Committee acknowledged that amending the AIPA Statutes is important to maintain administrative order and uniformity in the proceedings. Hence, the committee agreed to adopt the amendment to the AIPA Statutes as proposed in the resolution.

**h) Resolution on Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly.**

10. Following the adoption of the amendment to the AIPA Statutes, the members of the Committee of the Organizational Matters unanimously approved the Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly that aims to update, codify and organize the various provisions in the AIPA Statutes in the conduct of the AIPA General Assembly into more a systematic set of rules, and standard procedures to be implemented by the Host of the AIPA General Assembly.

**i) Resolution on Guidelines and Procedures of the AIPA-ASEAN Hearing.**

11. The Committee welcomed the initiative and has adopted the resolution on Guidelines and Procedures of the AIPA-ASEAN Hearing. The Committee further proposed a study to be conducted to explore and discuss the best way possible for exchange of ideas between the two institutions.

**j) Resolution on Rules and Procedures of the Meeting of the Young Parliamentarians of AIPA.**

12. The Committee appreciated the AIPA Secretariat for preparing the draft Rules and Procedures of the Meeting of the Young Parliamentarians of AIPA, and for facilitating the email communication in gathering inputs from AIPA Member Parliaments. Some concerns, however, were raised during the discussion. In principle the Resolution was adopted, however, as the Committee recognized the need to further review the Draft Rules and Procedures, the Committee requested AIPA Secretariat to form a Working Group to further deliberate the Rules and Procedures of the Meeting of the Young Parliamentarians of AIPA.

**k) Resolution on Establishment of the AIPA-EP Dialogue.**

13. The Committee welcomed and appreciated the initiative from the European Parliament to maintain communication and conduct a series of activities with AIPA through the establishment of AIPA-EP Dialogue. The Committee supported and approved the adoption of the resolution.

**l) Resolution on AIPA Distinguished Service Award to H.E. Post. Dr. Kittisethabindit Cheam Yeap (Cambodia), and**

**m) Resolution on AIPA Distinguished Service Award to Hon. Dr. Fadli Zon (Indonesia).**

14. The Committee valued the outstanding contributions and services of H.E. Post. Dr. Kittisethabindit Cheam Yeap and Hon. Dr. Fadli Zon towards pursuit of the goals and objectives of AIPA. Taking that into consideration, The Committee unanimously agreed to confer the AIPA Distinguished Service Award to H.E. Post. Dr. Kittisethabindit Cheam Yeap and Hon. Dr. Fadli Zon as recognition of their meritorious services to AIPA.

**n) Resolution on Appreciation of the President of AIPA.**

15. The Committee congratulated and expressed appreciation for the service, commitment and contribution of His Excellency Pehin Dato Awang Haji Abdul Rahman Taib as the President of AIPA. The Committee unanimously agreed and approved the adoption of the resolution.

**o) Resolution on Date and Venue of the 43rd AIPA GA**

16. The Cambodian Delegation informed the Committee that the 43rd AIPA General Assembly will be convened in September 2022 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Cambodia wishes to welcome all Delegates of AIPA Member Parliaments in a physical meeting in the country, once the pandemic is over and the situation allows.

Thank you for your attention.



**HON. MR HAJI ABDUL HAMID @ SABL I HAJI ARSHAD**  
*CHAIRPERSON*



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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/01)*

**RESOLUTION ON**

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE AIPA SECRETARIAT  
FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 AUGUST 2020 TO 31 JULY 2021**

***The Forty-Second General Assembly:***

***Noting*** that AIPA adopts the new Financial Year to be from 1 August of each year to 31 July of the following year as resolved by Resolution RES.35GA/2014/ORG/03 at the 35th AIPA General Assembly held in Vientiane, Lao PDR;

***Having considered*** the Audited Financial Reports of the AIPA Secretariat covering the period of 1 August 2020 to 31 July 2021 as contained in Doc. 42GA/2021/FinRep/01;

***Noting*** the Balance Sheet of the AIPA Secretariat as of 31 July 2021.

***Hereby resolves to:***

***Approve*** the aforesaid Financial Report covering the period of 1 August 2020 to 31 July 2021.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/02)*

**RESOLUTION ON**

**GRANTING PERMISSION TO USE SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE  
PAYMENT OF COST-SHARING OF THE NEW PREMISES OF AIPA  
SECRETARIAT AND FOR THE MINOR ADJUSTMENT IN THE  
SALARY OF THE LOCALLY RECRUITED STAFF OF THE AIPA  
SECRETARIAT**

*The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:*

*Recalling* the AIPA Resolution No. Res. 41/GA/2020/org/07 on the Relocation of AIPA Secretariat Premises, adopted at the 41st AIPA General Assembly in Viet Nam;

*Appreciating* the support provided by the ASEAN Secretariat and the Committee of Permanent Representatives to ASEAN in granting a rent-free work space for the Permanent Secretariat of AIPA;

*Fully aware* that the relocation of AIPA Secretariat premises from the Indonesian Parliament Compound to the Heritage Building of ASEAN Secretariat generates extra expenses to the present budget regarding the annual operational and maintenance costs;

*Aware of* the moral and ethical obligation of the AIPA Member Parliaments to ensure the welfare of the AIPA Secretariat staff and that salary incremental could be one of the solutions to address the issue of high employment turn-over rate of the AIPA Secretariat;

*Acknowledging* the request extended by the AIPA Secretariat during the Working Group Meeting on the Transformation of AIPA Secretariat to to pay the cost-sharing of the new premises of the AIPA Secretariat as well as to increase the salary of the locally recruited staff;

*Realizing* that due to budget constraint, increasing the annual contribution of AIPA member parliaments is inevitable to address the above-mentioned issue;

*Taking into consideration* the prolonged Covid-19 pandemic that led to the weakening of the economy of the ASEAN Member States which makes it difficult for most AIPA Member Parliaments to increase the annual contribution for this challenging time.

*Hereby Resolves to:*

*Grant permission* to AIPA Secretariat to utilize the Special Fund to pay the cost sharing of the new premises of AIPA Secretariat and slightly increase salary of locally recruited staff up to USD.28,000 and USD. 15,210 respectively, until the increment of the annual contribution is put into force in 2023.

Adopted on the Twenty Fifth Day of August Two Thousand Twenty One in Brunei Darussalam at the 42<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly held virtually.



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(Res 42GA/2021/Org/03)

**RESOLUTION ON**

- (1) ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR THE AIPA SECRETARIAT  
FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 AUGUST 2021 TO 31 JULY 2022;  
(2) SPECIAL FUND FOR THE PERIOD OF 1 AUGUST 2021 TO 31  
JULY 2022 AND  
(3) ESTIMATED SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET FROM 1 AUGUST 2022  
TO 31 OCTOBER 2022**

*The Forty-Second General Assembly:*

*Bearing in mind* that the Estimated Budget of AIPA for the Financial Year 1 August to 31 July of the following year and the Supplementary Budget for the months of August to October of the next Financial Year will be contained in a single audited report for the approval of General Assembly;

*Further bearing in mind* that Special Fund started operating in Financial Year 2017/2018 and is contained in a single audited report for the approval of General Assembly;

*Having considered* the details of the Estimated Expenditures and Explanatory Note for Financial Year 2021/2022 covering the period from 1 August 2021 to 31 July 2022, the Special Fund covering the period from 1 August 2021 to 31 July 2022 and the Supplementary Estimate from 1 August 2022 to 31 October 2022.

*Hereby resolves to:*

*Approve* the estimated expenditure as contained in Doc. 42GA/2021/Org/XX of US\$ 309,920.00 for the period of 1 August 2021 to 31 July 2022, US\$ 10,000.00 tuition fee funded from savings, US\$ 50,000.00 being the expenditure of AIPA Special Fund covering the period of 1 August 2021 to 31 July 2022 and Supplementary Estimates of US\$ 70,495.00 to cover the expenditure for three months from 1 August 2022 to 31 October 2022 respectively.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/04)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
THE SECRETARIAT'S ANNUAL REPORT FY 2020-2021**

*The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:*

*Having considered* the AIPA Secretariat's Annual Report FY 2020-2021 submitted by the Secretary General.

*Hereby resolves to:*

*Approves* the aforesaid Secretariat Annual Report FY 2020-2021.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/05)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
ACCREDITING THE PARLIAMENT OF UKRAINE AS AN OBSERVER  
OF ASEAN INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY (AIPA)**

***The Forty-Second General Assembly:***

***Referring*** to the letter from the Chairman of the Parliament of Ukraine dated 2 October 2020, containing an appeal for the Parliament of Ukraine to be considered as an observer member of AIPA;

***Noting*** the interest of the Parliament of Ukraine to participate in the annual General Assembly of AIPA as an Observer;

***Recalling*** Article 6 (5) of the Statutes of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) which stated that the General Assembly may invite special observers and guests to attend its annual meetings;

***Recalling*** further Article 10(1) of the Statutes of ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) which stated that the Executive Committee shall have the power and function to consider and recommend membership in AIPA and the participation of Special Observers, Observers and Guests, and that the Executive Committee has considered the Parliament of Ukraine's desires to participate as an observer in the annual meeting of AIPA;

***Appreciating*** the positive response and the unanimous decision of the AIPA Member Parliaments to accept the Parliament of Ukraine to be an Observer at the annual meeting of AIPA.

***Hereby resolves to:***

***Accredit*** the Parliament of Ukraine as an Observer in the ongoing and future AIPA General Assemblies.

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**RESOLUTION ON  
ACCREDITING THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF ISLAMIC  
REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN AS AN OBSERVER OF ASEAN INTER-  
PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY (AIPA)**

***The Forty-Second General Assembly:***

***Referring*** to the letter from the Speaker of the National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan dated 22 June 2021, containing an appeal for the National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan to be considered as an observer member of AIPA;

***Noting*** the interest of the National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan to participate in the annual General Assembly of AIPA as an Observer;

***Recalling*** Article 6 (5) of the Statutes of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) which stated that the General Assembly may invite special observers and guests to attend its annual meetings;

***Recalling*** further Article 10(1) of the Statutes of ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) which stated that the Executive Committee shall have the power and function to consider and recommend membership in AIPA and the participation of Special Observers, Observers and Guests, and that the Executive Committee has considered the National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan's desires to participate as an observer in the annual meeting of AIPA;

***Appreciating*** the positive response and the unanimous decision of the AIPA Member Parliaments to accept the National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan to be an Observer at the annual meeting of AIPA.

***Hereby resolves to:***

***Accredit*** the National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan as an Observer in the ongoing and future AIPA General Assemblies.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/07)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
THE AMENDMENT OF AIPA STATUTES**

***The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:***

***Recalling*** the Resolution on the Guidelines of AIPA Engagement with Guests and Observers adopted at the 40 General Assembly on the 29 August 2019 in Bangkok, Kingdom of Thailand which contained some changes to the provisions of the AIPA Statutes;

***Realizing*** that there was no separate resolution on the Amendments to the AIPA Statutes adopted during the 40 AIPA General Assembly, despite the implied changes to its provisions by the adoption of the Resolution on Guidelines of AIPA Engagement with Guests and Observers;

***Realizing*** further that the Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly shall only be implemented if the amendments to the AIPA Statutes are adopted by the General Assembly;

***Acknowledging*** that amending the AIPA Statutes is important in the interest of maintaining administrative order and uniformity in the proceedings;

***Aware of*** the changes brought about to the AIPA Statutes as the consequences of the submission of the Draft Resolution on Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly at the Organizational Committee of the 42<sup>nd</sup> AIPA General Assembly;

***Realizing*** that the Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of AIPA General Assembly shall only be implemented with the condition that the Amendment of AIPA Statute has been adopted.

***Hereby Resolves to:***

***Approve and adopt*** the amendment of the following provisions of the AIPA Statutes conducive to adopt the Draft Resolution on the Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly:

Art.9 (3) The venue of the General Assembly shall be rotated among the Member Parliaments in alphabetical order, unless otherwise decided by the General Assembly. In the event that a Member Parliament is unable to host the General Assembly, the Executive Committee shall decide on the venue.

In cases when the attendance of member parliamentarians becomes extremely difficult or impossible such as on occasions of natural calamities, pandemics, strikes, riots, and civil disturbances, whether fortuitous or not, the Executive Committee may authorize the Host Parliament to conduct the General Assembly and other related meetings through electronic platforms like video conference, telecommunications and other reliable online technologies.

Art. 9 (7.a) Decisions by the General Assembly on any subject shall be made by consensus. When consensus cannot be achieved, the General Assembly may decide on how a specific decision can be made.

Art. 11 (5) Decisions by the Executive Committee on any subject shall be made by consensus. When consensus cannot be achieved, the Executive Committee may decide on how a specific decision can be made.

Art. 14 (1-3)

1. The Secretariat is the administrative body of AIPA and the hub for information, knowledge, communication and stakeholder's engagement of AIPA.
2. It shall perform at least the following functions:
  - a. Provide service support to the AIPA and its Member Parliaments;
  - b. Take initiative to explore and conceptualize possible joint programs and projects with external stakeholders to achieve common goals with AIPA, and submit to AIPA General Assembly the approval for its implementation; and
  - c. Establish and maintain efficient and effective administrative support system for AIPA.
3. The AIPA Secretariat shall be at the city where the ASEAN Secretariat is located, unless the General Assembly decides otherwise.

**Approve** the draft resolution on the Amendment of the AIPA Statutes.

The amendment shall come into force on 25 August 2021.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/08)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
GUIDING RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE HOSTING OF THE  
AIPA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

***The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:***

***Considering*** that the AIPA General Assembly as the policy-making body of AIPA is mandated to meet at least once a year, unless otherwise decided by the Executive Committee, as provided for in paragraph (2) Article 9 of AIPA Statutes;

***Recognizing*** that the various rules and procedures governing the conduct of the AIPA General Assembly may be found in the different articles and provisions of AIPA Statutes;

***Observing*** that AIPA Member Parliaments have used different sets of rules and procedures in hosting the AIPA General Assembly which have caused confusion, discomfort, disharmony or even misunderstanding among guests and observers;

***Bearing in mind*** that such issues need to be addressed, this proposed Resolution aims to update, codify and organize the various provisions in the AIPA Statutes relating to the rules and procedures for the hosting of the General Assembly into a systematic and uniform set of rules, and standard procedures to be implemented by the Host of the AIPA General Assembly;

***Having adopted*** the Resolution on the Amendment of AIPA Statutes to accredit the initiation of the Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly.

***Hereby Resolves to:***

***Adopt and approve*** the Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly, as attached. The Guiding Rules and Procedures shall come into force as soon as the current General Assembly is concluded.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/09)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES OF AIPA-ASEAN HEARING**

***The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:***

***Recalling*** the Resolution on the *Institutionalization of AIPA-ASEAN Dialogue* adopted at the 40<sup>th</sup> AIPA General Assembly on 29 August 2019, in Bangkok, Kingdom of Thailand which agreed to institutionalize a meaningful dialogue mechanism between AIPA and ASEAN to discuss the plan and status of implementation of the ASEAN Integration Plan and other matters in every AIPA General Assembly/or suitable platform;

***Noting*** AIPA Member Parliaments directed the AIPA Secretariat to establish guidelines and procedures for regular AIPA-ASEAN dialogue at the AIPA General Assembly or suitable platform;

***Considering*** the inputs and recommendations in developing the guidelines and procedures of the AIPA-ASEAN dialogue from all AIPA Member Parliaments and the ASEAN Secretariat.

***Hereby resolves to:***

***Call upon*** the AIPA Member Parliaments to approve and adopt the proposed Guidelines and Procedures of AIPA-ASEAN Hearing.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/10)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
THE ADOPTION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE  
MEETING OF YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS OF AIPA**

***The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:***

***Noting*** the AIPA Resolution number Res 41GA/2020/Org/06 on the Engagement of Young Parliamentarians of AIPA in the ASEAN Community Building, adopted at the 41<sup>st</sup> AIPA General Assembly which welcomed the initiative to establish the Meeting of Young Parliamentarians of AIPA to be held in AIPA General Assemblies, as well as supported the creation of Ad-Hoc Committee to draft the Rules of Procedure for the Meeting of Young Parliamentarians of AIPA to be considered and adopted in the next AIPA General Assembly;

***Noting with regret*** that the suggested Ad-Hoc Committee was unable to be formed and meet in an actual meeting due to the heavy meeting schedule of the AIPA;

***Recognizing*** the Draft Rules of Procedure of the Meeting of Young Parliamentarians of AIPA prepared by the AIPA Secretariat which later was deliberated by the AIPA Member Parliaments through email communication;

***Taking into account*** the inputs and recommendations from the AIPA Member Parliaments to the Draft Rules of Procedure gathered through the above-said email communication mechanism.

***Hereby Resolves to:***

***Establish*** an Ad Hoc working group to discuss the matter concern in the Rules of Procedure of the Meeting of Young Parliamentarians of AIPA;

***Approve*** the resolution on the Rules of Procedure of the Meeting of Young Parliamentarians of AIPA, as attached.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/11)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ANNUAL AIPA-EUROPEAN  
PARLIAMENT INTER-REGIONAL PARLIAMENTARY DIALOGUE**

***The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:***

***Acknowledging*** the European Parliament as one of the first parliaments to establish formal relations with AIPA as an Observer;

***Appreciating*** the proposal of the European Parliament's Delegation for relations with the countries of Southeast Asia and ASEAN (DASE) during the Thirty-Ninth and Forty First AIPA General Assembly to hold one additional annual inter-regional meeting that would allow for a more structured dialogue between the European Parliament and AIPA;

***Recognizing*** the successful Inaugural AIPA-European Parliamentary Dialogue virtually held on 22 June 2021, where the two most common and relevant issues for both regions were constructively discussed: The Future of EU-ASEAN Trade Relations, and Mitigating the Negative Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic;

***Considering*** that the parliamentary bond is the key to a productive larger and bilateral relationship and an opportunity to strengthen the parliamentary extension of EU-ASEAN relations;

***Bearing in mind*** the view of each AIPA Member Parliament that it is important to have a uniform in the proceeding for the establishment of an annual dialogue with European Parliament with the dialogue with Observer delegations regularly convened during the AIPA General Assembly.

***Hereby Resolves to:***

***Support*** the establishment of the annual AIPA-European Parliament Dialogue as a formal platform for the two parliamentary groups to intensively and constructively discuss common and relevant issues, while maintaining the annual dialogue that is regularly convened during the AIPA General Assembly;

***Request*** the AIPA Secretariat to communicate with European Parliament and prepare the Terms of Reference of the Annual AIPA-European Parliament Inter-Regional Parliamentary Dialogue.

Adopted on the Twenty Fifth Day of August Two Thousand Twenty One in Brunei Darussalam at the 42<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly held virtually.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/12)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
AIPA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD TO  
H.E. POST. DR. KITTISETHABINDIT CHEAM YEAP**

*The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:*

**Recognizing** the valuable service, outstanding contribution and tireless efforts of H.E. Post. Dr. Kittisethabindit Cheam Yeap, Chairman of the Commission on Economy, Finance, Banking, and Audit & Chairman of Cambodian Parliament AIPA National Group, towards the pursuit of the goals and objectives of AIPA;

**Considering** the nomination of H.E. Post. Dr. Kittisethabindit Cheam Yeap, Chairman of the Commission on Economy, Finance, Banking, and Audit & Chairman of Cambodian Parliament AIPA National Group, with the unanimous support of all Delegations.

**Hereby resolves to:**

**Agree** that this General Assembly confers AIPA Distinguished Service Award to H.E. Post. Dr. Kittisethabindit Cheam Yeap as recognition of his meritorious services to AIPA.

Adopted on the Twenty Fifth Day of August Two Thousand Twenty One in Brunei Darussalam at the 42<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly held virtually.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/13)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
AIPA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD TO  
HONORABLE DR. FADLI ZON**

*The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:*

**Recognizing** the valuable service, outstanding contribution and tireless efforts of Hon. Dr. Fadli Zon, Chairperson of the Committee for Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation of the House of Representatives of Indonesia, towards the pursuit of the goals and objectives of AIPA;

**Considering** the nomination of Hon. Dr. Fadli Zon, Chairperson of the Committee for Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation of the House of Representatives of Indonesia, with the unanimous support of all Delegations.

**Hereby resolves to:**

**Agree** that this General Assembly confers AIPA Distinguished Service Award to Hon. Dr. Fadli Zon as recognition of his meritorious services to AIPA.

Adopted on the Twenty Fifth Day of August Two Thousand Twenty One in Brunei Darussalam at the 42<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly held virtually.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/14)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
APPRECIATING THE SERVICE OF  
HIS EXCELLENCY PEHIN DATO AWANG HAJI ABDUL RAHMAN  
TAIB AS PRESIDENT OF AIPA**

*The Forty-Second General Assembly:*

*Acknowledging* that the term of office of His Excellency Pehin Dato Awang Haji Abdul Rahman Taib as the President of AIPA ends at the conclusion of the 42<sup>nd</sup> AIPA General Assembly;

*Recognizing* His Excellency Pehin Dato Awang Haji Abdul Rahman Taib's valuable contribution to the success of the 42<sup>nd</sup> AIPA General Assembly during his term of office;

*Sincerely expressing* its deepest appreciation and gratitude for his leadership of the organization and welcoming his continued participation and contribution in the development and growth of AIPA.

*Hereby resolves to:*

*Adopt* this resolution on appreciating the Services of His Excellency Pehin Dato Awang Haji Abdul Rahman Taib.

Adopted on the Twenty Fifth Day of August Two Thousand Twenty One in Brunei Darussalam at the 42<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly held virtually.

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*(Res 42GA/2021/Org/15)*

**RESOLUTION ON  
DATE AND VENUE OF THE 43<sup>RD</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

*The Forty-Second General Assembly:*

*Referring* stipulation of Chapter IV, Article 9 Paragraph 3 of the AIPA Statutes that the venue of the General Assembly shall be on rotational basis in alphabetical order among the Member Parliaments;

*Hereby resolves*, that the 43<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly shall be held in Phnom Penh in September 2022 in Cambodia.

Adopted on the Twenty Fifth Day of August Two Thousand Twenty One in Brunei Darussalam at the 42<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly held virtually.

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