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**DRAFT RESOLUTION ON  
THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AIPA STATUTES**

*Sponsored by AIPA Secretariat*

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

***Considering*** that the Draft Resolution on Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly is tabled at the 42<sup>nd</sup> AIPA General Assembly;

***Recalling*** the Resolution on Guidelines of AIPA Engagement with Guests and Observers, adopted at the 40<sup>th</sup> AIPA General Assembly in 2019;

***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, as well as the adoption of the Resolution on Guidelines of AIPA Engagement with Guests and Observers at the 40<sup>th</sup> AIPA General Assembly in 2019;

***Realizing*** that the Guiding Rules and Procedures for the Hosting of the AIPA General Assembly shall only be implemented with the condition that the Amendments to the AIPA Statutes has been adopted;

***Further realizing*** that there was no separate Resolution on the Amendments to the AIPA Statutes adopted in 2019, despite the fact that the Resolution on Guidelines of AIPA Engagement with Guests and Observers, to some extent, has implications to the provisions in the AIPA Statutes;

***Considering*** uniformity in the proceedings of the amendment of the AIPA Statutes is important in the interest of maintaining administrative order.

***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 computer online technologies.

*Art.9 (7.a)* Decisions by the General Assembly on any subject shall be made by consensus. Only matters on which consensus cannot be attained shall be dropped.

(7.b) When consensus cannot be achieved, the General Assembly may decide on how a specific decision can be made.

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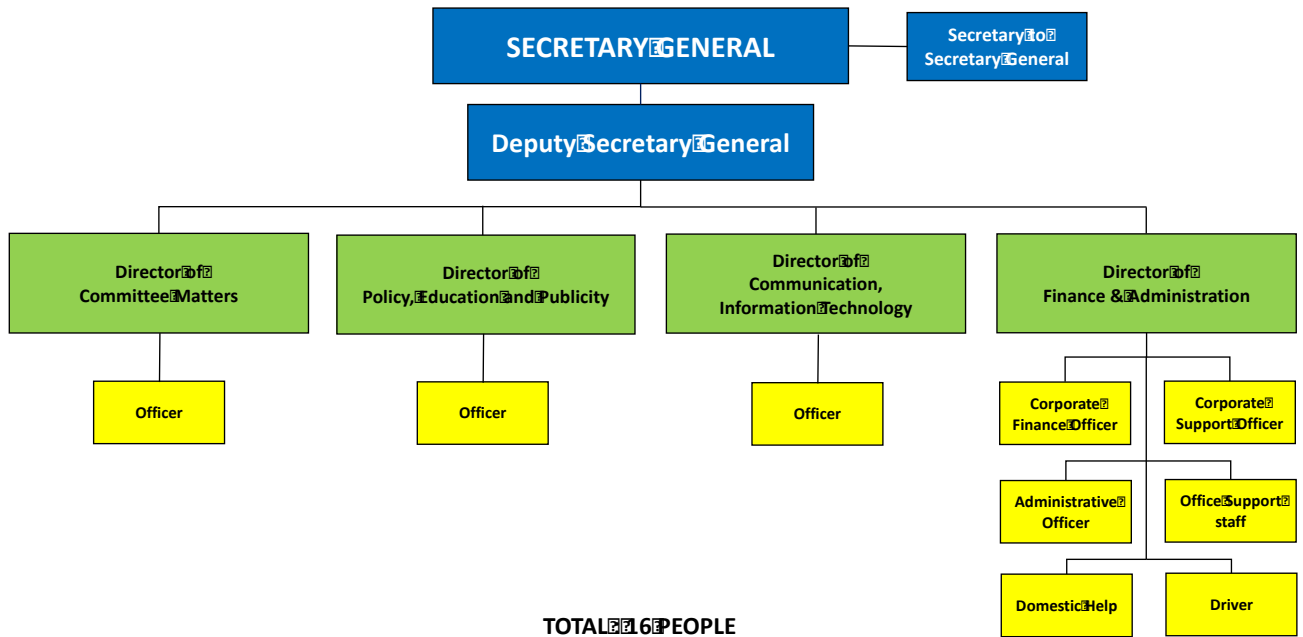
*Art. 14 (1-3)*

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.
4. The Organizational Chart of AIPA Secretariat as shown in Annex A (Brunei Darussalam)

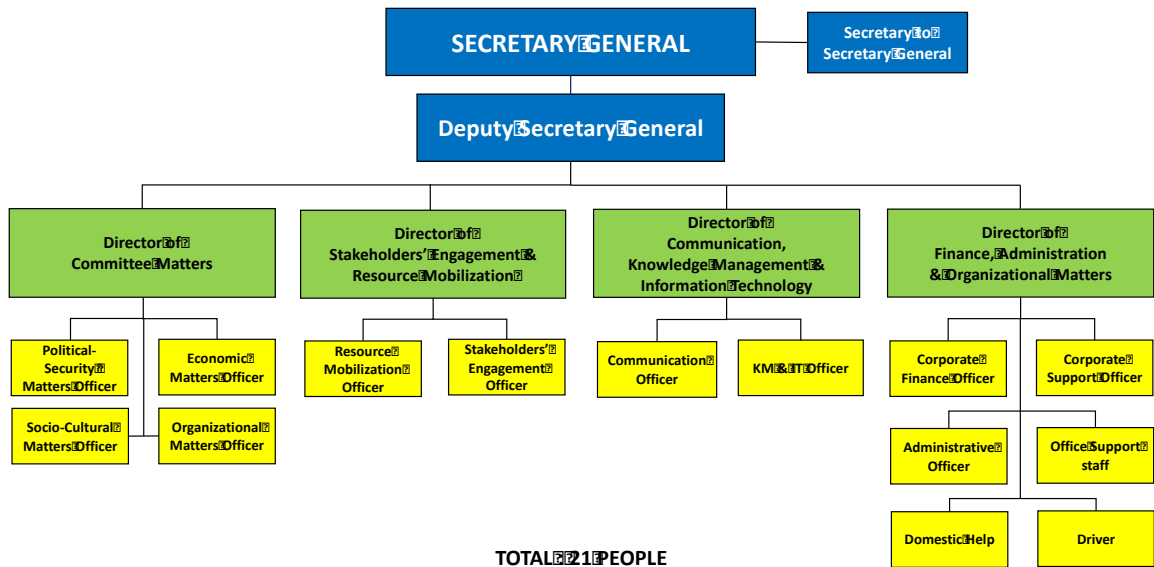
***Further approve and adopt*** the following provisions of the AIPA Statutes, as prescribed in the 2019 adopted Resolution on Guidelines of AIPA Engagement with Guest and Observer:

*Art.8A (2b)* Observer delegations shall be permitted to attend and make statements at the first plenary session of the General Assembly.

**EXISTING ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



**PROPOSED SHORT-TERM ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



*Approve* the draft resolution on the Amendments to the AIPA Statutes.

The amendment shall come into force on ..... 2021.

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