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Draft Resolution on Asian Parliaments Against Terrorism and Foreign Occupation

We, the Members of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly,

Recalling APA Resolution on comprehensive counter-terrorism and counter-occupation strategies (APA/Res/2010/07, 30 November, 2010)

Recalling United Nations General Assembly Resolution on the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (A/Res/64/297, 13 October 2010);

Inspired by the principles and objectives of the APA Charter

Expressing our commitment to oppose extremism and prevent and combat terrorism in all its forms and manifestations

Considering that acts of terrorism threaten peace and security of all nations and is a menace to social and economic development of international community

Recognising that foreign occupation violates the United Nations Charter which accepts the territorial sovereignty of all its members and such occupation has provided fertile ground for destructive acts of blind terrorism

Reaffirming determination to promote further cooperation and coordination among Asian Parliaments and Governments in establishing a unified front against terrorism and foreign occupation

Denouncing stereotyping of any religious, national or ethnic group and condemn any linkage between terrorism and any religion, race, ethnic group and culture.

Emphasizing that the struggle of peoples under foreign occupation to gain national freedom and exercise their right to self-determination is not, in any way, an act of terrorism;

1. **Call upon** member parliaments to engage in a continuous dialogue and joint parliamentary activities to combat terrorism in Asia

2. **Urge** all Member Parliaments to harmonize their efforts in promulgating counter-terrorism laws and legislations in Asia with a view to facilitating more effective cooperation among Asian Governments in combating terrorism
3. **Invite** Member Parliaments and their respective Governments to exchange their best practices in fighting terrorism
4. **Encourage** all Member Parliaments to intensify their efforts in utilizing parliamentary diplomacy for the development of international and regional frameworks for combating terrorism and to that end support the setting up of a Regional Task Force comprising Parliamentarians and civil society representatives mandated to monitor, evaluate and coordinate counter-terrorism practices in Asia
5. **Request** the Secretary-General to seek the views of Member Parliaments on measures taken to implement this resolution and to report thereon as well as on the activities of Member Parliaments against terrorism to the next meeting of the APA Standing Committee on Political Affairs and the Executive Council.