



**ASEAN INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ORGANIZATION
26TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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**RESOLUTION
ON THE TREATY OF AMITY AND COOPERATION IN
SOUTHEAST ASIA (TAC) AND THE EAST ASIA SUMMIT (EAS)**

The Twenty-Sixth General Assembly:

Reaffirming the importance of the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia as an instrument of peace, security and cooperation and a Code of Conduct governing relations between States;

Noting with satisfaction the growing number of countries outside ASEAN acceding to the Treaty, namely Papua New Guinea, People's Republic of China, Republic of India, Japan, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Republic of Korea, Russia Federation, New Zealand and Mongolia;

Welcoming Australia's intention to accede to the Treaty and Timor-Leste's expression of interest to accede to the Treaty;

Noting with satisfaction the ASEAN Leaders' decision at the 10th ASEAN Summit held on 29 November 2004 in Vientiane to convene the first East Asia Summit (EAS) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2005;

Affirming the leading role of ASEAN as the driving force in the East Asian region;

Welcoming the participation of ASEAN, People's Republic of China, Japan, Republic of Korea, Republic of India, Australia and New Zealand to the first East Asia Summit;

Hereby resolves to:

Urge the countries outside the region to accede to the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia;

Support the first East Asia Summit with the confidence that it will be concluded with successful outcomes in further strengthening peace and security and in promoting economic prosperity in the region.