

ASEAN INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ORGANIZATION 21st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RESOLUTION ON THE HANOI PLAN OF ACTION (HPA)

The Twenty-First General Assembly of AIPO:

Recognising that the Hanoi Plan of Action (HPA) is an important guide in the realisation of Vision 2020 of an ASEAN as a concern of nations living in peace and prosperity, and a useful document to identify ASEAN's needs and priorities in key area of cooperation;

Believing that the HPA is a means for ASEAN to renew itself and maintain its relevance as a regional organization in the face of growing global economic competition and the proliferation of transnational problems;

Resolves to:

Call on all ASEAN member countries to continue to support and implement the mechanism encompassed in the HPA, particularly in area such as political and security cooperation, trade and investment liberalization and facilitation as well as in poverty eradication;

Urge ASEAN member countries to hasten the implementation of an deliver concrete and positive progress on the HPA for the mid-term Review at the 2001 ASEAN Summit in Brunei Darussalam.

Support the development of region-wide transportation and communication networks to facilitate freer movement of capital, goods and services in order to strengthen the political and economic linkages between the countries of ASEAN;

Encourage ASEAN member countries to actively involve Dialogue Partner countries and other relevant regional and international organizations in the provision of training, infrastructural support and expertise sharing in development projects supporting the HPA.

Affirm its approval for intensifying regional science and technology development, in order to propel ASEAN as a constructive world player in the knowledge based economy of the 21st century;

Endorse greater co-operation among ASEAN member countries in addressing environmental protection and sustainable development issues, which include combating haze pollution and ecological destruction, in order for political, economic and social progress in ASEAN to take place in a healthy and bio-diverse environment.