



ASEAN INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ORGANIZATION

**26TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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**RESOLUTION
ON
THE PROMOTION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE ASEAN AGREEMENT ON
DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

The Twenty-Sixth General Assembly:

Recalling the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Responses signed by ASEAN Foreign Minister at the 38th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on the 26 July 2005, Vientiane, Laos.

Recognizing the importance of concerted efforts and the commitment of ASEAN and the international community on Disaster Management and Emergency Response;

Being aware that the unsustainable and ineffective use of natural resources and global warming has serious consequences for the well-being of people and the sustainable development of individual ASEAN member countries and the region as a whole;

Concerned by the increasing frequency and scale of disasters and their damaging impacts to the ASEAN region both in short-term and on term;

Hereby resolves to:

Call upon all AIPO member countries to take legislative, administrative and other measures as necessary to implement the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response;

Reaffirm that respective governments of ASEAN member countries should actively take necessary measures to prevent and reduce loss of life and property as a result of disasters;

Promote public awareness and understanding of the impact of the possible impact and consequences of disasters and how to respond to them promptly and effectively;

Urge respective governments of ASEAN Member Countries to implement in good faith provisions stipulated in the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response;

Urge developed countries and international organizations to transfer advances science and technology for the establishment of early warning systems in the region; and

Promote cooperation amongst ASEAN Member Countries, and between ASEAN and other countries and international organizations, in disaster relief and emergency response, exchange of information and mutual assistance.