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Annex E

RESOLUTION ON POLITICAL MATTERS

The 11th General Assembly of AIPO reviewed the regional and international political and economic situations and development since last General Assembly in Manila, Philippines in August 1989;

Noting with satisfaction the positive results achieved at the 23rd ASEAN Ministerial Meeting in Jakarta, Indonesia in July 1990 to enhance ASEAN Cooperation in line with the decisions taken by the 3rd Meeting of ASEAN Heads of Government in Manila in December 1987;

Reaffirming its strong commitment to the basic principles enshrined in the United Nations (UN) Charter and Resolutions on the non-use of force or the threat of the use of force, non-interference in the internal affairs of other states, respect for the independence, territorial integrity and sovereignty of states and peaceful settlement of disputes;

Deems it necessary to state the following:

(A) *Cambodia*

The General Assembly fully supports the UN framework for settlement of the Cambodia question drawn up by the Five Permanent Members of the Security Council in August 1990, which calls for the formation of the Supreme National Council until elections are held,

verification of a ceasefire, supervision of disarmament, organizing elections and ensuring the departure of all Vietnamese forces;

The General Assembly welcomes the agreement of the Cambodian parties to support the Permanent Five Framework and the formation of the Supreme National Council (SNC) and is of the view that the SNC should occupy Cambodia's seat at the UN;

The General Assembly reaffirms that a solution can only be achieved by thoroughly preparing for the resumption of the negotiating process of the Paris International Conference on Cambodia and not by military means;

The General Assembly congratulates the Foreign Minister of Indonesia, H.E. Mr. Ali Alatas, and France for playing a key role in bringing the Cambodian parties together and have them agree to form the SNC. The General Assembly also congratulates all the Permanent Members of the UN Security Council for having has the vision and the courage to seize the historic opportunity afforded by the major international changes that have occurred and which have brought events to the brink of a comprehensive political settlement in Cambodia;

The General Assembly urges H.E. Princes Norodom Sihanouk to accept the chairmanship of the SNC as he has stature to heal the wounds of war and bring genuine national reconciliation and peace to his country;

The General Assembly appeals to all the conflicting parties to set aside their narrow self-interests in the greater interest of whole Cambodian nation and urges the factions to exert renewed efforts in finally resolving their decade-long conflict.

(B) *Indochinese Refugees*

The General Assembly reiterates its concern over the mounting flow of the Indochinese refugees to the ASEAN countries concerned as this continuing influx poses tremendous cost and

creates socio-economic, political and security problems for the countries of temporary refuge (CTR), beside causing tension between the CTR and resettlement countries;

The General Assembly stresses that the repatriation of Vietnamese boat people, whether voluntary or otherwise, must not impose further burden on countries of temporary refuge. The CTR reserve the sovereign right to take whatever action appropriate to ensure its security and national interest.

C. *Middle East*

The General Assembly endorses the UN Security Council Resolutions on the invasion and annexation of Kuwait by Iraq;

The General Assembly calls for the unimpeded passage of all foreign nationals now in Iraq and Kuwait to return to their respective countries of origin;

The General Assembly expresses the view that a hastening settlement of the Palestinian question can only be achieved on the basis of ensuring the co-existence of all states, including Israel in the region within internationally recognized boundaries.

(D) *Summit Meeting of the G-15*

The General Assembly welcomes the First Summit Meeting of the G-15 held in Kuala Lumpur on 1 – 3 June 1990 and expresses the hope that this forum would further enhance and strengthen South-South cooperation and the North-South Dialogue.

(E) *ZOPFAN and SEANWFZ*

The 11th AIPO General Assembly recalled its statement made in the 10th AIPO General Assembly in Manila that the eventual and orderly dismantling of all foreign military bases and

removal of nuclear weapons will greatly facilitate the early realization of ZOPFAN and SEANWFZ;

The General Assembly considers that the unceasing political efforts to implement the ASEAN Action Program as adopted in the 1987 Summit as the basic concept concerning the ZOPFAN and SEANWFZ have to take account of the fundamental changes in the global situation.

(F) *ASEAN Summit*

The General Assembly supports the call of the ASEAN Foreign Ministers to convene another ASEAN Summit in view of the rapid changes presently taking place in the world. It urges the Foreign Ministers to undertake careful preparation to ensure a successful Summit.

The General Assembly hopes that the forthcoming ASEAN Summit will further enhance ASEAN economic cooperation including intra-ASEAN trade.