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RESOLUTION ON THE ASEAN UNIVERSITY

The Twenty-Fourth General Assembly:

Recognizing the importance of human resource development as a mechanism to foster socioeconomic development of individual member states of ASEAN and the region as a whole;

Recalling the mandate of the 4th ASEAN Summit in Singapore in 1992 to strengthen the existing network of leading higher education institutions and the subsequent establishment of the ASEAN University Network in 1997;

Mindful of the objective of the Hanoi Plan of Action, as an indispensable guideline to achieve the ASEAN Vision 2020, to strengthen the ASEAN University Network and its transformation toward the ASEAN University;

Applauding the significant achievements of the ASEAN University Network which at present, assumes a major role in higher education co-operation within the ASEAN region and between ASEAN and its Dialogue Partners including Japan, Korea, European Union, India, China and Russia;

Reaffirming the resolutions of 22nd and 23rd AIPO General Assemblies to support the establishment of ASEAN university Network, which could be based on the development of the ASEAN University, as foreseen in the 4th ASEAN Summit and the Hanoi Plan of Action;

Aware that the ASEAN University Network had made vigorous efforts in its transformation towards the ASEAN University based on the advantage of information technology advancement and that the development of the efforts had been discussed through number of diplomatic channels including ASEAN Summit and AIPO.

Convinced that it is deemed appropriate for the realization of the ASEAN University.

Resolves to set up a Special Committee to evaluate the progress on the implementation of the ASEAN University Network with a view to considering the possible of establishment of an ASEAN University in the future.