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**RESOLUTION ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA**

We, the parliamentarians of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum (APPF), gathering in Manila, Republic of the Philippines for the 31st Annual Meeting of the APPF under the theme "Resilient Partnerships for Peace, Prosperity, and Sustainability":

**Noting** the UN Security Council Resolutions 1695, 1718, 1874, 2087, 2094, 2270, 2321, 2356, 2371, 2375, 2397, the international community's position that the DPRK cannot possess nuclear in any circumstances and shall not be recognized as a nuclear state stipulated in the Joint Statement of the Six-Party Talks in September 2005, the Joint Statement of the 5<sup>th</sup> MIKTA Speakers' Consultation in November 2019, G7 Summit Communique in June 2021, Resolution on the Implementation of the NPT Safeguards Agreement between the IAEA and the DPRK at the 65<sup>th</sup> IAEA General Assembly in September 2021, the Chairman's Statement of the 16<sup>th</sup> East Asia Summit (EAS) in October 2021, the Resolutions on the Situation of Human Rights in the DPRK adopted at the UN Human Rights Council in April 2022 and at the UN General Assembly in December 2021;

**Reaffirming** all the APPF Resolutions including the resolution on Peace on the Korean Peninsula (APPF29/RES/04) adopted at the 29<sup>th</sup> Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum (APPF) Annual Meeting held in Seoul, Republic of Korea in December 2021 and resolutions on the Korean Peninsula adopted at the prior annual meetings of the APPF;

**Emphasizing** the importance of establishing regional and international cooperation in the Asia-Pacific region and in the world to secure peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula is a key issue that directly links to peace and stability in the Asia-Pacific region and beyond through meaningful dialogue between the Republic of Korea and DPRK and between the DPRK and the international community among concerned parties;

**RESOLVES TO:**

1. **Request** the APPF Member Parliaments to reaffirm the importance of the complete denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula for the peace and stability of the Peninsula, (as well as of the Asia-Pacific region), and to fully and steadily implement the relevant UNSC Resolutions;
2. **Encourage** the APPF Member Parliaments to express grave concern to the nuclear tests and launches of ballistic missiles conducted by DPRK, **urge** DPRK to abide by

relevant UNSC resolutions and the Joint Statement of the Six-Party Talks in September 2005, not to conduct any further provocative actions including nuclear tests or any launch of all ranges using ballistic missile technology, and to abandon all weapons of mass destruction and existing nuclear programs, including uranium enrichment activities, as well as ballistic missile programs of all ranges, in a complete, verifiable and irreversible manner in accordance with relevant UNSC Resolutions and also **urge** APPF Member States to fully and effectively implement these resolutions;

3. **Call on** the DPRK to comply with the complete denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula and refrain from conducting further nuclear and ballistic missile test as it agreed with relevant parties and the international community, and, in particular, to abandon its nuclear plan and ballistic missile plan in a complete, verifiable and irreversible manner in accordance with all resolutions of the UN Security Council and to make efforts for substantial progress toward the complete denuclearization and lasting peace on the Korean Peninsula, and **request** international community to lift sanctions and offer possible cooperation to DPRK when DPRK carries out the complete denuclearization;
4. **Call on** relevant parties to exercise proper restraints;
5. **Support** the efforts of the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea fully to hold an inter-Korean parliamentary speakers' meeting and **encourage** a dialogue between the parliaments of APPF Member States and the DPRK in order to establish peace on the Korean Peninsula and in the Asia-Pacific region;
6. **Urge** DPRK to take concrete actions to improve its human right situation taking into account the reasonable humanitarian concerns of its neighbors, including the abductions issue;
7. **Encourage** the APPF Member Parliaments to confirm the full support of APPF Member States in building multilateral security cooperation in Northeast Asia to address the risk of instability on the Korean Peninsula and in Northeast Asia;
8. **Call on** APPF Member Parliaments to pay continuous attention to the situation on the Korean Peninsula including improvement of inter-Korean relations and to provide full support to make active efforts for achieving the complete denuclearization and a peaceful settlement of the Korean Peninsula issue, and cooperate so that the UN General Assembly and the UN Human Rights Council will adopt, by consensus, the Resolution on the Situation of Human Rights in the DPRK.

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