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**RESOLUTION ON
PROMOTION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

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The 14th Annual Meeting of the Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum:

Knowing that the World Summit on Sustainable Development, realized in Johannesburg in 2002 recognized that the topic of energy is fundamental for sustainable development and overcoming poverty as stated in the corresponding Action Plan.

Recognizing that the lack of sufficient sources of energy has been the cause of not only pollution that has affected global environment, but also the broadening of the economic breach between industrialized and developing countries, and potential for military conflict between energy-consuming countries and those that have large resources of energy,

Knowing that approximately one billion six hundred million people do not have access to electric energy and two billion four hundred million still depend on traditional fuel, such as coal and wood, for their hygiene and cooking,

Considering that, and according to projections formulated by the United Nations, global energy consumption will increase by 60% in the next 25 years and need investments for approximately 568 billion dollars to satisfy the higher demand,

Noting that 20% of the current world demand for oil and gas is in Asia and more than 50% of the increase in annual consumption is from that region,

Knowing that greenhouse gas emissions produced by human activities come from carbon dioxide generated by the burning of fossil fuels,

Noting that renewable sources of energy, such as hydroelectric, geothermic, oleic and solar represent approximately 4.5% of the total production of global energy,

Considering that if the right policies are not promoted for better energy consumption at a global level, by 2025 the use of renewable fuel will not be more than 10%, while oil will still represent 40% of the world's fuel consumption,

Knowing that for that reason, the Millennium Project of the United Nations has considered the aim of generating electricity without using fossil fuels or nuclear

fission at competitive prices by 2025 to be the most important mission of science today in order to achieve global fuel security,

Recognizing that the international community must resolve the availability of sufficient, safe, economical and non-contaminating energy for every region on the planet in order to achieve balanced, orderly growth of world economy,

Accepting that it is important to assume a long-term perspective when speaking of global energy, intensify the development of new technology, intensify technical and scientific cooperation, increase efficiency and rationalization in consumption and ease the development and use of renewable sources of energy,

Resolves to:

To call on parliament members of the region to:

1. *Contribute* significantly to initiatives of energy issues that make it easier to meet Millennium Development Objectives, including the reduction of the number of people who live in poverty before 2015, keeping in mind that access to energy eases the eradication of poverty.
2. *Participate* actively in designing regulatory policies and framework in the energy sector that contribute to creating economic, social and institutional conditions needed to improve access to reliable, economically feasible, socially accepted and ecologically rational energy service.
3. *Promote* taking advantage of international financial instruments and mechanisms, especially the Global Environment Facility, in order to provide non developed countries with financial resources needed for training, technical knowledge and strengthening of their national institutions in respect to rational energy use.
4. *Promote* the development, diffusion and use of less contaminating and affordable technology to increase the efficiency of energy production, and promote its conveyance to non developed countries.
5. *Motivate* the development, diffusion and use of alternative technology that allows increasing the proportion of energy production corresponding to renewable sources of energy.
6. *Encourage* parliaments in the region to promote initiatives for support with international financial institutions, which favor non developed countries in their efforts to create normative and regulatory framework that establish a better balance between renewable sources of energy and energy efficiency, and the availability of advanced technology on this topic in the framework of the Summit on Financing for Development, celebrated in Johannesburg.
7. *Strengthen* institutions as well as national and regional dialogue mechanisms on energy issues with the aim of increasing international cooperation in the energy sector for sustainable development.