

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

27 January 2013

The Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum Executive Committee Meeting was held in Vladivostok on 27 January 2013. Participants included representatives of the Executive Committee member countries, namely: Canada, Chile, China, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Micronesia, New Zealand and the Russian Federation. The host countries of the next and the following APPF Annual Meetings, Mexico and Ecuador, were also represented.

By the assignment of H.E. Ms. Valentina Matvienko, Chairperson of the Council of Federation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation and President of the Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum, the meeting was chaired by Hon. Mr. Ilyas Umakhanov, Deputy Chairman of the Council of Federation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation.

The Executive Committee resolved that:

1. The Agenda of the 21st Annual Meeting of the APPF, as set out in Annex 1 be adopted;
2. The Program of Work for the 21st Annual Meeting of the APPF as set out in Annex 2 be adopted;
3. In compliance with clauses 15 and 17 of the Rules of Procedure of APPF Hon. Mr. Ilyas Umakhanov, Deputy Chairman of the Council of Federation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation be the Chairman of the 21st Annual Meeting of the APPF, and Hon. Ms. Svetlana Orlova, Deputy Chairperson of the Council of Federation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation, Hon. Mr. Vyacheslav Shtyrov, Deputy Chairman of the Council of Federation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation, and Hon. Mr. Sergey Zheleznyak, Deputy Chairman of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation, be Deputies of the Chairman of the 21st Annual Meeting of the APPF to preside at the plenary sessions on 29 and 30 January 2013.

The order of business be: the time limit for registered speakers at the plenary sessions is 7 minutes for speeches and 5 minutes for participants in the debate. The list of speakers be arranged by the Chairperson basing on the requests submitted by the Secretaries of the national Delegations through the Secretariat of the Annual Meeting, the timetable of the scheduled bilateral meetings may be taken into consideration. The Chairperson of the plenary session may give the floor to the guests of the Annual Meeting to address the subject items of the Agenda up to 5 or 7 minutes.

4. The Draft Resolutions submitted by member delegations to the 21st Annual Meeting of the APPF, as set out in Annex 3 be adopted for consideration in the Annual Meeting. The Drafting Committee be established and commence work on 28 January 2013;
5. Mr. Andrey Klimov, Deputy Chairman of the Council of Federation Committee for Foreign Affairs, be the Chairperson of the Drafting Committee. The working groups be established by the Drafting Committee.
6. The subregion countries groups, which have not yet done so, be recommended to hold in the course of the 21st Annual Meeting of the APPF the consultations regarding the appointment of their representative members of the Executive Committee from the year 2013. To ensure succession one of the current members could continue the membership for two remaining years, and the second one, a new representative, could be elected for full four years term. The results of such consultations of the subregion countries groups be reported at the fourth plenary session of the 21st Annual Meeting of the APPF.
7. The Executive Committee unanimously welcomed the proposals of Ecuador and Mexico to host the forthcoming APPF Annual Meetings. In compliance with Article 20 of the APPF Rules of Procedure, the Executive Committee fully approved their mutual concord on Mexico to host the 22nd Annual Meeting of the APPF in 2014 and Ecuador to host the 23rd Annual Meeting of the APPF in 2015.