



**RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE GOVERNMENTS OF ASIA
PACIFIC TO SET UP A JOINT SYSTEM OF MONITORING AND
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The Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum,

Determined to pursue a program of sustainable development in Asia Pacific, with emphasis on a balanced ecosystem and an unyielding concern for the protection of the same;

Encouraged by certain high-profile environmental projects and the efforts by some governments to achieve specific environmental targets for the quality of river water and ambient air within the region;

Mindful nevertheless of the helplessness of individual countries in dealing with trans-boundary pollution such as the fire that gutted a wide expanse of Indonesia's forests in 1997-98 and cast its haze for months in neighboring countries with ASEAN;

Calls as it hereby upon the governments of Asia Pacific to set up a joint system of monitoring and responding with dispatch to any trans-boundary pollution that may arise from any source;

Also **Call On** APPF members to build up a permanent Regional Emergency Unit to prevent and help overcome the effects and impact of fire, haze and other types of pollution.