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**RESOLUTION ON CULTURAL HERITAGE, EDUCATION
AND SCIENCE COOPERATION**
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THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM:

Cultural Heritage:

Recalling the APPF Vancouver Declaration which encourages mutual understanding and confidence building among the countries;

Bearing in mind the 1970 UNESCO Convention on Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property;

Recalling the 1972 UNESCO Convention on Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage;

Recalling the terms of the 1995 UNIDROIT Convention on Stolen or Illegally Exported Cultural Objects;

Noting the adoption of the 2003 Convention on the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage;

RESOLVES TO:

1. **Encourage** to collaborate in adopting preventive, mandatory and remedial measures to combat unlawful and criminal practices concerning theft, clandestine excavation and illicit import and export of cultural property.
2. **Enhance** coordination to further improve their respective systems for export license and registration of cultural property, releasing information on stolen cultural property and supervision on import of cultural property.
3. **Encourage** all member countries to promote the adoption of a regional awareness to preserve the intangible cultural heritage and cultural diversity of their people.

4. **Invite** the governments of the Asia-Pacific region to develop mid- and long-term cultural programs to strengthen and support all efforts intended to preserve cultural heritage.

Education:

Recalling the APPF Vancouver Declaration which encourages mutual understanding and confidence building among the countries;

Considering that education is a source of knowledge and dynamic orientation for sustainable development;

Recognizing the progress of science and technology integrated with social cultural dimension;

RESOLVES TO:

1. **Call on** the Asia-Pacific countries to continuously support education exchange programs and research works focusing on different aspects in the field.
2. **Encourage** APPF government institutions to recognize the importance of education quality and standards.
3. **Invite** the Asia-Pacific countries to strengthen sustainable development through educational efforts.
4. **Encourage** governmental and non-governmental institutions to increase a number of education exchange program scholarships.

Science:

Recognizing the United Nations Millennium Declaration;

Underlining the importance of science and technology;

Noting that there is a need to provide substantial support to innovative activities;

RESOLVES TO:

1. **Recommend** countries to develop legislative and financial support for the development of high technology and ICT.
2. **Promote** the development of a network of innovation of industrial processes among member countries.

3. **Encourage** the countries to strengthen national science and technology education systems through developing appropriate policies.
4. **Consider** the importance of incubators and science and technology parks.
5. **Encourage** research of innovation and exchange of young researchers.