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**Resolution by the Mexican Delegation on Disasters and Civil Protection.**

Considering that

Disasters, both natural or technological, have increased their destructive power to cause irreversible damage to mankind and considerable material losses to the economies, causing in many cases serious drawbacks, which take years and sometimes decades to recover;

The international strategy created at the heart of the United Nations concluded in 1999, without achieving the aim of decreasing the damage that natural disasters have caused on humanity;

The Asia Pacific region presents the highest risks, of earthquakes because of geological fault lines, of the threat of environmental and weather changes that have brought about not only the reactivation of volcanoes in the region but also the occurrence of typhoons, cyclones, hurricanes and the El Niño phenomenon, with devastating results and loss of human lives;

It is essential to encourage a comprehensive management of risk and reduce vulnerability in international agendas, in order to find responses in case of catastrophes, and improve capability to face contingencies, promoting the legal framework to guarantee adequate protection of the population in case of disaster;

Resolves:

To call upon the Parliaments of the Asia Pacific region to revise their current legislation on national disaster and civil protection issues and, depending on the case, to create or adjust the system, in order to provide an adequate institutional structure to face and alleviate the effects of disaster.

To create a Working Group to design the mechanisms required to establish, in the context of the Asia Pacific regional organizations, a fund with resources to help solve the problems of countries affected by catastrophes, contingencies and natural disasters, from a comprehensive perspective including preventive, educational, assistance and reconstruction aspects.