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RESOLUTION ON MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE

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THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASIA-PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM:

Emphasizing that trade in goods and services strengthens our economies and increases our quality of life;

Considering that commercial linkages between states are developed through person to person interactions and that facilitating these linkages improves trade;

Noting that many families are spread across different APPF members and that seeing one's family is also important to our quality of life;

Noting that tourists provide economic opportunities for destination countries;

RESOLVES TO:

- 1. Call upon APPF member countries to promote convenient, economic and consistent movement of people between member states.
- 2. **Encourage** APFF member countries to minimize visa requirements for entry into their territory and maximize the flexibility of visas, while ensuring domestic security.
- 3. **Encourage** APPF member countries to facilitate fair competition in the global travel industry.
- 4. **Encourage** APPF member countries to support conferences, work exchanges and student exchanges between each other.
- 5. **Encourage** APPF member countries to facilitate the recognition of professional credentials from other members.
- 6. Encourage APPF member countries to work towards social security portability agreements.