

**RESOLUTION ON POLITICAL AND SECURITY SITUATION OF THE  
ASIA-PACIFIC REGION AND THE WORLD**  
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The 13th Annual Meeting of the Asia - Pacific Parliamentary Forum,

Reaffirming the importance of global peace and security and stability in the Asia Pacific region;

Acknowledging that the nature of security threats has changed in the advent of the global terrorist threat;

Underlining sovereign nations' responsibility for protecting their citizens from the threat posed by terrorism and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, through effective national measures and international cooperation, on the basis of international law and the Charter of the United Nations;

Mindful of the importance of regional peace, stability and democracy to the well-being of member states' peoples and economies;

Committed to working together to promote dialogue and cooperation within the Asia Pacific on security issues;

Recognizing the ARF's role as the region's pre-eminent security forum;

Supportive of efforts by forums such as the ARF in promoting regional stability

Resolves to:

Commend the efforts of the ARF and other forums to address security threats in the Asia-Pacific;

Call upon Asia Pacific Parliaments to redouble national measures and international cooperation to promote peace and security;

Reaffirm the importance of open and inclusive regional dialogue for Asia Pacific security;

Support efforts by member states and multilateral organizations to prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, to combat terrorism and transnational crime, to promote good governance, rule of law and to provide the conditions for stability and prosperity.