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**REPORT OF THE
MEETING OF COMMITTEE OF WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS OF
AIPA (WAIPA)**

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Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

As the Chair of the Meeting of Women Parliamentarians of AIPA (WAIPA), it is my great honor to submit the Report of the Meeting as follows:

1. The Committee met on 21 November 2022 from 15.00 hrs to 17:45hrs. The meeting was chaired by Hon. Mrs. Lork Kheng, the Chairman of the Commission on Public Health, Social Work, Veterans, Youth Rehabilitation, Labor, Vocational Training, and Women's Affairs of the National Assembly of the Kingdom of Cambodia. The meeting appointed Hon. Mrs. Mak Vansitha, Member of Commission on Public Health, Social Work, Veterans, Youth Rehabilitation, Labor, Vocational Training, and Women's Affairs of the National Assembly of the Kingdom of Cambodia, as the Rapporteur.
2. The Meeting was attended by eight AIPA Member Parliaments. The meeting had the Speaker of Parliament of Azerbaijan, H. E. Sahiba Gafarova, as the Guest of the meeting.

The following delegates attended the meeting:

Brunei Darussalam

- a) Mr. Amalul Muttaqin Ismail
- b) Ms. Haslinda Hidup

Cambodia

- a) Hon. Mr. Ouk Damry
- b) Hon. Mrs. Un Sokunthea
- c) Hon. Mrs. Khoun Khundy

Indonesia

- a) Hon. Ms. Irine Yusiana Roba Putri
- b) Hon. Ms. Ina Ammania

Lao PDR

- a) Hon. Mrs. Thoummaly Vongphachanh
- b) Hon. Mrs. Vandy Bouthasavong
- c) Hon. Ms. Valy Vethsaphong

Philippines

- a) Hon. Ms. Geraldine B. Roman
- b) Hon. Ms. Juliet Marie De Leon Ferrer
- c) Hon. Ms. Maria Rachel J. Arenas
- d) Hon. Ms. Janice Z. Salimbangon

Singapore

- a) Hon. Ms. Joan Pereira
- b) Hon. Ms. Hany Soh

Thailand

- a) Hon. Ms. Pikulkeaw Krairiksh
- b) Hon. Ms. Silumpa Lertnuwat
- c) Hon. Mr. Taopiphop Limjitrakorn

Viet Nam

- a) Hon. Mrs. Le Thu Ha
 - b) Hon. Mrs. Nguyen Thanh Cam
 - c) Hon. Mrs. Mai Thi Phuong Hoa
 - d) Hon. Mrs. Duong Minh Anh
3. Samdech Akka Moha Ponhea Chakrei Heng Samrin, President of the 43rd of General Assembly of AIPA, President of the National Assembly of the Kingdom of Cambodia, delivered the keynote speech to open the meeting. In his remarks, he highlighted the role of women parliamentarians as key actors for a sustainable, inclusive and resilient ASEAN, particularly in the context of the post-COVID-19 socio-economic recovery.
 4. The Meeting invited the Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Azerbaijan, H.E. Ms. Sahiba Gafarova, to deliver keynote speech. In her remarks, Her Excellency emphasized the crucial role of women parliamentarians in achieving gender

equality and empowerment of all women and girls by 2030, as well as in advancing the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda on the implementation of the UNSC resolution 1325.

5. Following the keynote speeches, the Meeting resumed with the introduction of Delegations, where all Heads of Delegation were also given the opportunity to deliver brief remarks.
6. The Meeting of the Committee of Women Parliamentarians of AIPA (WAIPA) was held in the traditional ASEAN spirit of friendship, unity and cooperation. The AIPA Member Parliaments discussed and approved the following resolution(s):

a) Resolution on the Adoption of the Report of the Meeting of the Coordinating Committee of Women Parliamentarians of AIPA (WAIPA)

7. The report highlights the key findings of multi-stakeholder dialogues on the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and conflicts on women and girls, the development of holistic and innovative pathways towards a sustainable, inclusive and resilient recovery through the empowerment of women and girls, and recommendations on some key measures to increase women's equal participation in politics, including the possibility to increase the minimum number of women parliamentarians participating in AIPA General Assembly.
8. The WAIPA Committee Meeting agreed to adopt the Report of the Meeting of the Coordinating Committee of Women Parliamentarians of AIPA (WAIPA).

b) Resolution on Gender Equality and Women Empowerment for a Sustainable, Inclusive and Resilient COVID-19 Recovery

9. The Meeting expressed the concern of women parliamentarians over the significant gender equality and inclusion implications of the global pandemic outbreak and urged the development of gender-responsive plan to remove barriers to women's full participation in decision making at all levels and across all sectors. The Meeting encouraged the AIPA Member Parliaments to increase visibility and mainstream gender into the policy making process of COVID-19 economic recovery, at all stages, from the formulation to the implementation. Thus, the Meeting supported the adoption of the Resolution.

c) Resolution on Promoting the Role of Women Parliamentarians in Advancing Women, Peace and Security Agenda

10. The WAIPA Committee Meeting discussed how the AIPA Member Parliaments, especially the women parliamentarians, can strengthen the role of women in the peace and security process, conflict prevention, post-conflict reconstruction, and rehabilitation. Through the Resolution, the Committee called upon the ASEAN Member States to:

- Support the development of plans of action at the national level and designing of an inclusive regional action plan on the implementation of the UNSC 1325 resolution
- Adopt appropriate measures to prevent the challenges faced by women in conflict areas, and
- Endorse gender-responsive budgeting to support the implementation of the WPS Agenda; and
- Enhance the development of capacity building programmes for AIPA Member Parliaments on the WPS-related issues.

11. I hereby present the Report of the Meeting of the Committee of Women Parliamentarians of AIPA (WAIPA) for approval.

Thank you for your attention.

HON. MRS. LORK KHENG
CHAIRPERSON

HON. MAK VANSITHA
RAPPORTEUR