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Forging Parliamentary Cooperation in Digital Inclusion Towards ASEAN Community 2025

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DRAFT RESOLUTION ON

GRANTING PERMISSION TO USE SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE PAYMENT OF COST-SHARING OF THE NEW PREMISES OF AIPA SECRETARIAT AND FOR THE MINOR ADJUSTMENT IN THE SALARY OF THE LOCALLY RECRUITED STAFF OF THE AIPA SECRETARIAT

Sponsored by AIPA Secretariat

The Forty-Second AIPA General Assembly:

Recalling the AIPA Resolution No. Res. 41/GA/2020/org/07 on the Relocation of AIPA Secretariat Premises, adopted at the 41st AIPA General Assembly in Viet Nam;

Appreciating the support provided by the ASEAN Secretariat and the Committee of Permanent Representatives to ASEAN in granting a rent-free work space for the Permanent Secretariat of AIPA.

Fully aware that the relocation of AIPA Secretariat premises from the Indonesian Parliament Compound to the Heritage Building of ASEAN Secretariat generates extra expenses to the present budget regarding the annual operational and maintenance costs;

Aware of the moral and ethical obligation of the AIPA Member Parliaments to ensure the welfare of the AIPA Secretariat staff and that salary incremental could be one of the solutions to address the issue of high employment turn-over rate of the AIPA Secretariat;

Acknowledging the request extended by the AIPA Secretariat during the Working Group Meeting on the Transformation of AIPA Secretariat to to pay the cost-sharing of the new premises of the AIPA Secretariat as well as to increase the salary of the locally recruited staff;

Realizing that due to budget constraint, increasing the annual contribution of AIPA member parliaments is inevitable to address the above-mentioned issue;

Taking into consideration the prolonged Covid-19 pandemic that led to the weakening of the economy of the ASEAN Member States which makes it difficult for most AIPA Member Parliaments to increase the annual contribution for this challenging time;

Hereby Resolves to:

Grant permission to AIPA Secretariat to utilize the Special Fund to pay the cost sharing of the new premises of AIPA Secretariat and slightly increase salary of locally recruited staff up

to USD.28,000 and USD. 15,210 respectively, until the increment of the annual contribution is put into force in 2023.

Adopted on the twenty fifth day of August two thousand twenty one in Brunei Darussalam.

