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RESOLUTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DIALOGUE WITH DRUG-FIGHTING AGENCIES

The Twenty-third General Assembly:

Recalling Resolution 22/GA/2001/Soc/02 of the 22nd AIPO General Assembly which created the AIPO Fact Finding Committee (AIFOCOM) to combat the drug menace and mandating the AIFOCOM to consider among others the establishment of a dialogue with agencies dealing with narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, (hereinafter referred to as “Drug” or “Drugs”);

Being concerned that despite vigorous programs of action undertaken by governments of ASEAN to combat and totally eradicate illegal Drug trafficking and their ill effects, the Drug menace is still unabated and in fact it is even on the rise;

Noting that the ASEAN governments’ efforts to combat the Drug menace through the effective implementation of laws, policies and programs shall be assisted by the national parliaments and AIPO;

Recognizing the need to promote mutual understanding and the exchange of information on all aspects of Drug abuse and illicit trafficking and to prevent the further spread of Drug abuse;

Being convinced that a regular dialogue between AIPO and Drug fighting agencies will play a vital role in strengthening the efforts of attaining a Drug-free ASEAN;

Resolves to

1. Establish regular dialogues among AIPO member countries, Special Observer countries and Drug fighting agencies of the respective countries for the exchange of information on all matters concerning the Drug problem;
2. Entrust AIFOCOM with the task of inviting the Drug fighting agencies for dialogue, which shall be conducted before each AIPO General Assembly is convened and reporting the results thereof to the said body;
3. Request AIPO member countries and Special Observer countries to use the AIFOCOM forum as their monitoring channel.

