## ASIA-PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM (APPF)

## **5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING**

## **Asia-Europe Cooperation**

(Sponsored by Thailand)

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum;

**Realizing** the significance of inter-regional dialogue and consultation;

**Aware** that Asia-Europe Co-operation has now entered a new era of Asia-Europe Partnership for greater growth;

**Noting** the efforts of Asian and European Parliamentarians to establish a channel of formal consultation to enhance regional ties and strengthen regional co-operation;

**Convinced** that such initiative is in line with the APPF vision to develop closer interregional consultative links;

## **RESOLVES TO:**

- 1. **Welcome** the successful meetings of the First Asia Europe Meeting (ASEM) in Bangkok, Thailand in March 1996 and the First Asia Europe Parliamentary Partnership (ASEP) in Strasbourg, France in April of the same year;
- 2. **Encourage** the continuity of this type of inter-regional and parliamentary consultative processes by APPF member countries.