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**Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Exchange of Observers between the International Conference of Asian Political Parties (ICAPP) and the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA)**

The International Conference of Asian Political Parties (hereinafter referred to as "the ICAPP" as the First Party) and ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (hereinafter referred to as "the AIPA" as the Second Party). The First Party and the Second Party are hereinafter referred to collectively as "the Parties";

Recognizing the unique roles played by the parliamentarians in the AIPA and the representatives of political parties in the ICAPP, in creating an environment for sustained peace and shared prosperity in their regions, by promoting exchanges and cooperation between parliamentarians and political leaders representing various ideologies, and thus enhancing the mutual understanding and trust among peoples; and

Wishing that the enhanced cooperation and coordination between the Parties will further consolidate and channel diverse perspectives of the peoples, as expressed in political discourses at all levels; local, national, and regional, will contribute to helping them move forward to build a more peaceful, harmonious, and prosperous world;

Have reached the following understandings:

**Paragraph 1**

The Parties shall respect each Party's governing instruments, including but not limited to, Statutes, Rules of Procedures, and Charter, and support each Party's activities and initiatives to promote peace and prosperity in their regions, which are available and possible within their capacity.

**Paragraph 2**

The Parties may invite each Party's representatives to participate as observers in their respective meetings deemed appropriate, and provide support based on each organization's respective modalities and resources, to facilitate their participation.

**Paragraph 3**

This MOU does not impose any legally binding obligations for the Parties.

**Paragraph 4**

Any differences arising from the interpretation or implementation of this MOU shall be solved through consultations and/or negotiations between the AIPA and the ICAPP.

**Paragraph 5**

(1) This MOU will come into effect on the date of signature and will remain in effect for a period of three (3) years until 22 November 2027.
(2) This MOU may be renewed for further periods of no more than three (3) years by prior consent of the Parties, respecting each Party's procedures, and subject to a review of the results of the collaborative activities and a written agreement between the Parties.
(3) Either Party may terminate this MOU by providing the other Party with no less than three (3) months' prior written notice.
(4) The Parties may, upon mutual consent, introduce amendments and additions to this MOU, whether stated within this MOU or in separate legal documents that comply with the provisions herein. Such amendments and additions shall come into force in the same manner as this MOU and shall form an integral part thereof.

Signed at Phnom Penh, Cambodia, on the 22nd day of November 2024, in the English language.

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