



ASEAN INTER-PARLIAMENTARY ORGANIZATION  
**27<sup>TH</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
10 - 15 SEPTEMBER 2006 ▲ CEBU CITY, PHILIPPINES

Res. 27GA/2006/Eco-05

**RESOLUTION**

**ON**

**COMMON LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES ON IMPROVING THE QUALITY  
STANDARD AND QUANTITY OF THE AGRICULTURE PRODUCT**

The Twenty-Seventh General Assembly;

**Mindful** of the Resolution 26GA/2005/Org/06 of the 26<sup>th</sup> AIPO General Assembly which mandated the AIPO Ad-Hoc Committee on Transformation of AIPO Into a More Effective and Closely Integrated Institutions to formulate the term of reference in identifying common legislative initiatives;

**Realizing** that all the ASEAN Member Countries are basically agrarian societies which lead to the need for strengthening regional cooperation to enhance the international competitiveness of ASEAN's agriculture products which in turn would benefit ASEAN Member Countries and their societies in particular their farmers;

**Recalling** the Vientiane Action Programme adopted by the ASEAN Leaders during the 10<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Summit in Vientiane, Lao PDR, November 2004 which mandated the ASEAN Member Countries to take action on the development and adoption of new technology in agricultural production, promotion of trade, investment and services incidental to agriculture to increase trade in agro-based products; and development, harmonizing and adopting quality, standards and regulations for agricultural product;

**Reaffirming** that one of the aims of Transforming AIPO into a More Effective and Closely Integrated Institutions is to enhance the important role of parliaments of ASEAN Member Countries to promote regional cooperation, particularly to attain the objectives of ASEAN Community;

**Acknowledging** that one of the problems in advancing agricultural sector especially in increasing the level of agricultural production in ASEAN derived from the lack of the implementation of modern technology and the predominantly sub-quality soil in the ASEAN Member Countries;

**Recognizing** that in the common effort to increase the production and quality of the agriculture, ASEAN Member Countries need to foster their cooperation and the sharing on the development and adoption of new technology and harmonization as well as adopting the legislation to improve the quality, standards and yield of the agriculture product;

**Encouraging** ASEAN member countries to harmonize their legislation in IMPROVING THE quality, standards and yield of agricultural product;

**Hereby resolves to request:**

1. The President of [AIPO] to submit this resolution to the Chairman of the ASEAN Standing Committee with the objective of promoting cooperation among ASEAN Member Countries in improving quality, standards and yield of the agricultural product;
2. The ASEAN Standing Committee to initiate the development of ASEAN Agreement for the improvement OF quality, standards and yield of the agricultural product in ASEAN ;
3. The [AIPO] member countries to ratify the aforesaid agreement in their respective national parliaments.

Adopted this 14th day of September 2006 in Cebu City, Philippines.