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# **Conclusion of the 7th General Assembly from the World Scout Parliamentary Union**

8 November 2013

7th General Assembly of the World Scout Parliamentary Union was held from 6 November to 8 November, in Tokyo Japan.

### **We, as parliamentarians gathered together in the 7th General Assembly of the World Scout Parliamentary Union:**

- Recalls that in 6th General Assembly re-launched the World Scout Parliamentary Union;
- Noted that the General Assembly of World Scout Parliamentary Union is a very unique opportunity to meet and network with colleagues from around the world to exchange ideas and share the best practices;
- agreed to further expand our work on supporting youths around the world, especially the Scout Movement.

### **The 7th General Assembly expresses:**

- its deep appreciation to **His Excellency Mr. Shinzo Abe, Prime Minister of Japan** and **the Honorable Bunmei Ibuki, Speaker of the House of the Representatives** of Japan, for showing warm welcome and hosting wonderful reception for the General Assembly;
- appreciation to **the Honorable Chung Ui Hwa**, outgoing President of World Scout Parliamentary Union, for his great work done in this trienium to revitalising activities of WORLD SCOUT PARLIAMENTARY UNION;
- gratitude to the **Japan Scout Parliamentary Association** for hosting the 7th General Assembly, represented by **the Honorable Ichiro Aisawa, President of JSPA** and the **Honorable Kenji Kosaka, Chairman of the Host Committee**.

### **The 7th General Assembly learned:**

- it is important to provide **safe enviroment for children** in order to educate young people;
- importance of giving opportunity for young people to take future leadership;
- various roles that we as the parliamentarian can play in order to support young people and the Scout Movement.



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### The 7th General Assembly:

- confirmed:
  - ✧ **Hon. Chung Ui-Hwa (Korea)** as the Honory President
  - ✧ **Mr. Scott Teare (Secretary General, the World Organization of the Scout Movement)** as the Ex-Officio
- elected:
  - ✧ **Hon. Ryu Shionoya (Japan)**
  - ✧ **Hon. Ewa Thalén Finné (Sweden)**
  - ✧ **Hon. Sutham Phanthusak (Thailand)**
  - ✧ **Hon. Francisco Tinio Matugas (Philippines)**
  - ✧ **Hon. Ibrahim Gadal Tirab (Sudan)**
  - ✧ **Hon. Abdulgader Omar Mohamed Hwili (Libya)**
  - ✧ **Hon. Abdulkarim Esmali Hassan Shah (Tanzania)**

as members of the Executive Committee until the 8th General Assembly to be held in 2017.
- welcomed the **Honorable Ryu Shionoya** as the President, the **Honorable Ewa Thalén Finné** as the First Vice-President, and the **Honorable Sutham Phanthusak** as the Second Vice-President, **Hon. Abdulkarim Esmali Hassan Shah** as the Treasurer of World Scout Parliamentary Union for the next quadrennial;
- **Ammended its constituions:**
  - ✧ Article 6-2 "The General Assembly meets once every three years.": changed to **"The General Assembly meets once every four years."** This change will be applied from the 7th General Assembly.
  - ✧ Article 7-1 "The Executive Committee consists of 5 to 9 members ...": changed to **"The Executive Committee consists of 5 to 12 members ..."**
  - ✧ Article 7-2 "Members of the Executive Committee are elected for a three year mandate, renewable once." into **"Members of the Executive Committee are elected for a four year mandate, renewable once."** In addition, added the following: **"except President and Vice President in order to make effective transition and keep continuity of the Union."**
  - ✧ Article 8-1, second paragraph: "The Executive Committee shall elect, by ballot, the President of WORLD SCOUT PARLIAMENTARY UNION and the two Vice-Presidents from among its elected members." to **"The Executive Committee shall elect, by ballot, the President of WORLD SCOUT PARLIAMENTARY UNION and maximum of three Vice-Presidents from among its elected members."**
  - ✧ Article 8-5 was added with **"Executive Committee may appoint Honorary Positions when necessary."**
- Agreed that **WORLD SCOUT PARLIAMENTARY UNION** needs further expansion in terms of participating countries, therefore, gave **exceptional power to the Executive Committee to appoint vacant seat in the Executive Committee** for the next quadrennial;
- Decided that the 8th General Assembly in 2017 to be hosted in **Sweden**.



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**The 7th General Assembly affirms that there are works to be done in order to further develop WORLD SCOUT PARLIAMENTARY UNION, and requests the Executive Committee to develop:**

- membership of WORLD SCOUT PARLIAMENTARY UNION, especially in Europe and Americas;
- annual fee system and possible budget structure;
- further cooperation with the World Organization of the Scout Movement, as well as each National Scout Parliamentary Association and its National Scout Organizations;
- effective work structure within WORLD SCOUT PARLIAMENTARY UNION.