



**NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT  
PARLIAMENTARY NETWORK  
FIFTH CONFERENCE UNDER THE THEME  
“THE ROLE OF PARLIAMENTS IN ENSURING CLIMATE-RESILIENT  
URBANIZATION IN THE NAM AREA”**

**15 APRIL 2026, ISTANBUL, TÜRKİYE  
ISTANBUL DECLARATION**

We, the Members of Parliaments of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Member States,

Having met at the Fifth Conference of the NAM Parliamentary Network on 15 April 2026, in Istanbul, the Republic of Türkiye, on the sidelines of the 152<sup>nd</sup> Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union,

**1. Proudly commemorate** the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the Non-Aligned Movement at the First Summit Conference held in Belgrade from 1 to 6 September 1961, which drawing upon the principles of the Bandung Conference, brought together countries from different regions on a broader geographical basis and established a common platform for the promotion of sovereign equality, non-interference, peaceful coexistence and international cooperation;

**2. Reaffirm** our steadfast commitment to the principles and objectives of the Non-Aligned Movement, articulated in Bandung (1955), Belgrade (1961) and Havana (2006), including sovereignty, territorial integrity, peaceful coexistence and multilateral cooperation, the right of peoples to self-determination, in line with the spirit of the Bandung Conference, which emphasized the fundamental right of peoples to determine their own destiny while respecting the principle of non-interference in the internal affairs of other nations, and *recognize* their continued relevance in our pursuit of a peaceful, fair equitable and prosperous world;

**3. Recall** the visionary efforts of the founding fathers of the Non-Aligned Movement in fostering peaceful coexistence, cooperation and sustainable development among all nations, and *acknowledge* their wisdom and determination, in establishing a significant international political platform, that unites like-minded members of the global community;

**4. Express** our strict adherence to the purposes, principles and provisions of the Charter of the United Nations, along with the norms and principles of international law, which have guided the Non-Aligned Movement in its mission, and *reiterate* our unwavering dedication to these goals, particularly in upholding sovereign equality, territorial integrity and promoting international peace through the peaceful settlement of disputes;

**5. *Underscore*** the central role of promoting the rule of law, justice, and good governance in realizing human rights and fundamental freedoms, *stress* in this regard the legislative authority of Parliaments, and *acknowledge* the significant role that Parliaments of NAM Member States can play in monitoring and ensuring full and effective compliance with the Movement's founding principles, as well as in achieving its ideals and purposes;

**6. *Reiterate*** our confidence that the NAM Parliamentary Network, through its activities, will continue to play a pivotal role in advancing inter-parliamentary cooperation on a global scale, with a particular emphasis on promoting common values, as well as fostering dialogue, mutual understanding and collaborative solutions to global challenges;

**7. *Express*** our profound concern regarding the persistence of complex global issues, including enduring geopolitical tensions, armed conflicts, escalating economic inequality, climate change, rapid and unregulated artificial intelligence development sustainable development and the food and energy crisis and the ongoing trade wars and the threat of pandemics as well as the growing threat of transnational organized crime, including cybercrime and online scams, which adversely affect socio-economic stability and security of states all of which remain significant challenges confronting humanity. Also, reaffirm the commitment to collaborative multilateral action, innovative solutions, and sustained dialogue to address these pressing challenges;

**8. *Welcome*** the outcomes of the 19<sup>th</sup> Mid-Term Ministerial Conference of the NAM that took place in Kampala, Uganda, on 15-16 October, 2025 under the theme "Deepening Cooperation for Shared Global Affluence" and *reaffirm* the NAM Parliamentary Network's commitment to advancing our collective desire for peace, stability, development and prosperity towards a stronger and united NAM;

**9. *Call*** for the immediate lifting of all unilateral coercive measures, including those intentionally deployed measures used as tools for political, economic and financial pressure against any country, in particular against developing countries, which violates the Charter of the United Nations, rules and principles of international law, especially that such measures hinder the well-being of populations of the affected countries, and create obstacles to the full realization of their human rights;

**10. *Highlight*** the need for strengthened unity and concerted actions within the Movement, particularly in response to new emerging challenges that threaten the well-being and stability of NAM Member States;

**11. *Reiterate*** the significance of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly in the areas of health, education, housing, food security, nutrition, poverty eradication, environmental sustainability, and bridging the digital divide and *underscore* the importance of good governance, as well as transparency and accountability, in supporting the effective implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, *further commit* to incorporating the SDGs into our legislative frameworks by enacting laws that oblige our governments to allocate specific proportions of the

national budget to the sectors of health, education, housing, and food security, with an annual parliamentary oversight mechanism;

**12.** Emphasize the importance of resilient global supply chains to safeguard food and energy security, as well as economic stability, particularly for developing countries;

**13.** *Reaffirm* the importance of sustainable urbanization as a driver of inclusive economic growth, social development and poverty eradication in developing countries, including the role of smart cities, digital infrastructure and innovation-driven urban planning and *recall* the New Urban Agenda and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in particular Sustainable Development Goal 11, aimed at making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable;

**14.** *Commend* the efforts of the State of Qatar in hosting the Second United Nations World Summit for Social Development, held during the period from 4 to 6 November 2025, and the Doha Political Declaration adopted therein, which embodies a shared commitment by governments to addressing poverty, enhancing decent work opportunities, combating discrimination, expanding social protection, and safeguarding human rights;

**15.** *Highlight* the role of digital transformation, artificial intelligence and emerging technologies in advancing sustainable development, while ensuring responsible use, effective data governance, and narrowing the digital divide;

**16.** *Welcome* the convening of the 13<sup>th</sup> Session of the World Urban Forum (WUF13) to be held in Baku, Azerbaijan, from 17 to 22 May, 2026 under the theme “Housing the world: Safe and Resilient Cities and Communities”, emphasizing the country’s strong commitment to the New Urban Agenda, housing, SDG localization and urban crisis recovery;

**17.** *Highlight* the importance of strengthening international cooperation to support the implementation of the New Urban Agenda, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in its resolution 71/256 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, adopted in resolution 70/1, and *welcome* of the UN-Habitat Strategic Plan for the period 2026-2029, which seeks to promote inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable cities and human settlements and *underscore* the need to enhance support for developing countries through increased access to finance, technology development and transfer, as well as capacity-building, while addressing the existing gaps in climate finance and ensuring predictable, adequate and accessible funding for developing countries in accordance with national legislation;

**18.** *Recognize* the disproportionate impact of climate change on developing countries and *call* for urgent global action to fulfil climate commitments, ensure climate justice including addressing loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change through national legislations and promote green technologies, while committing to advocate for stronger environmental policies within our national legislatures. Also, commit to collaborate with international partners to secure equitable access to green technologies and support the efforts of developing countries in combating the adverse

effects of climate change, while ensuring that just transition pathways are nationally determined, inclusive, and implemented in a manner that avoids exacerbating debt vulnerabilities and respects development needs and priorities;

**19.** *Emphasize* the importance of enhancing international cooperation through partnership in the energy sector to ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all, including clean and renewable energy, through transfer of more efficient and environmentally sound technologies to developing countries, as well as promoting public and private investment in energy infrastructure, and clean energy technologies, acknowledging the role of all energy sources in ensuring energy security and sustainability, and the importance of stability in global markets;

**20.** *Stress* the urgency for action in achieving a just, lasting, comprehensive and peaceful solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, in line with relevant United Nations Security Council Resolutions and internationally recognized initiatives, including the Arab Peace Initiative, and *reiterate* the need for substantial and urgent progress to be made towards achieving an end to the Israeli occupation, including establishment of the State of Palestine, with Jerusalem as its capital, to achieve a two-state solution, and reaffirm the need to intensify efforts aimed at enabling the State of Palestine's full membership in the United Nations and to exercise its legitimate rights;

**21.** *Deeply concerned* about the ongoing and worsening deterioration of the humanitarian crisis, in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, in particular the Gaza Strip, *request* the UN and calls upon the international community to substantially scale up the delivery of humanitarian assistance to Gaza, including by ensuring safe, rapid and unhindered passage for humanitarian relief in accordance with international humanitarian law, to rebuild infrastructure, to support the reconstruction of damaged infrastructure, facilitate rehabilitation and recovery efforts, and uphold the right of protection and return of the civilians of Gaza in conformity with international humanitarian norms;

**22.** *Commend* the efforts of the Arab Republic of Egypt in convening and hosting the Sharm el-Sheikh Peace Summit on October 13, 2025, which reaffirmed unequivocal support for the implementation of the Sharm el-Sheikh Agreement to end the war on the Gaza Strip and to advance a political settlement of the Palestinian question through ending the occupation and achieving the Two-State Solution in accordance with international law; and *acknowledge* with appreciation the participation and contributions of NAM Member States, while emphasizing the importance of continued cooperation to ensure the effective implementation of the Agreement and to initiate consultations on the next stages of the settlement process;

**23.** *Reaffirm* our commitment to supporting the inalienable right of peoples under colonial rule, urging the international community to end colonialism in accordance with UN resolutions, and welcome the role played by the Baku Initiative Group in this regard;

**24.** *Acknowledge* the urgent need to strive for greater acceptance, operationalization and the realization of the right to development at the international level, as an integral part of human rights and fundamental freedoms;

**25.** *Stress* the need to increase meaningful and inclusive participation of youth of NAM Member States in attaining the principles, ideals and purposes of the Movement and appreciate in this regard the activities of NAM Youth Organization;

**26.** *Affirm* that sustainable development cannot be achieved without the inclusion of youth and women in shaping national policies, and in this regard propose the establishment of special parliamentary committees for their empowerment and to ensure their effective participation in legislation and oversight;

**27.** *Underscore* our strong commitment to providing parliamentary support to the activities of NAM in addressing complex global challenges and major issues of concern to all NAM Member States, which require concerted, unified and cooperative responses, and *reaffirm* our strong determination as Parliaments to complement the efforts of the Governments in formulating and implementing effective national policies and strategies to address these pressing issues;

**28.** *Stress* our aspiration to advance the institutional framework and regulatory mechanisms of the NAM Parliamentary Network, particularly by expanding and operationalizing the Bureau and Standing Committees in line with existing NAM methodology and *welcome* the decision to establish the Headquarters of the NAM Parliamentary Network in Baku, the Republic of Azerbaijan;

**29.** *Welcome* the successful outcomes of the Baku (2022), Manama (2023), Geneva (2024) and Tashkent (2025) Conferences of the NAM Parliamentary Network, highlighting their key achievements, particularly the adoption of the Baku Statute on the Working Modalities of the NAM Parliamentary Network, including its logo and flag, as well as the milestone Decisions that regulate its operational framework;

**30.** *Commend* the efforts of the Republic of Azerbaijan, the Republic of Uganda, and the Republic of Uzbekistan as NAM Troika members for their dedication to promoting the fundamental purposes and principles of the Movement, including multilateralism, regional and international peace and security, as well as strengthening solidarity, cooperation and dialogue among NAM Member States;

**31.** *Express* our sincere gratitude to H.E. Ms. Sahiba Gafarova, Speaker of the Milli Majlis of Azerbaijan and incumbent Chairperson of the NAM Parliamentary Network, for her exemplary leadership in organizing and chairing the Fifth Conference of the NAM Parliamentary Network, *recognize* her steadfast dedication and effective leadership in advancing the Network's core principles, and deeply appreciate her efforts in promoting inter-parliamentary cooperation and strengthening the Network's institutional framework;

**32.** *Extend* our heartfelt appreciation to people and the government of the Republic of Türkiye for hosting the Fifth Conference of the NAM Parliamentary Network;

**33.** *Decide* to hold the next meeting of the NAM Parliamentary Network on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, on the sidelines of the \_\_\_\_ Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union.