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Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

Annual Report¹ 2022-2023

¹ In line with relevant provisions of the Statute on Working Modalities of the Non-Aligned Movement Parliamentary Network (NAM PN) the Chairperson of the Network shall prepare an annual report in which he/she presents activities and achievements of the Network in the previous year, and international parliamentary developments of concern to Members of the Network.

Highlights and Priorities

The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Parliamentary Network

The NAM Parliamentary Network was established upon the initiative of H.E. Mr. Ilham Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan and Chair of the Non-Aligned Movement on November 28, 2021 in Madrid, Spain.

Development of the NAM Parliamentary Network

We were pleased to welcome our guests from NAM Member States to the Baku Conference of the NAM Parliamentary Network held on June 30 – July 1, 2022 in Baku, Azerbaijan. Since then we continue to grow and admit new members to our Network.

Building and strengthening cooperation

This year the NAM Parliamentary Network granted/obtained observer status with various international parliamentary organizations.

Signing Memoranda of Understanding with different international parliamentary bodies is another success of the Network.

Engaging through events

The Network was represented in several important international fora. The Chairperson of the Network paid several official/working visits to other countries, delivered speeches at International Conferences.

Amplifying our actions

In July 2022, we set up the Secretariat of the NAM Parliamentary Network that administers and coordinates the activities of the Network.

In January 2022, we launched the web page of the NAM Parliamentary Network – www.nam-pn.org. The web page covers all the activities of the NAM Parliamentary Network.

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Ms. Sahiba Gafarova

Speaker of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Chairperson of the Non-Aligned Movement Parliamentary Network (NAM PN)

While humanity passes through COVID-19 pandemic and undergoes the increasing impact of emerging challenges security, and sustainable peace, to development, it is of crucial importance to consolidate efforts in our ensuring parliamentary contribution to the solution of major problems of concern to all Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Member States and the entire mankind.

The NAM Parliamentary Network, guided by the noble aim of the founding fathers of NAM to promote the the peaceful coexistence and sustainable development of all nations in full compliance with the Bandung Principles as well as the values of multilateralism and international cooperation underpinning the Charter of the United Nations, continues to contribute to strengthening and deepening the parliamentary interaction among parliaments of NAM Member States, as well with international parliamentary as organizations, with a view to addressing the challenges on time.

The principles and objectives of the Non-Aligned Movement, articulated in Bandung (1955), Belgrade (1961) and Havana (2006) and their relevance to our efforts to achieve a world of peace, equality, cooperation and well-being for all are a beacon illuminating our path.

I. Introduction

 The Annual Report of the Non-Aligned Movement Parliamentary Network covers the period 10 July 2022 – 1 March 2023.

2. The Non-Aligned Movement Parliamentary Network Inaugural Meeting

Parliaments of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Member States, having met at the Inaugural Meeting of the NAM Parliamentary Network on 28 November 2021 in Madrid, Kingdom of Spain, undertook a review of global situation and the NAM's standing in responding to the existing and emerging challenges to peace, security and sustainable development, and with a view to ensure parliamentary contribution to the solution of major problems of concern to all NAM Member States and entire mankind decided to establish the Network.

- 3. The Inaugural Meeting was held upon the initiative of H.E. Mr. Ilham Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan and Chair of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) and was chaired by Ms. Sahiba Gafarova, Speaker of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan.
- 4. The Inaugural Meeting was attended by 42 delegations (total number of participants 179) representing the parliamentary bodies of the NAM Member States and Observer States, as well as international parliamentary institutions. 16 delegations were represented at the level of Speakers or Deputy Speakers of parliaments.
- 5. The Inaugural Meeting adopted, as its outcome document, the Madrid Declaration which, inter alia, expressed the unwavering commitment and strict adherence of the NAM parliamentarians to the values and founding principles of the NAM, highlighted the central role that the Movement has played in mobilizing global efforts in response to COVID-19 since the outbreak of the pandemic, stated the decision of the Inaugural Meeting to establish the NAM Parliamentary Network and outlined the major functions that the Network is expected to carry out. The Inaugural Meeting also decided, through the Madrid Declaration, to hold the next meeting of the NAM Parliamentary Network next year in Baku, Azerbaijan.

6. The Baku Conference of the Non-Aligned Movement Parliamentary Network

On June 30 – July 1, 2022 the Republic of Azerbaijan hosted the Baku Conference of the Non-Aligned Movement Parliamentary Network on the topic of "Boosting the Role of National Parliaments in Promoting Peace and Sustainable Development". The First NAM PN Conference was attended by parliamentarians (total number of participants - 376) from more than 40 NAM Member States, including Speakers and Deputy Speakers of parliaments, as well as representatives of 8 international organizations.

7. Opening the Conference with keynote statement, H.E Mr. Ilham Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan and Chair of the NAM, highlighted the significance and continued relevance of the NAM and its values enshrined in Bandung principles. Stressing the importance

- of parliamentary diplomacy and the role of inter-parliamentary relations, President Ilham Aliyev expressed his confidence that the NAM PN, established at the initiative of Azerbaijani Chairmanship, will contribute to solidarity among member states and facilitate close working relations with different parliamentary institutions of the world.
- 8. Addressing the event, Ms. Sahiba Gafarova, Speaker of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan stated that the NAM PN would constitute yet another asset to promote multilateralism worldwide. Having thanked the participants of the event, she called on the parliamentarians of the NAM Member States to participate actively in the future evolution and development of the Network. The heads of delegations of the NAM member states participating at the Conference having noted their high appreciation over the important initiative by the Republic of Azerbaijan as the Chair of the NAM, expressed their strong support for the further development and strengthening of the Network.
- 9. The Baku Conference continued with the adoption of the Baku Declaration and the Statute on Working Modalities of the NAM PN, as well as the official logo and flag of the Network. The adoption of those documents can be considered as a very important first step towards the institutionalization of the NAM Parliamentary Network. The Baku Conference also decided, through the Baku Declaration, to hold the next meeting of the NAM Parliamentary Network in March 2023 on the sidelines of 146th Assembly of IPU in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain.
- 10.On the same day, the Baku Conference elected Ms. Sahiba Gafarova, Speaker of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan as the Chairperson; Mr. Ali Faysal, Deputy Speaker of the National Council of Palestine (from Asian group), Mr. Jorge Jesus Rodriguez Gomez, President of the Venezuelan Parliament (from Latin American group) and Mr. Fouzi Salim, First Deputy President of Libyan Parliament (from African group) as the Vice-Chairpersons of the NAM Parliamentary Network.
- 11. On July 2, 2022, the participants of the Baku Conference had a unique chance to visit the "pearl of the Caucasus," the cradle of the culture of Azerbaijan Shusha city. In Shusha, the guests had the opportunity to see the ongoing reconstruction and renovation works being undertaken by the government of Azerbaijan after the city was liberated from the 30-year-long Armenian occupation in November 8, 2020.

II. Secretariat of the NAM Parliamentary Network

12. Secretariat, the organ that administers and coordinates the activity of the NAM Parliamentary Network was established in July 2022.

III. Visits, speeches, meetings of the Chairperson of the NAM Parliamentary Network

September 2022

Date/Place	Title of the event /	Met with	Speech	
	Purpose of the visit			
September 8, 2022 Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan	14th Summit of Women Speakers of Parliament - Parliamentary leadership: Anticipating risks to better deliver sustainability and prosperity		Eliminating risks to global recovery after the pandemic	
September 8, 2022 Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan	On the sidelines of the 14th Summit of Women Speakers of Parliament	Mr. Duarte Pacheco, President of the Inter- Parliamentary Union		
September 9, 2022 Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan	On the sidelines of the 14th Summit of Women Speakers of Parliament	Ms. Fawzia Bint Abdullah Zainal, Speaker of the Council of Representatives, Kingdom of Bahrain		
September 9, 2022 Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan	On the sidelines of the 14th Summit of Women Speakers of Parliament	Ms. Mabel Chinomona, President of the Senate, Republic of Zimbabwe		
September 9, 2022 Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan	On the sidelines of the 14th Summit of Women Speakers of Parliament	Ms. Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury, Speaker of the Parliament of the People's Republic of Bangladesh		

October 2022

Date/Place	Title of the event / Purpose of the visit	Met with	Speech
October 5, 2022 Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia	8th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit		Stronger parliaments for sustainable recovery
October 5, 2022 Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia	Parliamentary Forum in the context of the G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit		The role of the P20 in the context of interparliamentary cooperation to strengthen multilateralism in the 21st century
October 5, 2022 Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia	On the sidelines of the 8th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit	Mr. Lukas Sinimbo Muha, Chairperson of the National Council, Republic of Namibia	
October 5, 2022 Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia	On the sidelines of the 8th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit	Ms. Puan Maharani, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Republic of Indonesia	
October 6, 2022 Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia	On the sidelines of the 8th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit	Mr. Saghr Gobash, Speaker of the Federal National Council, United Arab Emirates	
October 7, 2022 Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia	On the sidelines of the 8th G20 Parliamentary Speakers' Summit	Ms. Nosiwive Mapisa- Nqakula, Speaker of the National Assembly, Republic of South Africa	

Date/Place	Title of the event / Purpose of the visit	Met with	Speech
November 21, 2022, Kingdom of Cambodia	Meeting of the Women Parliamentarians in the framework of the 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter- Parliamentary Assembly		Gender Equality and Women Empowerment for a Sustainable, Inclusive and Resilient COVID-19 Recovery, Promoting the Role of Women Parliamentarians in Advancing the Women, Peace and Security Agenda
November 21, 2022, Kingdom of Cambodia	On the sidelines of the 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter- Parliamentary Assembly	Vuong Dinh Hue, President of the National Assembly, Socialist Republic of Vietnam	
November 22, 2022, Kingdom of Cambodia	First Plenary Session of the 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly		Advancing Together for Sustainable, Inclusive and Resilient ASEAN
November 22, 2022, Kingdom of Cambodia	On the sidelines of the 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter- Parliamentary Assembly	Mr. Chuan Leekpai, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the National Assembly, Kingdom of Thailand	
November 22, 2022, Kingdom of Cambodia	On the sidelines of the 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter- Parliamentary Assembly	Mr. Chuan-Jin Tan, Speaker of the Parliament of the Republic of Singapore	
November 22, 2022, Kingdom of Cambodia	On the sidelines of the 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter- Parliamentary Assembly	Mr. Ganesh Prasad Timilsina, Chairperson of the National Assembly, Federal Parliament of the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal	
November 22, 2022, Kingdom of Cambodia	On the sidelines of the 43rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter- Parliamentary Assembly	Ms. Nguyen Tuong Van, AIPA Secretary General	

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January 9, 2023 Antalya, Republic of Türkiye	13th Plenary Session of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly		Promoting Multilateralism in the changing global dynamics
January 9, 2023 Antalya, Republic of Türkiye	On the sidelines of the 13th Plenary Session of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly	Mr. Mustafa Şentop, Speaker of the Grand National Assembly of Turkey	
January 29, 2023 Algiers, People's Democratic Republic of Algeria	17th Session of the Parliamentary Union of the OIC Member States		The Islamic World and challenges of modernity and development
January 29, 2023 Algiers, People's Democratic Republic of Algeria	On the sidelines of the 17th Session of the Parliamentary Union of the OIC Member States	Mr. Brahim Boughali, President of the National People's Assembly, People's Democratic Republic of Algeria	
January 30, 2023 Algiers, People's Democratic Republic of Algeria	On the sidelines of the 17th Session of the Parliamentary Union of the OIC Member States	Mr. Johari Abdul, Speaker of the House of Representatives of Malaysian Parliament	
January 30, 2023 Algiers, People's Democratic Republic of Algeria	On the sidelines of the 17th Session of the Parliamentary Union of the OIC Member States	Mr. Sheikh Khalid bin Hilal Al Maawali, Speaker of the Shura Council, Oman Sultanate	

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Date/Place	Title of the event / Purpose of the visit	Met with
February 6, 2023 Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt	Official visit	Mr. Abdel Wahab Abdel Razeq, President of Senate of the Parliament, Arab Republic of Egypt
February 7, 2023 Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt	Within the scope of the official visit	Mr. Adel bin Abdul Rahman Al-Asumi, President of Arab Parliament
February 8, 2023 Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt	Within the scope of the official visit	Mr. Hanafy Gibaly, President of the House of Representatives of the Parliament, Arab Republic of Egypt
February 11, 2023 Cape Town, Republic of South Africa	Official visit	Ms. Nosiviwe Noluthando Mapisa-Nqakula, Chairperson of the National Assembly, Parliament of the Republic of South Africa

March 2023

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Date/Place	Title of the event	Speech
March 2, Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan	Summit of the Non- Aligned Movement Contact Group in response to COVID-19 on global post- pandemic recovery	General debate
March 12, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain	146th IPU Assembly	General debate: Promoting peaceful coexistence and inclusive societies: Fighting intolerance

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The promotion of the role and activity of the NAM Parliamentary Network was always the focus of the Chairperson of the NAM Parliamentary Network during her visits and meetings as well as in her speeches made at International Conferences.

IV. Newly established Parliamentary Working Groups

19. Last year the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan currently chairing the NAM PN set up new Working Groups with parliaments of the following 16 NAM Member States:

Asia

- People's Republic of Bangladesh
- Kingdom of Cambodia
- Mongolia
- Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal
- Republic of Singapore

Africa

- Republic of Burundi
- Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
- Republic of Cameroon
- Lebanese Republic
- Republic of Tunisia
- Federal Republic of Nigeria

- Republic of the Sudan
- Republic of Zimbabwe

Latin America

- Republic of Honduras
- Republic of Guatemala
- Republic of Panama

V. Observer status

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	Granting Organization	Title of the	Place/Date
		event	
1.	Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA)	XIII Plenary	Antalya, Türkiye
		Session	10.01.2023
2.	Arab Parliament (AP)	Plenary	Cairo, Egypt
		Session	22.01.2023
3.	NAM PN -	XVII Plenary	Algiers, Algeria
	Parliamentary Union of the OIC Member States (PUIC) (on reciprocal basis)	Session	30.01.2023

VI. Memorandum of Understanding

	Parties	Place/Date	Signed by
1.	NAM PN -	Cairo,	Ms. Sahiba Gafarova, NAM PN Chairperson and
	Arab Parliament	Egypt	Mr. Adel bin Abdul Rahman Al-Asumi, President of Arab
	(AP)	07.02.2023	Parliament
2.	NAM PN -	Algiers,	Ms. Sahiba Gafarova, NAM PN Chairperson and
	Parliamentary Union	Algeria	Mr. Mouhamed Khouraichi Niass, Secretary General of
	of the OIC Member	30.01.2023	the Parliamentary Union of the OIC Member States
	States (PUIC)		(PUIC)
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3.	NAM PN -	Baku,	Ms. Sahiba Gafarova, NAM PN Chairperson and
	Parliamentary	Azerbaijan	Mr. Mehmet Süreyya Er, Secretary General of the
	Assembly of Turkic	23.02.2023	Parliamentary Assembly of Turkic States (TURKPA)
	States (TURKPA)		, ,

VII. Web page of the NAM PN

22. The official web page of the NAM PN www.nam-pn.org was launched in January 2023.

VIII. Meeting with representatives of the Republic of Uganda

23. On December 8, 2022, the delegation of the Republic of Uganda paid a visit to the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan. The delegation (led by Ambassador Adonia Ayebare, Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations) was met by the Deputy Chief of Staff (Mr Rustam Mahmudov) of the Milli Majlis. The visit aimed at receiving information before Uganda's taking over the Chairmanship of the NAM in December 2023. The guests received detailed information about the establishment and functioning of the NAM PN.

IX. Geneva - New York visits carried out by the NAM PN Secretariat

24. As a part of the awareness-raising tour launched by the NAM PN Secretariat, a group of staff members of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan (Mr.Rustam Mahmudov, Deputy Chief of Staff, Mr. Ilkin Mammadov, Head of the International Relations Department and Mr. Ruslan Ismayilov, Chief Advisor of the Department and Secretary of the parliamentary delegation of Azerbaijan to the NAM PN) visited Geneva and New-York cities from January 24 to February 2, 2023. The delegation attended both monthly Ambassadorial meetings of the NAM organized at the UN Office in Geneva, Switzerland and at the UN Headquarters in New York, USA. The members of delegation had a chance to deliver speeches and demonstrate video presentations on the history of the NAM PN and the work done by the Network since its establishment. The participants of both meetings were widely informed about the preparation works for the Second Conference of the NAM PN to be held on March 13 on the sidelines of the 146th IPU Assembly in Manama, Bahrain.

In the framework of the visit to Switzerland, the representatives of the NAM PN Secretariat also visited the Inter-Parliamentary Union Secretariat (IPU) in Geneva. At the meeting, the future prospects of a mutually beneficial cooperation between the NAM PN and IPU were broadly discussed.

Title	From	То	Date	Total
On forming parliamentary delegations to the NAM PN	Chairperson of NAM PN	Speakers of parliaments of NAM Member States	07.09.2022	165 letters with 2 attachments
Invitation letter to the Second Conference of the NAM PN	Chairperson of NAM PN	Speakers of parliaments of NAM Member States and representatives of the International Organizations	22.12.2022	177 letters
General Information and Draft Programme of the Second Conference of the NAM PN to be held on March 13, 2023 in Manama, Bahrain	Secretariat of NAM PN	Parliaments of NAM Member States	06.02.2023	168 letters with 2 attachments – General Information and Draft Programme
Provisional Agenda, Draft Manama Declaration, Draft Decision on Amendments,	Secretariat of NAM PN	Parliaments of NAM Member States	16.02.2023	E-mail
Annual Report of the Chairperson of NAM PN	Secretariat of NAM PN	Parliaments of NAM Member States	27.02.2023	E-mail

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XI. Future actions

26. The plan of future actions will be elaborated as a result of joint deliberations at the Second Conference of the NAM Parliamentary Network to be held on March 13, 2023 in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain.