

Resolution on the support to the Campaign for the Establishment of a United Nations Parliamentary Assembly

WFM Council Meeting in New York, on 24-26 July 2013,

Whereas the Campaign for the Establishment of a United Nations Parliamentary Assembly (CEUNPA) is a global network of parliamentarians and non-governmental organizations advocating citizen's representation at the United Nations;

Whereas the list of campaign supporters include individual supporters (more than 5000 from 152 countries), Members of Parliament (840 from 105 countries), former parliamentarians (330 from 46 countries), Professors (379), Heads of state or government and foreign ministers (16), Nobel and Right Livelihood laureates (21) and Non-governmental organizations (356 from 70 countries, among them 22 international networks); among which there are hundreds of distinguished personalities from politics, science, civil society and cultural life.

Whereas the sitting MPs represent estimated 134 million people;

Whereas since the Campaign's launch, the creation of a UN Parliamentary Assembly was supported by the Canadian House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee (2007), the Pan-African Parliament (2007), the Latin-American Parliament (2008), the Senate of Argentina (2008), the Chamber of Deputies of Argentina (2009), the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (2009), the National Assembly of the Seychelles (2009), the European Parliament (2011), the Parliament of MERCOSUR (2011), and the East African Legislative Assembly (2013);

Whereas the World Federalist Movement has proved its willingness and compromise with the democratization of the UN institutions by launching the advocacy platform ReformtheUN.org,

Whereas the work of the Committee for a Democratic United Nations (KDUN) since its foundation in 2003, and primarily the incessant and continuous effort and dedication of Andreas Bummel as the KDUN Chair and Director of the Secretariat of the International Campaign for a UN Parliamentary Assembly;

Whereas European organizations and the European Parliament have given important support to the CEUNPA, but there is a lack of coordination between these organizations and the Movement; and

Considering the joint appeal made by the participants of the Campaign in the Declaration of Buenos Aires in October 2010;

Be it resolved that the World Federalist Movement:

1. Designates a Global Coordinator of the UNPA Campaign and establishes a monthly funding in the International Democratic Governance Program budget as a stipend for the Coordinator;
2. Help in the installation of an office, which might be established in Brussels, within the structure of the UEF building, where the designed Coordinator can articulate the UNPA network working together and strengthening the renewed link with the European federalist organizations aligned with the WFM mission; and

3. Affirms its compromise with the European organizations establishing a permanent link officer in Europe to work besides The Hague IS and the UEF, EM, EFM and JEF institutions.