



## **ASEAN LEADERS' JOINT STATEMENT ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ASEAN INSTITUTE FOR PEACE AND RECONCILIATION**

**WE**, the Heads of State/Government of Brunei Darussalam, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of Indonesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore, the Kingdom of Thailand, the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, Member States of ASEAN, at the 18<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Summit;

**INSPIRED BY** the purposes and principles of the ASEAN Charter as a legal basis and framework for an ASEAN Community 2015 and beyond as well as the principles of the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia which provides a framework for governing inter-state relations in the region and a foundation for the maintenance of regional peace and stability;

**RECALLING** the Bali Declaration of ASEAN Concord II and the Cha-am Hua Hin Declaration on the Roadmap for an ASEAN Community 2009-2015, in particular the relevant provisions in the ASEAN Political-Security Community Blueprint on conflict resolution and pacific settlement of disputes as well as post-conflict peace-building which are aimed at the creation of a cohesive, peaceful and resilient region with shared responsibility for a comprehensive security;

**ACKNOWLEDGING** the need to promote a culture of peace as well as respect for diversity and tolerance in order to create the conditions necessary for sustainable regional peace and reconciliation;

Do hereby:

**Task** our Foreign Ministers to submit their recommendations to the 19<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Summit for consideration.

Adopted in Jakarta, Indonesia, this Eighth of May in the Year Two Thousand and Eleven, in a single original copy, in the English language.