PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF TURKIC STATES

YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS GROUP

FIFTH MEETING

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RECCOMMENDATIONS

ENGAGEMENT OF THE YOUTH IN POLITICAL DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES AND REPRESENTATION RATE OF YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS IN TURKPA MEMBER STATES

Young Parliamentarians Group of the TURKPA,

Recognizing the importance of the active participation of young people in political and public life and their involvement in decision-making processes;

Emphasizing the need to create favorable conditions and effective mechanisms for greater participation of young people in political decision-making processes;

Noting the differences in national approaches to defining youth and collecting age-disaggregated data on parliamentary representation;

Highlighting the importance of strengthening cooperation and exchanging experience and good practices among the TURKPA Member States in the field of youth participation;

Recommends the following to the TURKPA member parliaments;

a) to promote the active and meaningful participation of young people in political and public decision-making processes, including through parliamentary, consultative and advisory mechanisms;

b) to support the establishment and further development of youth councils, mentoring programmes, youth forums and other institutional platforms that provide young people with practical opportunities to interact with parliaments and decision-makers;

c) to encourage initiatives aimed at strengthening political and electoral literacy among young people, including the exchange of educational materials, institutional experience and relevant expertise among the TURKPA Member States;

d) to facilitate the regular collection and exchange of age-disaggregated data on the composition of national parliaments, taking into account differences in national definitions and age categories, with a view to improving the comparability of information on youth representation;

e) to promote the exchange of good practices among the TURKPA Member States in the field of youth participation, including electoral awareness programmes, parliamentary mentoring schemes, youth dialogue platforms and evidence-based approaches to youth policy;

f) to strengthen cooperation among young parliamentarians of the TURKPA Member States through regular meetings, joint initiatives and exchange programmes aimed at sharing experience and enhancing the role of young people in political decision-making processes.