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TIBETAN PARLIAMENT-IN-EXILE

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This short report on proceedings of the parliament is sent to the leaders of Tibetan Communities in Europe for the kind information of all Tibetans living in their respective countries.

The second session of the 14th Tibetan Parliament-in-exile was held from 30th September to 7th October 2006. All 43 deputies assembled for the second session and elected kalons (ministers) of 13th Kashag from the candidates proposed by Kalon Tripa (prime minister).

The Parliamentary Secretariat distributed 29 documents concerning speech of His Holiness the Dalai Lama in the house, statement of Kashag, legal affairs and motions. The parliament debated on these documents and passed resolutions.

1. His Holiness the Dalai Lama came to the parliament to address the deputies, kalons and secretaries. He said that Tibetans in Tibet have a very strong feeling of Tibetaness and determination. We in exile should preserve our cultural identity, good behaviour and must do doctoral studies, study Buddhism and science to facilitate dialogue between them. Knowing rights and duties in a democracy everyone should work to enhance democratic system within Tibetan communities. As our struggle is based on truth, love and non-violence we should try to resolve Tibet Problem through "Middle Way Approach" policy for the mutual benefit of Tibetan and Chinese peoples.
2. Kashag stated to continue to pursue the policies and programmes of 12th Kashag to resolve Tibet Question and serve the Tibetans. If needed, the Kashag will embark on new policy and programme in accordance with the guidance of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and resolutions of the parliament.
3. Charter and Rules & Regulations amended:-
 - a) Supreme Justice Commissioner mandate in Charter from 15 to 20 years.
 - b) Public Service Commission rules in recruiting Security Department staff.
4. Resolutions passed:
 - a) Thanked His Holiness the Dalai Lama for His loving advice to the parliamentarians.
 - b) Thanked Canadian Parliament and Government for awarding "Honorary Canadian Citizenship" to His Holiness the Dalai Lama in recognition of His tireless actions for world peace by teaching love, compassion and non-violence.
 - c) Thanked US Congress and President for awarding "Congressional Gold Medal" to His Holiness the Dalai Lama in recognition of His tireless endeavours for harmony among world religions with love and compassion, human rights and resolution of Tibet Question through Middle Way Approach policy for benefit of both peoples.
 - d) Thanked Himachal State Assembly for forming a Tibet Forum within the Assembly where all 68 members of legislative assembly have joined the Forum.
 - e) Chairperson and Vice Chairperson were renamed as Speaker and Deputy Speaker of Tibetan Parliament-in-exile.
 - f) Speaker and Deputy Speaker were asked to reactivate parliamentary committees.
 - g) All private or international organisations working in Tibet should be thoroughly briefed/explained about "Guidelines for International Development Projects and Sustainable Development in Tibet" issued by Tibetan Government in exile.
5. Questions about flood in Sonamling Settlement, Ladakh; Residential Certificate (RC) problems of Tibetans in India and possibility of changing land buyers' names under Himachal Pradesh Tenancy and Land Reforms Act 1972 were discussed.