Hon. Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, President of Mexico.

Hon. Sergio Gutierrez Luna, Speaker of the Mexican Congress

Hon. Arturo Zaldivar, President of the Supreme Court of Justice.

From our organization of political parties of Asia, we are fully committed to the freedom of speech as a universal right, especially for everyone who participates in public sectors of our nations, and even more so, when we are referring to democratically elected representatives, regardless the political situation of their respective political parties in government or in opposition.

Democracies and their institutions are built day by day, they take all voices into account, build consensus, and achieve plural agreements that benefit their countries.

In this context, Mexico, in the last decades has been characterized by the constant construction of institutions to strengthen democracy; an example of this, the consistent alternation of power since the last decade of the 20th century.

That is why it has come to our attention, the latest political attacks against Alejandro Moreno Cárdenas, congressman and current President of, both, the Permanent Conference of Political Parties of Latin America and the Caribbean (COPPPAL) and the Central Committee of the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), orchestrated by the Government of Mexico directly or using the local administration of the State of Campeche, with grave repressive overtones, coercion of his human rights, and coercion against freedom of expression.

The alternation of power is based on the presumption of balance and negotiation between opposing political parties, using freedom of expression, free and direct voting, autonomous and solid institutions, the opening of spaces for everyone to be heard as instruments of democracies.

As multilateral organizations of political parties, we must defend and promote the strengthening of democracies in every region, and we must continue to strive towards more plural and respectful political reconciliation, in accordance with the laws of our nations.

In this sense, we respectfully call on the Government of Mexico and its authorities to stop the political persecution they have orchestrated against the leader of the opposition, Alejandro Moreno Cardenas, and condemn the use of institutions and the State to coerce his legislative duties and violation of his rights, as well as the harassment and intimidation his family is currently facing.