Resolution GA14-6b

Proposed Resolution to be adopted at the 14th General Assembly of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO)

30th November 2017

TITLE: RELOCATION OF THE DE FACTO RSPO EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO JAKARTA, INDONESIA

Submitted by: Lingkar Komunitas Sawit (LINKS)
Co-signed: Yayasan Setara Jambi, Sawit Watch

Background:

- Most issues related to Growers, whether companies of smallholders, are located in Indonesia: New Planting Procedures, biodiversity, compensation, etc. (Attachment 1).
- Indonesia is the biggest producers of palm oil, producing 53% of world’s palm oil production (Attachment 2). Indonesia is also the biggest producer of CSPO, producing 57% of FFBs certified by RSPO (Attachment 3).
- Palm oil smallholders in Indonesia are the biggest in the world, with growing landholding. Now accounted for 42% of total palm oil plantation or 4.6 million ha (Attachment 4).
- Only Indonesia has the new significant areas for new development. Currently as of August 2017, 45% of new HCV assessments in HCV RN website are from Indonesia (attachment 5).
- It is an international convention that the headquarter of an international organization is located in the country that has biggest interest /stake.
- Indonesia is a democratic country and civil society is flourishing. The country is very transparent and upholds freedom of speech, incl. media and NGOs. The Economist Intelligence Unit’s Democracy Index 2016 ranks Indonesia in 48th, while Malaysia 65th. Reporters Without Borders for Press Freedom 2017 ranks Indonesia in 124th, while Malaysia 144th (attachment 6).

THIS RESOLUTION PROPOSES:

That to address the issues related to palm oil effectively and efficiently, it is an imperative and logical to relocate the de facto RSPO Executive Office from Kuala Lumpur to Jakarta.

The relocation shall be completed within 2 years since adoption date.

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**Attachment 1**
COMPLAINTS BY COUNTRY
(As at 30 June 2016)

Source: RSPO, 2016

**Attachment 2** Increasing Number of Indonesian Production

Source: Oil World, 2015

**Attachment 3** Certified FFBs based on Countries
CERTIFIED SUSTAINABLE PALM OIL

Source: RSPO, 2016
Attachment 4 Landholdings in Indonesia. Smallholder 4.2% or 4.6 million ha

Attachment 5
https://www.hcvnetwork.org/als/public-summaries

Attachment 6
https://rsf.org/en/ranking_table