

# Recent Campaign Highlights

The Campaign for the Establishment of a United Nations Parliamentary Assembly (UNPA) is a growing global network of parliamentarians, non-governmental organizations and individuals advocating citizen representation at the United Nations. Participants are united in their support of the international <u>Appeal for the Establishment of a Parliamentary Assembly at the United Nations</u>. As of 5 February, 2008 the Appeal has been signed by 1634 individuals from 113 countries, including 456 parliamentarians. 108 civil society organizations have endorsed the campaign. (See <a href="https://www.unpacampaign.org">www.unpacampaign.org</a>).

Recent UNPA Campaign highlights include:

#### November 2007

International Conference: "Advancing Good Governance and Democracy through a UNPA." On the invitation of the Society for Threatened Peoples-International, a member of the UNPA campaign's International Steering Committee, 28 campaign participants from 17 countries, among them 6 members of parliament, met in Geneva on 19-20 November, 2007. The meeting's purpose was to exchange views and consider a plan of action regarding next steps in the campaign.

#### October 2007

A strong resolution in support of a UNPA was passed by the Pan-African Parliament.

# September 2007

An NGO statement coinciding with the opening of the 62<sup>nd</sup> UN General Assembly was published by the "World Forum of Civil Society Networks – UBUNTU" (see <a href="http://www.ubuntu.upc.edu/">http://www.ubuntu.upc.edu/</a>). Among the 38 signatories are FEMNET Africa, Forum Asia and LATINDAD-Red Latinoamericana sobre Deuda, Desarrollo y Derechos.

### **August 2007**

Four Members of the European Parliament published a substantial 37-page monograph "The Case for Global Democracy: Advocating a United Nations Parliamentary Assembly."

### **July 2007**

A Report of Canadian House of Commons Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development (SCFAID) recommends:

"As part of the essential role of a reformed and strengthened United Nations in global democratic development, the Parliament of Canada should give favourable consideration to the establishment of a United Nations Parliamentary Assembly."

#### May 2007

Former UN Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali releases a strong public statement endorsing a UNPA.

## **April and May 2007**

UNPA Campaign launch events are organized in 12 capitals around the world. Highlights, pictures and media coverage are reported at <a href="https://www.unpacampaign.org">www.unpacampaign.org</a>.