MOTION:

On behalf of Hongkong, Malaysia & Singapore Chapter, I recommend to the Regions Council that, effective Society Year 1998-99, a new Region be established to cover the chapters in the Far East.

BACKGROUND:

1. The existing Chapters in the Far East namely, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore and Taiwan, have a total Society assigned membership of about 2000.
2. In 1991, at the ASHRAE Far East Conference, the idea of establishing a Far East Region was conceived. Since then, chapters outside of North America has grown from 4 to 10 chapters.
3. Areas covered by these four Chapters have similar culture, language, etc. Moreover, countries where these Chapters are located have strong economic ties.
4. The formation of a Far East Region will stimulate growth and serve the potential chapters.
5. The other six chapters may want to consider forming their own region.