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**RESOLUTION**

**ON**

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OIC INDEPENDENT PERMANENT HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

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*The Forty Fifth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, (Session of Islamic Values for Sustainable Peace, Solidarity and Development), held in Dhaka, Peoples' Republic of Bangladesh, on 20-21 Shabaan 1439. (corresponding to 5-6 May 2018);*

**Recalling** articles 5 and 15 of the Charter of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation unanimously adopted by the 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Summit Conference held at Dakar, Republic of Senegal on 13-14 March 2008;

**Recalling** resolution 2/38-LEG, which adopted the statute of the Independent Permanent Human Rights Commission (IPHRC);

**Recalling** resolution 2/39-LEG, which endorsed the Rules of Procedure of the IPHRC;

**Recalling** resolution 1/41-IPHRC, which decided to establish the IPHRC Headquarters in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA);

**Recalling** final communiqué of the 13<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Summit Conference, held in Istanbul, Republic of Turkey on 14-15 April 2016, which reaffirmed the Member States' full support to the Commission to enable it to function in accordance with the mandate as provided in its Statute.

**Cognizant** of the importance of promoting human rights and fundamental freedoms, good governance, rule of law, democracy and accountability in Member States, in accordance with the OIC Charter and the Ten-Year Program of Action 2015-2025;

**Taking note** of the report of the Secretary General included in Document No. OIC/CFM-45/2018/IPHRC/SG-Rep;

1. **Requests** the IPHRC to continue its work towards fulfilling its objectives as stipulated in its Statute and to continue providing the CFM with its expert advisory opinion on all human rights issues of concern / interest to the OIC;

2. **Takes note** of the report of the 12<sup>th</sup> IPHRC Regular Session, which includes an Outcome Document on the topic of the *Importance of Cultural Diversity in the promotion and protection of human rights*, held in Jeddah, at the IPHRC Headquarters, on 19-23 November 2017 as contained in documents no. OIC/ IPHRC-12/2017 Rep. Final.

3. **Also takes note** of the detailed deliberations that took place within IPHRC's four Working Groups on Palestine, the Rights of Women and of the Child, Islamophobia

and Muslim minorities and the Right to Development as well as relevant outcomes of these deliberations;

4. **Recalls** the comprehensive report of the OIC IPHRC fact finding visit to Azad Jammu & Kashmir and Islamabad presented to the 44<sup>th</sup> CFM in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, and **requests** the OIC IPHRC to continue to approach the Indian Government to provide access to the IPHRC fact finding mission to Indian occupied Kashmir and to report on the Human Rights situation in IoK.

5. **Appreciates** Commission's activities since last CFM, which included a timely fact finding visit to Rohingya refugee camps in Peoples' Republic of Bangladesh to ascertain first-hand information and report on the human rights violations faced by them in Myanmar; holding of its annual international Seminar on '*The Role of Media in Combatting Hate Speech*' and its comprehensive outcome report; as well as joint activities with and participation in the meetings of relevant UN and regional human rights mechanisms to discuss and promote views on issues of concern to the OIC;

6. **Takes note** of the planned activities of IPHRC in 2018 including its second visit to Palestine; annual international seminar in Turkey and holding of joint workshops with the UN during its regular sessions;

7. **Welcomes** the comprehensive report of IPHRC field visit to Rohingya Refugee Camps in Bangladesh, which provides first-hand detailed information on the human rights violations committed by the Myanmar authorities and makes comprehensive recommendations to different stakeholders to alleviate the sufferings and ensure the rights of Rohingya Muslims at all levels. Also, **requests** the Member States and the General Secretariat to incorporate relevant recommendations of this report in their efforts to protect and promote the human rights of the Rohingya Muslims as well as to raise the issue at all relevant forums including the UN Human Rights Council to expose the injustices of the Myanmar authorities against its Rohingya minority;

8. **Also welcomes** the comprehensive study prepared by IPHRC on '*Islamophobia and Counter terrorism*' as contained in document no. "OIC/IPHRC/ISLAMOPHOBIA/CFM-45/2018"; and urges the General Secretariat to coordinate with the OIC Groups in New York and Geneva to incorporate recommendations provided in this study along with those provided in the earlier IPHRC study titled "*Countering Islamophobia: An Unfinished Business*' for devising a comprehensive strategy on Islamophobia;

9. **Takes note** of the adoption of the first part of a study that defines the concept/parameters of Right to Development (RtD) from IPHRC perspective, identifies challenges and proposes the way forward. Also **requests** the IPHRC to further enhance and elaborate the scope of the study to identify the linkages with the UN Sustainable Development Goals for realization of the RtD in close cooperation with the relevant international mechanisms including the newly appointed UN Special Rapporteur on the RtD;

10. **Further takes note** of the proceedings of the Inter-Governmental Working Group (IGWG) to discuss the revised draft of the Cairo Declaration of Human Rights in Islam,

titled *'The OIC Declaration of Human Rights (ODHR)'*, prepared by the IPHRC, and urges the Member States to finalize the revised declaration ODHR at the earliest and present its outcome report for adoption to the 46<sup>th</sup> CFM;

11. **Urges** Member States and relevant OIC Organs, including IDB, to take full advantage of the Commission's advisory expertise, including by enhancing interaction and exploring avenues for developing joint projects and cooperation; as well as to support the work and activities of the IPHRC;

12. **Expresses** its appreciation to the Government of KSA for its ongoing support to the IPHRC Secretariat in Jeddah, and for its provision of required logistics and services. Also **requests** all Member States to continue to extend their support to the IPHRC enabling it to conduct its mandated tasks and activities with optimum facilitation.

13. **Expresses** its thanks to the Secretary General for his valuable efforts to facilitate the work of the IPHRC and requests him to continue extending the secretarial support to the Commission from within the OIC General Secretariat to enable IPHRC to carry out its mandate in an organized and efficient manner.

14. **Requests** further the Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this Resolution and to submit a report thereon to the 46<sup>th</sup> Session of the CFM.

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