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REPORT

OF

THE MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE ISLAMIC ORGANISATION FOR FOOD SECURITY (IOFS)

ASTANA, REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN 26-28 APRIL 2016 19-21 JUMADA AL-AKHIR 1437H



<u>Report</u> <u>of</u> <u>The Meeting of Executive Board of IOFS</u>

The inaugural meeting of the Executive Board of Islamic Organization for Food Security was held in Astana, Kazakhstan on 28 April 2016. The meeting was attended by six members of the Executive Board, with the exception of representatives of Burkina Faso and Niger. The meeting was witnessed by representatives of the OIC Secretary General.

Election of the Chairman of the Executive Board

2. The meeting unanimously elected Dr. Saad A.Khalil Esa, Director General of International Cooperation Department of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as the Chairman of the Executive Board of IOFS.

3. The chairman welcomed all members to inaugural meeting of the Executive Board and congratulated them on their well deserved election to the Executive Board. He also urged all members of the Executive Board to make all possible efforts towards accomplishing the vision and mission of the IOFS.

4. The meeting considered the issues as per attached Agenda and reached following conclusions:

Examination of the Rules of Procedures, Financial regulations and Personnel <u>regulations</u>

5. The meeting examined the drafts of Rules of Procedures, Financial Regulations and Personnel regulations of IOFS, reflected some amendments and referred them to the General Assembly for adoption.

Consideration of the Plan of Action of the IOFS for 5 years

6. The meeting considered the draft Plan of Action of IOFS for 5 years and agreed to submit the Plan to General Assembly for endorsement. The meeting also requested the Director General of IOFS to work out the cost implications of the Plan of Action.

Consideration of the budget of the IOFS Secretariat for 2016-2018

7. The meeting expressed its appreciation for the generous offer of the Government of Kazakhstan to cover the running cost of the Secretariat of the IOFS for the next three years (2016-2018). In this regard, Kazakhstan has approved an amount of US\$ 749,000.00 as a take-off grant to cover the expenses of the Secretariat for the budget year 2016/2017.

8. The meeting also took note of the IDB approval of US\$ 300,000.00 as Technical Assistance Grant to the Organization.

9. The Executive Board also requested the Director General to consult with the OIC General Secretariat with a view to proposing an appropriate scale of assessed contribution in line with the existing OIC practice in this regard.

10. The Board invited IOFS member States to expedite the necessary ratification of the Statute to enable them make regular contributions to both the administrative and operational budgets of the Organization. It also called on Member States to make voluntary contributions and donations in accordance with Article 18 of the IOFS Statute.

Venue and Date of the Next Session

11. The Meeting took note of the provision of the Statute on the convening of the Board meetings twice a year and requested the Director General to consult with the chairman and members of the Executive Board on the date of this meeting.

Vote of thanks

12. The meeting expressed its appreciation to the Government of Kazakhstan for hosting the inaugural meeting of the Executive Board. The meeting also congratulated the chairman for the excellent steering of the deliberations of the Executive Board.

Adopted in Astana, 28 April 2016