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THE 37TH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS

***(SESSION OF SHARED VISION OF A MORE SECURE AND
PROSPEROUS ISLAMIC WORLD)***

**DUSHANBE, REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN
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The Thirty-seventh Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session of Shared Vision of a More Secure and Prosperous Islamic World) held in Dushanbe, Republic of Tajikistan, from 4 to 6 Jumada Al Thani, 1431H (18-20 May 2010);

Proceeding from the provisions of the OIC Charter;

Referring to the Ten-Year Programme of Action adopted by the 3rd Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference held in Makkah-Al-Mukarramah in December 2005, which calls for the strengthening of the role of the Organisation in confronting disasters;

Reaffirming the provisions of the final communiqué of the 11th session of the Islamic Summit Conference held in Dakar, Republic of Senegal, in March 2008, which calls for sustained efforts to organize humanitarian and charitable action under the umbrella of the OIC and mandates the Secretary General to promote the OIC's humanitarian role and achieve the objectives defined in the Ten-Year Programme of Action;

Recalling resolution No.11/35-C adopted by the 35th session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Kampala, Republic of Uganda, from 14 to 16 Jumada Al Thani 1429H (18-20 June 2008);

Recalling resolution No.1/36-ICHAD adopted by the 36th session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic, from 28 Jumada Al Oula – 1 Jumada Al Thani 1430H (23-25 May 2009):

1. **Commends** the efforts made by the Humanitarian Affairs Department (ICHAD) to alleviate the sufferings of the needy people in different OIC Member States struck by disasters and calamities which effectively demonstrates the spirit of solidarity and Muslim fraternity within the Ummah
2. **Welcomes** the issuance of the first report on disasters in the Muslim World which constitutes an important tool in raising awareness of the issue of disasters and making important reference to the support and donations extended by various OIC Member States; **Calls on** the General Secretariat to coordinate with Member States in order to fine-tune the information in the report.

3. **Takes note** of the convening of the 3rd Conference of Humanitarian Organizations in OIC Member States in Doha on 7-8 March 2010.
4. **Expresses its deep concern** over the food shortages and the precarious humanitarian situation in Niger and invites all Member States to lend their support to the Republic of Niger through all means, including the OIC Office in Niamey, in order to avail the needy population in that brotherly country of the necessary relief.
5. **Appeals** to Member States to provide urgent support to Somalia, Iraq, Yemen, and Guinea Bissau, and **calls on** all Member States and relevant institutions to provide urgent humanitarian assistance to these states, as a boost for the role of the OIC and its partners in this area, and in furtherance of the spirit of Islamic solidarity, as encouraged by the Ten-year Programme of Action.
6. **Calls upon** the Expert Group on Humanitarian Affairs to continue its work and to consider, inter alia, the possibility of developing a mechanism for coordination among relevant departments in the General Secretariat and the specialized and affiliated organs of the OIC.
7. **Requests** the Secretary General to implement this resolution and submit a report to the 38th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.
