RESOLUTIONS
ON INFORMATION AFFAIRS

*ADOPTED BY THE*

THIRTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE
COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS

*(SESSION OF ENHANCING ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY)*

**Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic
28 Jumadal Awwal  – 1 Jumadal Thani 1430H,
(23-25 May, 2009)**

RESOLUTION No. 1/36-INF
ON
**RATIFICATION OF THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE EIGHTH
SESSION OF ISLAMIC CONFERENCE OF INFORMATION
MINISTERS**

*The Thirty-sixth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (For Enhancing Islamic Solidarity), held in Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic from 28 Jamadaul Awwal to 1 Jamadul Thani 1430 A.H (23 -25 May, 2009);*

**Noting** the convening of the 8th Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, held in Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco, from 25 – 28 January 2009;

**Recalling** Resolution No. 13/31-POL on the Review and Rationalization of OIC Agenda Items and Resolutions adopted by the 31st Session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (ICFM) held in Istanbul, Republic of Turkey, in June 2004;

1. **Takes note** of the information issues discussed at, and of the resolutions (OIC/ICIM-8/2009/RES/FINAL) adopted by, the 8th session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers held in Rabat, annexed to the present resolution.

2. **Supports** these resolutions and calls for their implementation in line with the new approach to joint Islamic action.

3. **Requests** the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this resolution and to submit a report thereon to the 37th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

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RESOLUTION No. 2 /36-INF
ON
GRANTING THE COMPUTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM
(CERT) AN AFFILIATED INSTITUTION STATUS

*The Thirty-sixth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (For Enhancing Islamic Solidarity), held in Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic from 28 Jamadaul Awwal to 1 Jamadaul Thani 1430 A.H (23 -25 May, 2009);*

**Recalling** the objectives and principles enshrined in the Charter of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC), particularly those calling for promoting solidarity among the Islamic countries and strengthening capacities to protect their security, sovereignty, independence and national rights;

**Recalling** the recommendations of the meeting of the OIC Member States Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT) held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on 14 and 15 January 2009, with the participation of experts from 14 Member States representing institutions specializing in information and network security in these countries, and the arrangements adopted to establish the team and produce a document on the terms of reference containing the objectives, administrative structure, activities and membership conditions;

**Recalling** Resolution No. 3/35-INF on Collaboration of Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT) among the OIC Member States, adopted by the 35th session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, held in Kampala, Republic of Uganda from 18 – 20 June 2008;

**Recalling** the outcomes of the 3rd International Symposium of the Islamic Centre for Information Technology Emergency Response, hosted by Tunisia on 1 and 2 April 2008;

**Bearing in mind** the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society held in Geneva from 10 to 12 December 2003 (first phase) and in Tunis from 16 to 18 November 2005 (second phase);

**Pursuant** to the decision reached at the Knowledge and Information and Communication Technologies for Development Conference that was held during the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) from 21 to 23 June 2003 in Putrajaya, Malaysia and the first OIC CERT Task Force meeting which was held in Malaysia and attended by Tunisia, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Turkey, Nigeria, Pakistan and Malaysia;

**Expressing** its concern that these technologies and means can potentially be used for purposes that are inconsistent with the objectives of maintaining international stability and security and may adversely affect the integrity of the infrastructure of Member States to the detriment of their security in both civil and military fields, such as cyber attacks, hack threats, intrusion worms, viruses or fraud;

**Realizing** that the nature of the internet and cyberspace are not restricted to the physical boundary of a country, hence the need to establish cross-border collaborations to share information and initiatives to counter cyber threats;

**Reiterating** the importance of establishing and safeguarding peace, security and stability in the Muslim world and of providing an environment filled with mutual confidence, cooperation and solidarity among the Islamic countries;

**Having** considered the report of the OIC Secretary General submitted to the Conference:

1.     **Encourages** all Member States to take the necessary measures, to encourage their national Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT) to collaborate with the OIC-CERT, which will be a grouping dedicated to providing support and responding to computer security incidents.

2.     **Grants the** Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT) the status of an affiliated institution in the OIC to enable it commence its activities aimed at achieving security and cooperation in the area of information technology which has become an important factor in achieving development and stability.

3.     **Requests** the OIC Secretary General to follow-up the implementation of this resolution and submit a report thereon to the 37th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

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