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RESOLUTION NO.1/36-S&T
ON
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MATTERS

The Thirty-Sixth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session for Enhancing Islamic Solidarity), held in Damascus, Arab Syrian Republic from 28 Jumadi Al Awwal- 01 Jumadi Al Thani 1430 H (23-25 May 2009).

REFERING to the strategy for the development of Science and Technology in the Islamic World and its executive mechanism as adopted by 8th Islamic Summit;

RECALLING Resolution No.1/35-S & T on Early Harvest and Mega Projects adopted by the 35th CFM;

RECALLING Resolution No. 3/35-S & T on the Outcome of the Forum of Science, Technology and Innovation in Africa Preparatory to Panel on Knowledge Sharing in the Islamic Ummah adopted by 35th CFM;

RECALLING that the OIC Ten-Year Programme of Action encourages public and private national research institutions to invest in technology capacity building in areas of advanced technologies;

RECALLING the First Exhibition on Science and Technology was held parallel to the 34th ICFM in Islamabad, Pakistan in May, 2007, and the Second Exhibition as well as a simultaneous Conference on Science and Technology were held parallel to the 11th OIC Summit Conference in Dakar, Republic of Senegal in March, 2008;

RECALLING FURTHER Resolution No 3/35 – S&T adopted by the 35th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (CFM) requesting the Syrian Arab Republic to organize and host Science and Technology events during the 36th CFM;

CONSIDERING that the IDB has invited its Member States to apply for no less than 10% of their annual project financing requests to the IDB in the form of Science and Technology – related projects and programs.

CONSIDERING the report of the Secretary General on Higher Education, Science, Technology, Health and Environment OIC/36-CFM/2009/ST/SG-REP on the progress and achievements made to strengthen the science and technology activities of the Muslim World;

Hereby:

- 1. APPRECIATES** the contributions of technical providers from Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Malaysia and Turkey to complete feasibility studies and Business Plan of Mega Project on Cars and Planes and **requests** the OIC General Secretariat in collaboration with the ICCI and IDB to take the necessary follow up actions;

2. **FURTHER APPRECIATES** the setting of Science and Technology Venture Capital Fund by the ICCI to support transfer of technology and **urges** Member States to contribute generously to the Fund;
3. **COMMENDS** SESRIC for assuming the role of the Project Manager, together with the British Royal Society, for the project of “Atlas of Islamic-World Innovation”;
4. **WELCOMES** the initiative taken by technical providers for the Early Harvest Project on Radiopharmaceuticals to harmonize and standardize certifications and export procedures to facilitate exchange of radiopharmaceuticals/radioisotopes for medical imaging and cancer diagnosing and **requests** the OIC member states to facilitate the exchange and marketing of the products of the projects through enacting harmonized legislations, regulations and standards;
5. **WELCOMES** the financial contributions of the IDB to the joint OIC Science and Technology initiatives under the 10-year Programme of Action and OIC Vision 1441 H for Science and Technology;
6. **COMMENDS COMSTECH** and ISESCO for their efforts in the field of the development of science and technology in the Islamic World and calls upon them to keep up and consolidate their cooperation in this area.
7. **FURTHER WELCOMES** the registration of holding companies for Mega Projects on Cars and Planes and the Biopharmaceutical/Vaccines Projects and **invites** Member States to subscribe to these companies;
8. **CALLS UPON the OIC** Member States and all the relevant OIC Institutions to give full support to the implementation of the Mega and the Early Harvest Projects;
9. **CALLS UPON** all the Member States to establish technology parks to strengthen the linkages between Research and Development, Higher Education and Industry and to demonstrate technology innovations to consumers through organizing technology trade fairs;
10. **REQUESTS** the OIC General Secretariat and the related OIC institutions to take steps to establish a Pan-OIC Technomarket, a network of technology parks (technoparks) of the OIC to promote development of their national innovation systems, culture of intellectual property rights and technology incubation and **invites** the Member States to join the Pan-OIC Technomarket;
11. **REQUESTS** the Government of Republic of Tajikistan to organize and host Exhibition and Conference on Science and Technology parallel to 37th CFM in conformity with one of the recommendations of the OIC Vision 1441 H for Science and Technology;
12. **REQUESTS** the Secretary General to take appropriate steps to implement these recommendations and submit a report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers Meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 2/36-S&T
ON
HIGHER EDUCATION MATTERS

The Thirty-Sixth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session for Enhancing Islamic Solidarity), held in Damascus, Arab Syrian Republic from 28 Jumadi Al Awwal- 01 Jumadi Al Thani 1430 H (23-25 May 2009).

REFERING to the strategy for the development of science and technology and its executive mechanisms as adopted by the 8th Islamic Summit in Tehran;

RECALLING Resolution No 6/35 – S&T on the OIC University Ranking adopted by the 35th CFM;

FURTHER RECALLING the adoption of the criteria, procedures and the mechanisms for OIC University Ranking by the 34th CFM;

EXPRESSING GRATITUDE to the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan for hosting the Fourth Islamic Conference of Higher Education and Scientific Research in Baku, the Republic of Azerbaijan on 6 – 8 October 2008 and taking note of the outcome of the Conference;

REALIZING the notion that quality in higher education is monitored via a multilayered process, which should embrace all its functions and activities including teaching and academic programmes (curriculum design, innovations in teaching and learning), student extra-curricular activities (co-curriculum and campus life activities), English language support programmes, finishing school programmes, apprenticeship, programme accreditation by qualification, professional and international bodies, research and scholarship, human resource planning, physical infrastructure and equipment, community services, and the academic milieu; (refer to cycle of quality assurance);

RECOGNIZING that debating is one of the effective ways to enhance critical thinking, reading and other intellectual culture and as an important tool to enhance human capital of a nation particularly among youth;

FURTHER RECOGNIZING the need to effectively improve and reform educational institutions and curricula in all levels and to strive for quality education that promotes creativity, innovation, and research and development in the OIC Member States;

NOTING that the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) has enhanced its programme of scholarships for outstanding students and Hi-Tech specializations aimed at developing the scientific, technical and research capabilities of scientists and researchers in the Member States;

CONSIDERING the report of the Secretary General on Higher Education, Science, Technology, Health and Environment OIC/36-CFM/2009/ST/SG-REP on the progress and achievements made to strengthen the science and technology activities of the Muslim World;

Hereby:

1. **DECIDES**, based on the outcome of the Fourth Conference of Ministers of Higher Education and Scientific Research held in Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan in October 2008, to refer the document on the Ranking of the Universities of the Islamic World to the Member States' Ministers of Higher Education and Scientific Research to examine it and give their opinions thereon;
2. **REQUESTS** the OIC in collaboration with the ISESCO to convene an extra-ordinary meeting of the Ministers of Higher Education and Scientific Research to review the feedbacks on the OIC university ranking documents with the purpose of preparing the final document as basis for future decision concerning implementation;
3. **WELCOMES** the hosting by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia of the Extra-ordinary Meeting of the Ministers of Higher Education and Scientific Research, in coordination between the OIC General Secretariat and the Ministry of Higher Education of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in order to decide on a date for the meeting.
4. **REQUESTS** the International Islamic University in Malaysia (IIUM) in collaboration with the OIC General Secretariat and related OIC institutions to organize and host an Inter OIC- University Debate among the Universities of the OIC Member States;
5. **INVITES** all the OIC Member States to lend their support to the IIUM and seriously consider participating in the OIC Inter-University debate by encouraging greater participation of the Universities to create a bond among the Muslim students through debating as a sport;
6. **WELCOMES** the proposal of the Government of Malaysia to network the OIC Member States on quality assurance system and accreditation of Higher Education;
7. **CALLS UPON** the General Secretariat in collaboration with other related OIC institutions to look into possible administrative arrangements needed for realizing the above proposal;
8. **REQUESTS** the OIC General Secretariat in collaboration with the related OIC institutions to review the performance of the OIC-affiliated universities so as to improve their effectiveness and efficiency;
9. **REQUESTS** the OIC General Secretariat and other related OIC institutions such as IDB, ISESCO to coordinate their efforts in the provision of scholarships;
10. **APPRECIATES** all Member States who have already generously offered scholarships and **urges** all other Member States to do likewise;
11. **WELCOMES** the establishment of an Endowment Fund for the IIUM;

- 12. CALLS UPON** all the Member States to participate in the three Waqfs (Endowments) dedicated to the three universities in Niger, Uganda and Malaysia and calls upon the Member States to help to establish of an Endowment Fund for IUT and to pay their annual financial contribution including payment of arrears to the IUT;
- 13. CALLS ON** all OIC Member States to support the Islamic University in Niger both financially and morally;
- 14. PAYS TRIBUTE** to ISESCO and the OIC General Secretariat for the excellent arrangements of the 4th Islamic Conference of Ministers of Higher Education and Scientific Research held in Baku in October 2008, expresses its gratitude to the Republic of Azerbaijan for hosting the conference, welcomes Malaysia's offer to host the 5th Conference in 2010.
- 15. REQUESTS** the Secretary General to take the necessary steps to implement these recommendations and present a report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers Meeting.

RESOLUTION NO.3/36-S&T
ON
HEALTH MATTERS

The Thirty-Sixth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session for Enhancing Islamic Solidarity), held in Damascus, Arab Syrian Republic from 28 Jumadi Al Awwal- 01 Jumadi Al Thani 1430 H (23-25 May 2009).

RECALING the Resolutions No 7/35 – S & T on the Global Cooperation for Combating Diseases and Epidemics adopted by the 35th CFM;

RECALLING the Declaration and Resolutions adopted by the First Islamic Conference of Health Ministers held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on 15 – 17 June 2007;

TAKE NOTE of the Cooperation Framework signed by the OIC General Secretariat and the US on 1st December 2009 to work together and to implement a bilateral cooperation project entitled “Reaching Every Mother and Baby in the OIC with Emergency Care”;

CONSIDERING the report of the Secretary General on Higher Education, Science, Technology, Health and Environment OIC/36-CFM/2009/ST/SG-REP on the progress and achievements made to strengthen the science and technology activities of the Muslim World;

Hereby:

1. **APPRECIATES** the Islamic Republic of Iran for hosting the Second Islamic Conference of Health Ministers of Health (ICHM) held in Tehran on 1 – 4 March June 2009;
2. **WELCOMES** the establishment of Steering Committee on Health to monitor the implementation of the decisions and recommendations of Islamic Conferences of Health Ministers and **requests** the Steering Committee on Health to effectively and efficiently implement and monitor the implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the Conferences;
3. **FURTHER WELCOMES** the recommendation of the Steering Committee for the OIC General Secretariat and the Steering Committee to sign a Memorandum of Understanding on rendering of secretariat services;
4. **REQUESTS** the OIC General Secretariat to immediately initiate an OIC Polio Eradication Program in collaboration with the Global Polio Eradication Initiative to assist in the process of eradication of Polio from the remaining OIC Member States including its detection, and **further urges** to dispatch a joint OIC/IDB mission to the three OIC Member States endemic with polio to explore ways of direct assistance for polio eradication in the three OIC Member States;
5. **URGES** all Member States to implement the Resolutions and Declaration adopted by the Second Islamic Conference of Health Ministers held in Tehran on 1– 4 March June 2009;

6. **WELCOMES** the initiative (by SESRIC) of Ibn Sina Programme for OIC Health Capacity Building, which aims at matching the needs and capacities of OIC Member States, and urges SESRIC, in cooperation with IDB, to conduct necessary surveys and organize training programmes”;
7. **WELCOMES** the offer made by the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Republic of Indonesia to host the Third and the Fourth of the Islamic Conference of Health Ministers (ICHM) in 2011 and 2013 respectively;
8. **REQUESTS** the OIC General Secretariat to fully implement the project entitled “Reaching Every Mother and Baby in the OIC with Emergency Care” under the Cooperation Framework signed by the OIC General Secretariat and the US on 1st December 2008.
9. **WELCOMES** the Partnership Agreement between the OIC and the Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria that serve as a framework through which both organizations can set forth the ways and means to initiate mutual collaboration to scale up the fight against the three diseases meeting the objectives of the Ten-Year Program of Action and the Millennium Development Goals as well as towards;
10. **COMMENDS** the Islamic Development Bank for its constructive role in implementing the resolution of the Third Extraordinary Summit Conference held in Makkah as it relates to establishing and enhancing the IDB anti-malaria programme in Member States and for signing a memorandum of understanding with key partners in combating malaria (World Health Organization and the World Program for Combating Tuberculosis, Malaria AIDS and the Malaria Roll Back Program);
11. **INVITES** concerned OIC Member States to make full use of the IDB Self Reliance in Vaccine Production grant program targeting institutional capacity building of Vaccine Producers and National Regulatory/Control Authorities.
12. **REQUESTS** the Secretary General to take appropriate steps for the implementation of this recommendation and submit a report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers Meeting.

RESOLUTION NO.4/36-S&T
ON
ENVIRONMENT MATTERS

The Thirty-Sixth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session for Enhancing Islamic Solidarity), held in Damascus, Arab Syrian Republic from 28 Jumadi Al Awwal- 01 Jumadi Al Thani 1430 H (23-25 May 2009).

RECALLING Resolution No 8/35 – S & T on the Implementation of the Bali Plan of Action of the United Nations Climate Change Conference and Resolution No 9/35 – S & T on the International Cooperation in the Areas of Environment adopted by the 35th CFM;

RECALLING the Thirteenth General Assembly of the OIC Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation (COMSTECH) held in Islamabad, Pakistan on 1 – 3 April 2008 which noted with appreciation the progress reports presented by the Inter-Islamic Network on Water Resources Development and Management (**INWRDAM**);

RECOGNIZING the threat to water resources as a serious one the OIC General Secretariat participated actively in the Ministerial process of the 5th World Water Forum;

CONSIDERING the report of the Secretary General on Higher Education, Science, Technology, Health and Environment OIC/36-CFMCS/2009/ST/SG-REP on the progress and achievements made to strengthen the science and technology activities of the Muslim World;

Hereby:

1. **EXPRESSES** its deep appreciation and gratitude to the Kingdom of Morocco for its hosting, and the High Patronage of His Majesty King Mohamed VI, of the 3rd Islamic Conference of Environment Ministers held in Rabat on 29-30 October 2009, and pays tribute to ISESCO and the General Presidency for Meteorology and Environment Protection of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the convening of this conference and the success of its proceedings. It also expresses its deep appreciation and gratitude to President of the Republic of Tunisia, Mr. Zainul Abdin Bin Ali for kindly giving his approval for Tunisia to host the 4th Islamic Conference of Environment Ministers in the year 2010;
2. **WELCOMES** the initiative of the Inter-Islamic Network on Water Resources Development and Management (INWRDAM) for organizing an expert group meeting in Amman, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan on 18 – 19 October 2008 and the issues of water shall be treated seriously and recommends the OIC should formulate its own views on water issues;
3. **APPRECIATES** the Government of Republic of Turkey for hosting the OIC Ministerial Meeting on Water in Istanbul on 20 March 2009, as a sideline event of the 5th World Water Forum;
4. **REQUESTS** the OIC General Secretariat to cooperate with the OIC subsidiary and specialized institutions to implement the decision of the Ministerial Meeting for the establishment of an expert group, to call for a meeting to examine the relevant proposals

and prepare the OIC Vision on water issues for the year 2025 within the framework of the management of water resources in the Islamic World as adopted by the 10th Islamic Summit Conference in Putrajaya. It also invites the General Secretariat to lay emphasis on the need to consider the proposal for the establishment of the Islamic Council for water resources within the framework of the Islamic Conference of Environment Ministers, and the Islamic Executive Council for Environment whose proceedings were overseen by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia represented in the person of His Royal Highness Prince Turkey Bin Naser Bin Abdul Aziz, Director General of the Saudi Meteorology and Environment Protection Authority.

5. **FURTHER APPRECIATES** the active participation of the OIC Member States in the Ministerial Meeting;
6. **FURTHER REQUESTS** the OIC General Secretariat in collaboration with other the related OIC institutions to coordinate and prepare for the United Nation Climate Change Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, 9 – 17 December 2009;
7. **CALLS UPON** the international community to assist OIC Member States affected by Climate Change, specially in implementation of adoption and mitigation measures;
8. **CALLS** the OIC Member States and the international community to further take note of ecological problems of the Aral Sea and Semipalatinsk Nuclear Testing Range and extend technical, financial and other support for resolving the results of these ecological catastrophes;
9. **REQUESTS** the Secretary General to take appropriate steps for the implementation of this recommendation and submit a report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers Meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 5/36-S&T
ON
THE ACTIVITIES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION (COMSTECH)

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RECALLING resolution no. 13/3-P (IS) of Third Islamic Summit Conference held in Makkah Al-Mukarramah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from 19-22 Rabi-ul-Awal, 1401H, corresponding to 25-28 January 1981, establishing Ministerial Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation and all subsequent resolutions of the Islamic Summit Conferences pertaining to COMSTECH;

FURTHER RECALLING the adoption of the Kuala Lumpur Declaration on Science and Technology for the Socio-Economic Well-Being of the Ummah (**Vision 1441**) at the 10th OIC Summit Conference held at Putrajaya, and adoption of the **Ten-Year Program of Action** at the Third Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference held in Makkah al-Mukarramah in December 2005

HAVING CONSIDERED the report of the Ministerial Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation (COMSTECH):

1. **WELCOMES** the efforts of the President of the Government of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Science and Technological Cooperation (COMSTECH) to make Science and Technology an important agenda of the OIC Member States;
2. **COMMENDS** the consideration of the 13th General Assembly of COMSTECH ensuring the optimum utilization of the scientific and technological capabilities and potentialities available in the Member States and the relevant OIC institutions for the overall progress, welfare and prosperity of the Muslim Ummah in particular for the least developed countries of the OIC towards poverty alleviation;
3. **APPRECIATES** COMSTECH in its capacity as Standing Committee ensuring implementation of the OIC Vision 1441 H for S&T and the OIC Ten-Year Programme of Action by all stakeholders;
4. **URGES** COMSTECH to continue giving priority to the special program for Africa in accordance with the OIC Ten-Year Program of Action;
5. **CALLS UPON** COMSTECH to continue taking the lead in setting policy guidelines to unify and integrate activities of all S&T institutions in the OIC system;
6. **URGES** all the OIC Member States and the relevant OIC institutions to cooperate with COMSTECH to meet the objectives of the OIC Vision 1441 H for S & T and the OIC Ten-Year Programme of Action;

7. **REQUESTS** the Secretary General to take the appropriate steps for implementation of these recommendations and report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers Meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 6/36-S&T
ON
THE ACTIVITIES OF ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

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RECALLING Resolution No.11/35-S&T on the Role and Activities of the OIC institutions in the promotion of higher education in the OIC Member States;

TAKING NOTE of the activities of the Islamic University of Technology (IUT) in its pursuit to provide higher education on Engineering, Science and Technology and Technical Education in the 21st century to the youth of the Islamic world;

TAKING NOTE of an item of action in the OIC Ten-year Program of Action under the domain of Higher Education, Science and Technology that calls for “effective improvement and reform of educational institutions and curricula in all levels and link postgraduate studies to the comprehensive development plans of the Islamic world”;

HAVING TAKEN NOTE with appreciation of the reports on the activities and operations of the OIC institutions;

CONSIDERING the report of the Secretary General on Higher Education, Science, Technology, Health and Environment OIC/36-CFM/2009/ST/SG-REP on the progress and achievements made to strengthen the science and technology activities of the Muslim world;

Hereby:

1. **APPRECIATES** the efforts of the IUT in developing the University towards a centre of excellence for the Islamic world.
2. **REALISES** the concern expressed by the Vice-Chancellor of the IUT over the problem of electricity supply in the Campus and invites Member States to provide generous support to solve the problem urgently.
3. **WELCOMES** the conferring of honorary doctorate to Prof. Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu, Secretary General of the OIC and nobel laureate Dr. Muhammad Yunus, respectively.
4. **APPROVES** the election of the following nine (9) members to the Board of Governors of IUT for the Term 2009-2011:

People’s Republic of Bangladesh, Arab Republic of Egypt, Great Socialist People’s Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Republic of Indonesia, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Islamic Republic of Pakistan and Republic of Turkey.

5. **REQUESTS** the Secretary General to take the necessary steps to implement these recommendations and present a report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

RESOLUTION NO. 7/36-S&T
ON
ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY IN NIGER

The Thirty-Sixth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session for Enhancing Islamic Solidarity), held in Damascus, Arab Syrian Republic from 28 Jumadi Al Awwal- 01 Jumadi Al Thani 1430 H (23-25 May 2009).

The Islamic University in Niger, continuing to discharge its pioneering role in spreading Islamic culture and the language of the Qur'an in West Africa:

RECALLING Resolution No.11/35-S&T on the Role and Activities of the OIC institutions in the promotion of higher education in the OIC Member States;

CONSIDERING the report of the Secretary General on Higher Education, Science, Technology, Health and Environment OIC/36-CFM/2009/ST-SG-REP on the progress and achievements made to strengthen the science and technology activities of the Muslim world;

Hereby:

1. **EXTENDS** its profound gratitude to all Member States and institutions that have contributed to support and assist the university in carrying out its function;
2. **CALLS UPON** all OIC Member States to assist the university in implementing its plan to open new academy faculties, in particular faculty of economics and business management and the faculty of science and technology;
3. **REQUESTS** the Secretary General to take the necessary steps to implement these recommendations and present a report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers Meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 8/36-S&T
ON
THE ACTIVITIES OF ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY IN UGANDA

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RECALLING Resolution No.11/35-S&T on the Role and Activities of the OIC institutions in the promotion of higher education in the OIC Member States;

NOTING the great contribution the Islamic University in Uganda (IUIU) has made in the last 21 years to the education of the countries in sub-Sahara Africa, and the continued educational need of the Muslims in eastern and southern Africa;

FURTHER NOTING the opening of the female campus with the financial assistance of the Islamic Solidarity Fund (ISF) which has significantly increased the university's capacity to provide university education to Muslim girls;

AWARE of the serious shortage of qualified professionals in the scientific and technological areas among the countries served by the university;

CONSIDERING the report of the Secretary General on Higher Education, Science, Technology, Health and Environment OIC/36-CFM/2009/ST-SG-REP on the progress and achievements made to strengthen the science and technology activities of the Muslim world;

1. **THANKS** the Member States and institutions such as the ISF, IDB, Zakat House Kuwait and the OIC Secretariat for their continuous support to the university,
2. **CALLS UPON** Member States and institutions to assist the university in establishing the faculties of Medicine, Engineering, Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine,
3. **FURTHER CALLS UPON** Member States and institutions to assist the university to acquire more facilities such as lecture rooms, library, science equipment, staff houses, as well as scholarships for staff development and needy students.
4. **REQUESTS** the Secretary General to take the necessary steps to implement these recommendations and present a report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers Meeting.
