

RESOLUTIONS ON STATUTORY AND GENERAL MATTERS

ADOPTED BY THE TWENTY THIRD ISLAMIC CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS

(SESSION OF PEACE, SOLIDARITY AND TOLERANCE),

CONAKRY, REPUBLIC OF GUINEA

17-20 RAJAB, 1415H (9-12 DECEMBER, 1995)

RESOLUTION NO.1/23-ORG

ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE, THE SUBSIDIARY ORGANS, THE SPECIALIZED AND AFFILIATED INSTITUTIONS.

The Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (Session of Peace, Solidarity and Tolerance), held in Conakry, Republic of Guinea, from 17 to 20 Rajab, 1416H (9-12 December, 1995),

Referring to the provisions of the OIC Charter;

Inspired by the Makkah Al Mukarramah Declaration and Plan of Action to strengthen economic cooperation among Member States adopted by the Third Islamic Summit;

Convinced of the need for the Organization of the Islamic Conference to play a more active and dynamic role with a view to achieving the objectives of the Charter and consolidating Islamic solidarity and cooperation;

Determined to give the needed impetus to the General Secretariat, to the subsidiary organs, and the specialized and affiliated institutions in order to respond effectively to the requirements of joint Islamic action, through the continued improvement of working conditions of members of the staff;

Recalling Resolution No.1/7-ORG (IS) adopted by the Seventh Islamic Summit;

Recalling its previous resolutions, particularly resolutions 6/18-AF and 1/19-ORG, 1/20-ORG, 1/21-ORG and 1/22-ORG adopted respectively by the Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-First and Twenty-second Islamic Conferences of Foreign Ministers on the Functioning of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, the Subsidiary organs, and the Specialized and Affiliated Institutions;

Having taken cognizance of the Report of the Secretary General on the implementation of resolution 1/22-ORG contained in document ICFM/23-94/ORG.D-1; Having taken note of the reforms undertaken within the General Secretariat and at the level of Subsidiary Organs in order to rationalize their functioning and management and enhance their effectiveness;

Deeply concerned by the serious financial crisis which has been besetting the Organization and its various institutions for several years;

Emphasizing the need to provide the Organization, the Subsidiary Organs, the Specialized and Affiliated Institutions with the means whereby they can accomplish their mission in the service of joint Islamic action.

1. Expresses its deepest gratitude to His Majesty Hassan II, King of Morocco and current Chairman of the Seventh Islamic Summit, for his solicitude and far-sighted directives to the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and the various Islamic institutions for strengthening joint Islamic action.

2. Takes note with satisfaction of the steps and initiatives of the Secretary General with a view to rationalizing the functioning and the management of the Organization while increasing its efficiency and implementing the relevant resolutions adopted by Islamic Conferences of Foreign Ministers on this question.

3. Notes with satisfaction the implementation of the Framework Statute for Subsidiary Organs and the Internal Rules for the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs as adopted by the Sixth Islamic Summit.

4. Also notes with satisfaction the implementation of the Framework Statutes and Rules of Procedure for the Standing Committees (COMCEC and COMIAC) as adopted by the Sixth Islamic Summit.

5. Further notes with satisfaction the finalization of the Draft Statute and Rules of Procedure for the Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation (COMSTECH) in conformity with the provisions of Resolution 1/22-ORG of the Seventh Islamic Summit.

6. Notes with satisfaction the efforts of the Secretary General aimed at strengthening and widening coordination and cooperation within the institutional family of the OIC and decides to strengthen sectorial cooperation, at the level of programmes particularly among the various organs and institutions involved in similar fields by inviting one another to participate in the meetings of their Boards of Directors as stipulated in their statutes.

7. Invites the Secretary General to further consider ways and means to ensure regular financing of the budget and activities of the General Secretariat and Subsidiary Organs and requests the Secretary General to engage in consultations with the subsidiary organs and the specialized and affiliated institutions with a view to identifying the various human, material, financial and technical potentials in order to implement their respective programmes of work, taking into account the principles of interaction, interdependence and cooperation within the institutional family of the OIC.

8. Requests the Secretary General to submit a report on the implementation of this Resolution to the Twenty-fourth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

RESOLUTION NO.2/23-ORG

ON THE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE AND THE UNITED NATIONS

The Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (Session of Peace, Solidarity and Tolerance), held in Conakry, Republic of Guinea, from 17 to 20 Rajab, 1416H (9-12 December, 1995),

Having considered the Report of the Secretary-General on the cooperation between the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the United Nations (Doc.ICFM/23-95/ORG/D.5);

Taking into account the desire of both Organizations to cooperate more closely in their common search for solutions to global problems, such as questions relating to international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, decolonization, racial discrimination, fundamental human rights and the establishment of a new international economic order;

Recalling the Articles of the Charter of the Organization of the Islamic Conference which encourage activities carried out through regional cooperation to promote the objectives and principles of the United Nations and the Islamic Conference;

Noting with satisfaction the strengthening of cooperation between the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions;

Noting also the encouraging progress made in nine priority areas of cooperation as well as in the identification of new areas of cooperation such as "Promotion of Development through Inter-cultural Dialogue";

Convinced that the strengthening of cooperation between the United Nations System and its agencies and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its institutions contributes to the promotion of the objectives and principles of the Charters of both the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference;

Noting with satisfaction the determination of both organizations to further strengthen the existing cooperation by initiating specific proposals in the priority areas of cooperation;

Noting also with satisfaction the high level meeting undertaken by the Secretariats of the two organisations to establish a mechanism of cooperation in the political field.

Recognizing the need for closer cooperation between the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations System and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions in the implementation of the proposals adopted at the coordination meeting of the Focal Points of the principal specialized agencies of the two organizations;

Recognizing also the relevance of the participation in future OIC/UN coordination meetings, of the Islamic Development Bank and other funding institutions in the Islamic world.

Recalling its previous resolutions on the subject in particular Resolution No.46/19-P of the Nineteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, Resolution No.3/20-ORG and No.3/22-ORG of the Twenty-second Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers as well as United Nations General Assembly resolution 44/8 of October 18, 1989, resolution 45/9 of October 25, 1990 and resolution 47/18 dated 23 November, 1992 and resolution 49/15 of 25th November, 1994;

1. Takes note with satisfaction of the Report of the Secretary-General.

2. Notes with satisfaction the active participation of the Organization of the Islamic Conference in the work of the United Nations in order to achieve the objectives and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and of the Organization of the Islamic Conference;

3. Requests the Secretary-General in consultation with the Member States to consolidate the mechanism of cooperation with the United Nations system in the common search for solutions to global problems, such as issues of international peace and security, disarmament, self-determination, decolonization, racial discrimination, fundamental human rights and the establishment of a new international economic order.

4. Urges the specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system to broaden the scope of their cooperation with the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its various institutions, particularly by negotiating cooperation agreements, and invites them to multiply the contacts and meetings of the focal points in priority areas of interest to the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

5. Urges also the United Nations institutions, especially the main agencies, to provide increased technical and other forms of assistance to the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions in order to broaden the scope of their cooperation.

6. Reiterates its appreciation to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for his continued efforts to strengthen cooperation and coordination between the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference to serve their mutual interests in the political, economic, social and cultural fields.

7. Requests the OIC Secretary-General, in cooperation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to encourage the convening of sectorial meetings in the priority areas of cooperation.

8. Expresses its appreciation for the efforts of the OIC Secretary-General in the promotion of cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and expresses the hope that he will continue to strengthen the mechanisms of coordination between the two organizations.

9. Further expresses appreciation for the progress made in working out mechanisms of cooperation in the political field between the two organisations and request to hold consultations between the two Organizations on regular basis.

10. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Twenty-fourth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers on the state of cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

11. Decides to include in the agenda of its twenty-fourth session the item entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference".

RESOLUTION NO.3/23-ORG

ON COOPERATION BETWEEN THE OIC AND INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (Session of Peace, Solidarity and Tolerance), held in Conakry, Republic of Guinea, from 17 to 20 Rajab 1416H (9-12 December 1995),

Welcoming the effort of the Secretary General to establish and maintain excellent cooperation with the relevant international and regional Organizations;

Recognizing the excellent cooperation between the OIC and the League of Arab States and especially the symposium they jointly conducted on Al-Quds Al-Sharif in Cairo in March 1995;

Bearing in mind the cordial relationship between the OIC and the Organization of African Unity (OAU) characterized by exchange of views, consultations and reciprocal attendance of each others' Summit and Ministerial Conferences;

Noting the useful relationship between the OIC and the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) and the support the OIC receives from NAM especially in its effort to ensure a lasting peace in the Middle East;

Also noting the excellent cooperation between the OIC and the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) since the two Organizations signed a Cooperation Agreement in September, 1994;

1. Notes with satisfaction the excellent cooperation between the OIC and the League of Arab States and urges the two Organizations to continue to jointly organize seminars and symposia on subjects of common interest to them and which are beneficial to their respective member states.

2. Also notes with satisfaction the efforts of the Secretary General to conclude cooperation agreement with the OAU especially because majority of the OIC Member States are also members of the OAU.

3. Further notes with satisfaction the useful consultations held by the Secretary General with the executives of ECO and UMA and calls upon the Organization to strengthen cooperation with these two Organizations.

4. Calls upon the Secretary General to maintain the useful interaction that he has been able to establish with the Non-Aligned Movement.

5. Invites the Secretary General to maintain cooperation and coordination with all the said international and regional Organizations not only for mutual benefit but also for the well-being of the Member States and the Islamic World at large.

6. Requests the Secretary General to submit progress report to the Twenty-fourth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

RESOLUTION NO.4/23-ORG

ON THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL OF THE ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY FUND

The Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (Session of Peace, Solidarity and Tolerance), held in Conakry, Republic of Guinea, from 17 to 20 Rajab 1416H (9-12 December 1995),

Referring to the provisions of the Charter of the Organization of the Islamic Conference;

Recalling the relevant provisions of the Statute of the Islamic Solidarity Fund;

Taking note of the Report of the Secretary General on the election of members of the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund presented in Document No.ICFM/23-95/ORG/D.6;

Referring to the Report of the Chairman of the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund, presented in Document No.ICFM/23-95/ISF/D.1;

Noting that the term of office of the present Council will come to an end on 30 June 1995;

Decides:

-To elect to the membership of the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund for the period from 1st July 1995 to 30th June 1997, the representatives of the following Member States:

1. State of the United Arab Emirates
2. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
3. Republic of Turkey
4. Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
5. Republic of Tunisia
6. Islamic Republic of Pakistan
7. State of Kuwait
8. Republic of Yemen.
9. Arab Republic of Egypt.
10. Kingdom of Morocco.
11. State of Palestine.
12. Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.
13. Republic of Niger.

RESOLUTION NO.5/23-ORG

ON THE FINANCE CONTROL ORGAN

The Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (Session of Peace, Solidarity and Tolerance), held in Conakry, Republic of Guinea, from 17 to 20 Rajab 1416H (9-12 December 1995),

Considering Article 79 of the Finance Regulations of the Organization of the Islamic Conference constituting the Finance control Organ, and Article 81 that the Finance Control Organ shall be composed of eight-Member States to be appointed by the Conference for two years, renewable;

Further considering that the present term of the membership of the Finance control Organ designated at the Twenty-first Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Karachi in April 1993 is expiring;

Appoints the following eight-member states to compose the Finance control Organ:

1. Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
2. People's Republic of Bangladesh.
3. Republic of Tunisia.
4. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
5. Republic of Yemen.
6. United Arab Emirates.
7. Socialist Peoples' Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.
8. Republic of Senegal.

RESOLUTION NO.6/23-ORG

ON THE COMMEMORATION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF PAKISTAN IN 1997

The Twenty-Third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (Session of Peace, Solidarity and Tolerance), held in Conakry, the Republic of Guinea from 9-12 December 1995:

Bearing in mind the principles and objectives of the Charter of the Organization of the Islamic Conference;

Re-affirming the commitment of the Organization of Islamic Conference to promoting Islamic unity and solidarity;

Recognizing Pakistan's historic role in support of all just Islamic causes and for the promotion of Islamic solidarity, ever since its inception in 1947;

Affirming the importance that the Government and people of Pakistan attach to commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the founding of Pakistan in 1997;

(1) Urges all OIC Member States to express their solidarity with Pakistan in marking this historic occasion.

(2) Takes note of the proposal of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to hold an Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Summit Conference in Pakistan in March 1997 to mark the historic occasion of the 50th Anniversary of Pakistan's independence.

(3) Recommends to the Heads of State/Government of the OIC Member States to approve the proposal for the holding of an Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Summit in Pakistan in March 1997.

RESOLUTION NO.7/23-ORG

ON THE DATE AND VENUE OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH ISLAMIC CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS

The Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (Session of Peace, Solidarity and Tolerance), held in Conakry, Republic of Guinea, from 17 to 20 Rajab, 1416H (9 - 12 December, 1995),

Referring to the relevant provisions of the Charter, in particular Articles 5 and 6;

Recalling the rules of procedure for the meetings of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference, particularly rules 2 and 9 concerning the convening of the Conference and the role of the General Secretariat;

Recalling also the relevant provisions of Resolution No.1/19-ORG on the functioning of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference, its subsidiary organs and specialized and affiliated institutions, and notably its paragraph 17, setting the third week of the month of April of each year for holding the regular sessions of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers;

Having noted with appreciation the offer made by the Republic of Indonesia to host the Twenty-fourth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers;

1.Expresses its deep gratitude to the Government of the Republic of Indonesia for its generous offer.

2.Decides that the Twenty-fourth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers will be held in 1996 in Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia at a date to be fixed through consultations between the host country and the Secretary General.

3.Requests the Secretary General, in accordance with the prevailing technical, administrative and financial arrangements and in consultation with the Government of the Republic of Indonesia to take the necessary steps for convening the Twenty-fourth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers on the scheduled date.

MOTION OF THANKS ADDRESSED TO

HIS EXCELLENCY GENERAL LANSANA CONTE, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF GUINEA

The Twenty-Third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (Session of Peace, Solidarity and Tolerance), held in Conakry, Republic of Guinea, from 17-20 Rajab 1416H (9-12 December 1995),

Inspired by the principles and objectives of the OIC Charter;

Having followed with great interest the opening speech of His Excellency General Lansana Conte', President of the Republic of Guinea who kindly accepted to grace this Conference with his High Patronage:

1-Pays a warm tribute to His Excellency General Lansana Conte', President of the Republic of Guinea for his support to the action of the Organization, for the excellent initiative in hosting this important Ministerial Conference and for his great part in joint Islamic action, in enhancing the prestige of the Organization and consolidating its contribution to international peace and security.

2.Expresses its sincere thanks and profound gratitude to His Excellency General Lansana Conte', to the Government and people of Guinea for their noble and sustained support to the Organization of the Islamic Conference and to its institutions, a support reflecting the great interest they have always taken in the defence of Islamic causes and congratulates him

on the significant progress already achieved in ensuring the prosperity of the people of Guinea under his high and enlightened guidance.