RESOLUTIONS ON STATUTORY AND GENERAL MATTERS ADOPTED BY THE TWENTY SECOND ISLAMIC CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS CASABLANCA, KINGDOM OF MOROCCO 8-10 RAJAB, 1415H, 10-12 DECEMBER, 1994

RESOLUTION NO. 1/22-ORG

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

The Twenty Second Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, from 8 to 10 Rajab 1415H (10-12 December, 1994),

Referring to the provisions of the OIC Charter;

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

<u>Convinced</u> 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;

<u>Determined</u> 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. 1/6-ORG (IS) adopted by the Sixth Islamic Summit;

<u>Recalling</u> its previous resolutions, particularly resolutions 6/18-AF and 1/19-ORG, 1/20-ORG, and 1/21-ORG adopted respectively by the Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-First Islamic Conferences of Foreign Ministers on the functioning of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, the subsidiary organs, and the specialized and affiliated institutions;

<u>Having taken cognizance</u> of the Report of the Secretary General on the implementation of resolution 1/21-ORG contained in document ICFM/22-94/ORG.D1

<u>Having taken note</u> 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;

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

<u>Emphasizing</u> 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. <u>Expresses</u> its deepest gratitude to His Excellency Abdou Diouf, President of the Republic of Senegal and current Chairman of the Sixth Islamic Summit for his solicitude and far-sighted directives to the General Secretariat of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference, and the various Islamic institutions for strengthening joint Islamic action.

2. <u>Takes note with satisfaction</u> of the steps and initiatives of the Secretary General with a view to rationalizing the functioning and the management of the Organisation while

increasing its efficiency and implementing the relevant resolutions adopted by Islamic Conferences of Foreign Ministers on this question.

3. <u>Notes with satisfaction</u> the adoption by the Sixth Islamic Summit of the framework Statute for subsidiary organs and of the internal rules for the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs.

4. <u>Also notes with satisfaction</u> the adoption by the Sixth Islamic Summit of the Statute and the internal framework regulations for the Standing Committees as well as of the statutes and regulations of COMCEC and COMIAC and requests the Secretary General to pursue his consultations to finalise the Statute and regulations for COMSTECH in pursuance of the decision of the Sixth Islamic Summit.

5. <u>Request</u> the Secretary General to initiate work on the establishment of a pension scheme in accordance with the personnel regulations of the OIC adopted by the 19th ICFM.

6. <u>Notes with satisfaction</u> the efforts of the Secretary General aimed at strengthening and widening coordination and cooperation within the institutional family of the OIC and <u>decides</u> to strengthen sectoral 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. <u>Invites</u> 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. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary General to submit a report on the implementation of this Resolution to the Twenty-Third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.



RESOLUTION NO. 2/22-ORG

ON THE REGULATION GOVERNING THE OBSERVER STATUS AT THE OIC

The Twenty Second Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, from 8 to 10 Rajab, 1415H (10-12 December, 1994),

Recalling the principles and objectives of the Charter;

<u>Also recalling</u> the pertinent resolutions of the 8th and 9th Islamic Conferences of Foreign Ministers held respectively in Tripoli in 1977 and in Dakar in 1978

Having considered of the report of the Secretary General (Doc. ICFM/22-94/ORG/D.2);

<u>Having examined</u> the report of the Meeting of the Committee of Experts which met on 25-26 January, 1994 in Jeddah and the Document as annex, in particular, the draft Regulation Governing the Observers status at the OIC prepared by the said Committee;

<u>Bearing in mind</u> the new International changes and their incidences on the life of the peoples and human communities especially on the Islamic world;

<u>Desirous</u> of consolidating the joint Islamic Action in favour of the communities and minorities and entities in non-member States and to develop links of cooperation with other nations and peoples as well as the regional and international organizations

respecting the principles and objectives of the Charter of the United Nations and International Conventions;

<u>Having taken note</u> of an increasing number of the requests for obtaining the Observer Status at the OIC;

1. <u>Notes</u> with satisfaction the report of the Secretary General on the subject.

2. <u>Reaffirms</u> the fundamental principles expressed in resolution NO. 1/8-P of the Eighth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Tripoli, in 1977 on the question.

3. <u>Congratulates</u> the Secretary General on the positive results obtained by the meetings of experts of Member States entrusted with preparing a final draft in implementation of resolution No. 4/21-ORG adopted by the Twenty-first Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

4. <u>Approves</u> the Regulations Governing the Observer status at the OIC annexed to this resolution.(OBS/1-92/D.1/Final)

5. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary General to follow the implementation of this resolution.

RULES OF OBSERVER STATUS AT THE ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE

<u>CHAPTER I</u>

SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS

ARTICLE (1)

This document shall be called the Rules for Observer Status at the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and shall include the rules, procedures and conditions for admission of observers into the Organization and their rights and obligations.

ARTICLE (2)

Definitions:

The terms indicated hereinafter, wherever appearing in the present Statute, shall have the meaning as indicated opposite to each of them:

Charter:	The Charter of the Organization of the Islamic Conference.
Organization:	The Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC).
Summit:	The Islamic Conference of Kings and Heads of States and Governments
Conference:	The Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (ICFM).
Bureau of the Conference.	The Bureau of the ICFM.
Secretary General:	The Secretary General of the OIC.
General Secretariat:	The General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference. The Chairman of a meeting of the Conference or any meeting within the framework of the Organization
Observer:	The Observer at the OIC as accepted in accordance with the provisions of these Rules.
Host country:	The country hosting the Conference or the meeting.

<u>CHAPTER II</u>

CATEGORIES OF OBSERVERS

ARTICLE (3)

Observer Status at the Organization of the Islamic Conference may be granted under the conditions and criteria laid down in these Rules to the following categories which may apply for it:

(a) Islamic States eligible for membership of the Organization according to the provisions of the Charter and wishing to follow the activities of the Organisation in Observer capacity provisionally prior to applying for membership.

(b) Intergovernmental Organizations: international and/or regional, under the conditions and criteria laid down in these Rules and on the basis of reciprocity.

ARTICLE (4)

The Secretary General after consultation with the Member States may invite representatives from Muslims countries, institutions or personalities from the non-member states whose action, testimonial or participation may contribute to promoting the objectives of the Charter, the Conference or the meeting, to attend the meetings of the Organization as guests on ad-hoc basis. The guest observer enjoy the status of observer during the meetings to which they were invited only.

No individuals or non-governmental entities of a member state can be invited without the consent of the Government of that member state.

CHAPTER III

CONDITIONS FOR ADMISSION OF THE OBSERVER

ARTICLE (5)

The Observer Status shall be granted under a resolution of the Conference, adopted by a two-thirds majority, pursuant to an application by the interested

applicant submitted to the Secretary General of the Organization and after recommendation by the Bureau of the Conference.

ARTICLE (6)

Applications of States referred to in para (a) of Article (3) and submitted to the Secretary General shall indicate the reasons justifying the request for an Observer Status

ARTICLE (7)

The application for Observer Status at the Organization shall include the applicant's commitment to respect and abide by the Charter, regulations and statutes of the OIC.

ARTICLE (8)

The application for Observer Status shall be submitted to the Secretary General at least three months before the Conference. The application shall be distributed to the Member States by the General Secretariat sixty days before the Conference.

ARTICLE (9)

The Conference shall take a decision on the application for Observer status at the first meeting to be held after submission of the application.

ARTICLE (10)

The Conference may cancel or suspend an Observer status with the approval of two-third majority as soon as its beneficiary loses some or all the conditions of his membership.

CHAPTER IV

RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

ARTICLE (11)

(a) With the permission of the meeting, the Chairman of the Meeting, may allow an observer to deliver or distribute a statement in the Plenary Session and make clarifications if deemed appropriate.

(b) An Observer has no right to vote or to sponsor draft resolutions. Moreover, he has no right to propose his candidature to any elections within the framework of the Organization; nor submit proposals or draft resolutions.

(c) Observers referred to in Article (3) Para (a) may participate in and/or benefit from the activities of the Organization approved by the Conference.

(d) Subject to the provisions of the Agreement on the Immunities and Privileges of the OIC, the representatives of an observer at the Organization

shall enjoy the immunities and privileges necessary for carrying out their functions and missions, and shall also enjoy the facilities provided by the host country of the meeting to the members of participating delegations. Invitees mentioned in Article 4 above enjoy the same facilities.

(e) The Observer referred to in Para (b) Article (3) may be invited to attend meetings on his field of activity in accordance with the provision of this Regulation.

(f) The guest observer shall not have the right to attend the closed meetings of the Conference except by an initiative from the Chairman after the approval of the Meeting.

CHAPTER V

GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE (12)

The Organization shall not assume any financial obligations resulting from the participation of observers and guest observers in the meetings.

ARTICLE (13)

The Secretary General of the Organization shall address invitations to observers or guest observers to attend the meetings within the limits prescribed for each category thereof.

ARTICLE (14)

These rules would not prejudice the status of observers existing at the time of their adoption.

ARTICLE (15)

These Rules shall come into force on the date of its approval by the Conference.



RESOLUTION NO.3/22-ORG ON THE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE AND THE UNITED NATIONS

The Twenty Second Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, from 8 to 10 Rajab, 1415H (10-12 December, 1994),

<u>Having considered</u> the Report of the Secretary-General on the cooperation between the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the United Nations (Doc. ICFM/22-94/ORG/D.3);

<u>Taking into account</u> 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, de-colonization, racial discrimination, fundamental human rights and the establishment of a new international economic order;

<u>Recalling</u> 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;

<u>Noting</u> 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;

<u>Noting also with satisfaction</u> the results of the first Sectoral meeting held between the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions on Human Resources Development: Basic Education and Training, held at Rabat in April 1991, the Second Sectoral Meeting held between the United Nations System and the Organisation of the Islamic Conference and its specialized institutions on Science and Technology with special emphasis on Environment held at Dhaka in December, 1992 and the meeting between OIC and UNO held in Geneva from 9 to 11 May, 1994 which, inter alia, decided to strengthen their Sectoral cooperation;

<u>Noting also</u> the encouraging progress made in seven priority areas of cooperation as well as in the identification of new areas of cooperation;

<u>Convinced</u> that the strengthening of cooperation between the United Nations and other organizations of the United Nations system and the Organization of the Islamic Conference contributes to the promotion of the objectives and principles of the United Nations and of the Organization of the Islamic Conference;

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

<u>Recognizing</u> 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;

<u>Recalling</u> 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 of the Twentieth 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;

1. <u>Takes note</u> with satisfaction of the Report of the Secretary-General.

2. <u>Notes with satisfaction</u> 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. <u>Requests</u> 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. <u>Urges</u> 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. <u>Urges</u> 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. <u>Reiterates its appreciation</u> 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. <u>Takes note</u> of the conclusions and recommendations of the First and Second Sectoral Meetings on Development of Human Resources, Basic Education and Training and Science and Technology and urges that cooperation in this field be continued with a view to implementing those conclusions and recommendations in cooperation with the United Nations system, particularly the multidimensional basic education and training programme in the field of human resources in Islamic countries and in the preparation of a detailed medium term Plan of Action pertaining to strategic objectives for cooperation on environment and development among OIC Member States;

8. <u>Requests</u> the OIC Secretary-General, in cooperation with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to encourage the convening of sectoral meetings in the priority areas of cooperation, particularly as regards follow-up.

9. <u>Expresses its appreciation</u> 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.

10. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary-General to report in consultation with Member States to the Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers on the state of cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

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



RESOLUTION NO. 4/22-ORG

ON COOPERATION BETWEEN THE OIC AND ECO

The Twenty Second Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, from 8 to 10 Rajab, 1415H (10-12 December, 1994),

<u>Noting</u> that the objectives of the Economic Cooperation Organization include expansion of trade among its Member States by providing freer access to each other's market; promotion in each of its Member States of conditions for sustained economic growth in order to achieve continuous improvement in the standard of living of the people; consolidation of cultural affinities and spiritual and fraternal ties that bind the people of the Member States through social and cultural channels of thought and action; and contributing to the growth of world trade and striving for removing iniquitous trading policies resulting in adverse terms of trade for the developing countries, by evolving a common approach in international fora;

<u>Also Noting</u> that the ECO countries, majority of which are OIC Member States, are geographically close and economically resourceful countries which can contribute to the rich cultural heritage of the OIC Member States;

<u>Recalling</u> the resolutions of the previous Islamic Conferences on closer cooperation between Member States in the economic field;

<u>Also recalling</u> that the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) has expressed an interest in closer cooperation with the OIC at the ECO Council of Ministers Meeting in Quetta in February 1993;

- <u>Notes with satisfaction</u> the signing of a cooperation agreement between the OIC and ECO;
- 2.<u>Invites</u> the OIC Secretary General to ensure the implementation of the objectives defined in the said agreement and submit a progress report to the Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.



RESOLUTION NO.5/22-ORG

ON COOPERATION BETWEEN OIC AND WORLD MUSLIM SCOUT UNION

The Twenty Second Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, from 8 to 10 Rajab, 1415H (10-12 December, 1994),

<u>Recalling</u> the principles and objectives of the Charter of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference;

<u>Mindful</u> of the importance of solidarity among Member States and anxious to strengthen fraternal links among the youths of the Islamic World;

Bearing in mind the principles of the World Muslim Scout Union;

<u>Having noted</u> the report of the Secretary General on cooperation between OIC and the WMSU (Doc.No. ICFM/22-94/ORG/D.4);

<u>Invites</u> the Secretary General to establish close cooperation links with the World Muslim Scout Union and to authorize it to carry out its activities under the banner of the OIC.

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RESOLUTION NO.6/22-ORG

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN EMINENT PERSONS GROUP TO TAKE STOCK OF THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE OIC OVER THE LAST TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.

The Twenty Second Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, from 8 to 10 Rajab 1415H (10-12 December, 1994),

<u>Welcoming</u> the contribution made by the Organization in the cause of Islamic solidarity and cooperation over the last twenty-five years;

<u>Recognizing</u> that the profound changes taking place in the World today such as the trend towards economic globalization and the formation of regional economic groupings pose serious challenge to the Muslim world and the Ummah;

<u>Recognizing</u> also the important role of the Organization in galvanizing cooperation among member states to meet these challenges;

<u>Taking note</u> of the views expressed during the general debate of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers on the image of Islam outside the Islamic World and the situation of economic cooperation and policies of economic integration of Member States;

<u>Emphasizing</u> the importance of taking stock of the Organization's past achievement and of reviewing its existing capabilities to meet the challenges in order to enhance the relevance and effectiveness of the Organization;

- <u>Decides</u> to establish immediately an Eminent Persons Group comprising a select number of outstanding individuals from various disciplines drawn from member states to take stock of the achievement of the Organization over the past twenty-five years, identify its strength and weaknesses, review its objectives in the light of changing circumstances and submit to the 23rd ICFM recommendations on appropriate measures that should be taken to enhance its effectiveness and relevance as the promoter of Islamic solidarity and cooperation and an overall perspective plan to expand and strengthen development cooperation among member countries for the progress of the Ummah.
- 2. <u>Decides further</u> that the appointment of the Eminent Persons Group shall be undertaken by the Secretary General in consultation with the Chairman and member states, taking into account equitable geographical distribution.
- 3. <u>Calls</u> upon the General Secretariat and all bodies under the OIC system to extend their fullest cooperation to the Eminent Persons Group to enable it to carry out its function effectively.
- 4. <u>Urges</u> all member states to contribute on a voluntary basis towards meeting the necessary expenses incurred by the Eminent Persons Group in fulfilling its task.