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**REPORT OF THE CULTURAL AND ISLAMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
EMANATING FROM THE FIFTEENTH ISLAMIC CONFERENCE
OF FOREIGN MINISTERS**

Mr. A.B.M. Abdel Matin, Representative of the People's Republic of Bangladesh inaugurated the first session of this Committee on Wednesday 26 Rabiul Awal 1405H (19 December 1984) as his country chaired the Fourteenth Islamic Foreign Ministers Conference.

He greeted the delegates briefly and announced that according to procedure the representative of the host country chaired the Committee emanating from the Conference. Consequently, he requested the delegates to elect Mr. Ghaleb Aly Jamil, Ambassador of the Yemen Arab Republic in France, as Chairman. The proposal was unanimously endorsed.

H.E. Ghaleb Aly Jamil briefly addressed the Committee and once again on behalf of his country welcomed delegations participating in the Conference. He was proud of the confidence placed in his person and was confident that the members of the Committee would exert all their efforts to cooperate with him in facilitating the activities of the Committee and ensuring its success.

The Chairman then invited the members of the Committee to nominate the remaining members of the Bureau. The Representative of Senegal took the floor and proposed H.E. Ambassador Ahmed Al Mobarak, the Representative of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and H.E. Hadj Sulaiman Ibn Haj Sharif, the Assistant Secretary General of the Council of Ministers of Malaysia as Vice-Chairmen, and Dr. Mahmoud Abdou Al-Zubair, the Representative of the Republic of Mali as Rapporteur. The proposal was unanimously endorsed.

The following agenda items of this Committee were then reviewed:

The Islamic University in Niger, its Draft Statute; and designation of Members of its Governing body.

The Islamic University in Uganda and its Draft Statute.

The International Islamic University in Malaysia.

The Islamic University in Bangladesh.

Al-Zaytouna Faculty of Sharia and Theology in Tunisia.

The regional Institute for Complementary Education in Pakistan.
The Regional Centre for Research and Islamic Studies in Timbuktu, Mali.
The Islamic Translation Institute in Khartoum.
The Islamic Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO).
Islamic Foundation for Science, Technology and Development (ICDT).
Appointment of Dr. Ali Abdullah Ad-Dafa (Saudi Arabia) and Dr. A.M. Sharafuddin (Bangladesh) as new members of the Scientific Council of IFSTAD.

Consideration of the draft for drawing up a plan aiming to assess the various natural, social and human sciences from an Islamic standpoint.

Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture, Istanbul.

International Commission for Preservation of the Islamic Heritage.

Projects, at the level of the Islamic World, to highlight the role of authentic Islamic Art and instill Islamic values to the Youth.

International Islamic Law Commission.

Restoration of Demak Mosque in Indonesia.

International Centre of Bantu Civilizational in Gabon.

Islamic Centre in Guinea-Bissau.

An Islamic Cultural Centre in Moroni, Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros.

Taking charge of the running of the al-Faisal Mosque and the setting up of a higher Islamic Institute of Theology in Njamena, Chad.

Islamic Fiqh Academy.

Unification of Lunar Calendar and Islamic Holidays.

Islamic Committee of the International Crescent.

Sports Federation of Islamic Solidarity Games.

Establishment of a Permanent Committee to undertake educational recreation in the Islamic society.

International Islamic Women's Organization.

Report on the activities of the World Federation of the International Arab-Islamic Schools.

Preparation of an authoritative and unified Islamic reference work for Islamic educational methods to be used as a source for the composition of books and the working out of methods for the different educational stages.

Teaching of history and geography of Palestine in Member States and consideration of the General Secretariat and ISESCO's reports on this subject.

Programme concerning the 15th Hijra Century.

Reports of the Chairman of the Islamic Solidarity Fund.

Combating immorality.

Report and Recommendations of the 11th Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs.

All the items of the agenda were discussed paragraph by paragraph after hearing the special presentation made by H.E. Mr. Bakary Drame, the Assistant Secretary General for Cultural and Social Affairs.

Members of the Committee also examined the items one by one, in a spirit of Islamic brotherhood, understanding and friendship. The Committee also reviewed the draft resolutions submitted by some delegations and those which have been dealt with through the constructive discussions that took place in the course of the meeting.

All the resolutions annexed to this report were adopted.

The Committee further reviewed the important annual report dealing with the activities of the Islamic Solidarity Fund in the human, social and cultural fields. The Committee listened

with considerable interest to the presentation made by H.E. Ambassador Abbas Faek Ghazzawi, the Chairman of the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund.

At the conclusion of the Committee's activities, H.E. Ambassador Ghaleb Aly Jamil paid tribute to all the members of the Committee for their brotherly spirit during the consideration of the items on the agenda, thus contributing to the success of the work of the Committee and the adoption of positive and constructive recommendations.

The representative of Uganda then asked for the floor to express the appreciation of all the members of the Committee of the exceptional ability with which its Chairman conducted the meetings and the wisdom with which he conducted the discussions.

Taking the floor after him, was the delegate of the Republic of Tunisia, who seconded the words of praise expressed by the delegate of Uganda to the Chairman of the Committee. He then paid tribute to the great and positive efforts exerted by H.E. Mr. Bakary Drame during the years in which he held the post of Assistant Secretary General for Cultural and Social Affairs and for the Islamic Solidarity Fund. He also commended his moral virtue his devotion and dedication in the service of Islamic issues, as well as a large number of Islamic Institutions and Universities, which all gained his personal attention during the first stages of their inception.

This was endorsed by the representatives of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the State of Kuwait, the Kingdom of Morocco, the Republic of Senegal, and the United Arab Emirates, as well as the Director of the Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture, and the Chairman of the Committee in his capacity as representative of the Yemen Arab Republic. H.E. Mr. Bakary Drame, took the floor and expressed deep appreciation for the kind words of thanks addressed to him by the members of the Committee. He went on to voice his gratitude, and satisfaction at the spirit of cooperation, understanding and brotherly relations that always prevailed at all the Islamic meetings in which he had participated, with a view to serving Islamic culture and noble objectives of the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

The delegates finally lauded the efforts exerted by the General Secretariat in preparing documents and explanatory notes relevant to this Committee's work. They commended the additional explanations offered by H.E. the Assistant Secretary General, Mr. Bakary Drame, whenever an issue was to be considered.

Rapporteur
Dr. mahmoud Abdou Al-Zuhair
Delegation of Mali.

RESOLUTIONS ON CULTURAL AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

RESOLUTION NO.1/15-C

ON THE ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY IN NIGER

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the previous Islamic Conferences and particularly those of the Third and Fourth Islamic Summit affirming the pledge of the Muslim Ummah to mobilize all the human and material resources necessary for the implementation of the Higher Islamic University project,

Reaffirming the resolution of the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Dhaka, People's Republic of Bangladesh, in December 1983,

Noting with satisfaction the completion and construction work on the Faculty of Islamic Studies and Arabic Language Project as well as the contacts made by the Secretariat with Islamic Universities and member States to secure all necessary means with a view to opening this Faculty in November 1984,

Having taken cognizance of the explanatory note submitted by the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference on the Islamic University in Niger,

Acknowledging that the university is in urgent need of contribution from the Islamic Solidarity Fund in order to meet the operating expenses of the Faculty, to purchase the required language laboratories and to proceed to the execution of the other branches of the project,

1. Expresses its satisfaction to the General Secretariat, the Government of Niger as well as to the Governments of other Member States at the measures taken for the completion of construction work on the Faculty of Arabic language and Islamic Studies project;

2. Expresses its thanks and appreciation to the Governments of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Republic of Iraq, the Republic of Indonesia, the State of Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the People's Republic of Bangladesh, the Kingdom of Morocco, the Republic of Senegal, the Republic of Djibouti, the Republic of Guinea and the Republic of Tunisia for their donations to the projects, and calls upon the other States to back up the project through making similar contributions;

3. Also expresses its thanks to the Secretary General for his untiring and considerable efforts to implement the Niger Islamic University Project;

4. Reaffirms the commitment of the previous Islamic Conferences to mobilize all human and material resources necessary for the implementation of this University project according to plan;

5. Approves the Statute of the Islamic University in Niger;

6. Calls upon the Government of Niger and the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to proceed to the signing of the Headquarters' agreement;

7. Directs the Secretary General to step up his contacts with Member States, the Islamic Development Bank and other Islamic institutions, urging them to contribute to the material and human resources needed to set off the project of the Faculty of Arabic Language and Islamic Studies;

8. Calls upon the Islamic Solidarity Fund to continue its assistance with a view to:

Meeting the operating expenses of the Faculty of Arabic language and Islamic Studies as well as the acquisition of the necessary language laboratories;
Following up the implementation of the other the project;

9. Appeals to Member States and Islamic University to provide the Islamic University in Niger with technical and material support, especially with regard to teaching staff, researchers and scholarships;

10. Approves the appointment of the following candidates nominated by the Government of Niger and the OIC Secretary General, and University Board of Trustees:

1. Al-Haj Omar Ismail,
Chairman of the Islamic Association in Niger.
2. Dr. Abdou Hamani,
Rector of the Niamey University;
3. Wassalak Bukari,
Chief of the Cabinet of the Prime Minister (Niger)
4. Abdel Rahman Malan Hama,
Director of Cultural Affairs at the Foreign Ministry (Niger).
5. Dr. Abdullah Ibn Abdel Mohsen Al-Turki,
Rector of the Islamic Mohammad Ibn Saud University (Saudi Arabia)
6. Sheikh Mohammad Nasser Al-Hamdan,
Under Secretary General of the Ministry of Awaqf and Islamic Affairs in Kuwait.
7. Dr. Siddik Tauti,
Adviser to the President of the Islamic Development Bank;
8. Dr. Arifin Suheimy,
Deputy Director of the Islamic International University in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

RESOLUTION NO.2/15-C

ON THE ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY IN UGANDA

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling the provisions of the previous Islamic resolutions, especially Resolution No.8/14-C of the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and Resolution No.9/4-C (IS) of the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference on the Islamic University in Uganda,

Having reviewed the report prepared by the Joint Committee composed of representatives of the Government of the Republic of Uganda and the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and the report of the Expert Group assigned by the General Secretariat for this purpose,

Taking cognizance of the recommendations of the Eleventh Session for the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs,

Having reviewed the explanatory note submitted by the General Secretariat on the subject,

1.Expresses its satisfaction at the progress achieved by the project, and extends its thanks to the Government of the Republic of Uganda for its cooperation with the General Secretariat on this matter, and for the assistance and support extended to the Islamic University project;

2.Approves the report prepared by the Joint Committee of the Islamic University submitted by the General Secretariat and the Experts Group;

3.Appeals to all Member States to increase their financial and moral support in order to expedite the implementation of the project;

4.Expresses its satisfaction at the cooperation of the Government of Uganda and the Libyan-Ugandan Arab Bank with a view to recovering University funds in full and in US Dollars as originally deposited;

5.Approves the draft statute of the Islamic University of Uganda submitted by the OIC General Secretariat;

6.Entrusts the General Secretariat with the task of pursuing coordination of efforts with a view to implementing the first phase of the Islamic University of Uganda project.

RESOLUTION NO.3/15-C

ON THE INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY IN MALAYSIA

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling resolution No.10/4-CS of the Fourth Islamic Summit on the establishment of an International Islamic University in Malaysia, calling for OIC support for and promotion of that University, and inviting OIC Member States to support it and contribute to its development,

Taking due account of the recommendations of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs at its Eleventh Session,

Taking cognizance of the explanatory note submitted by the General Secretariat on the International Islamic University in Malaysia,

1.Requests that the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, its Member States and the bodies stemming from it commit themselves to contributing to the progress and development of the University;

2.Urges all member States and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to provide their material support to the University Endowment Fund and sustain its operational capacity so as to enable I to achieve the goals for which it has been established;

3.Calls upon the Islamic Solidarity Fund and all specialized agencies and institutes emanating from the Organization of the Islamic conference to provide moral and material assistance to the University to enable it to achieve its noble objectives;

4.Commends the great efforts exerted by the Government of Malaysia in the interest of the youths of the Islamic States in particular and the Islamic world in general;

5.Extends sincere thanks and appreciation to His Excellency King Fahd ibn Abdul Aziz and His Majesty King Hussein as well as the State of Kuwait and the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya for the assistance and generous contributions they offered to the University.

RESOLUTION NO.4/15-C

ON THE ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY IN BANGLADESH

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling resolution No.10/14-C of the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and Resolution No.11/4-C (IS) of the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference on the Islamic University in Bangladesh,

Conscious of the great need to establish this University as an Institute distinguished for Islamic learning and other modern research and studies in this important part of the world,

Appreciating the initiative of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the steps it has actually taken to establish that University,

Taking note of the progress so far achieved in the works pertaining to the establishment of the University, and of the fact that its first academic year is due to take place in December 1984,

Also putting on record its deep appreciation of the contributions of the Republic of Iraq, the State of Kuwait, the Tunisian Republic and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to the initial financing requirements of the project,

1.Recommends that necessary aid be given to the University project and its programmes;

2.Requests the Islamic Solidarity Fund and all specialized OIC Institutions and agencies to provide the Government of Bangladesh with all adequate material and technical assistance to enable it to carry out this project in the shortest possible time;

3.Urges all member States to provide suitable technical assistance and donations so as to enable the University to attain its lofty objectives for which it has been established;

4.Requests the OIC General Secretariat to pursue contacts with the People's Republic of Bangladesh to follow up the progress achieved in the implementation of the project;

5.Charges the General Secretariat to seek technical aid from Arab and Islamic Universities, with the purpose of providing the University with teachers, books and scholarships.

6.Expresses its appreciation and gratitude to the government of the Republic of Iraq, the State of Kuwait and the Tunisian Republic for the aid they offered for the University project.

RESOLUTION NO.5/15-C

ON AL-ZEITOUNA FACULY OF SHARIA AND TEHOLOGY IN TUNIS

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Commending the efforts being exerted by the Government of the Tunisian Republic with a view to supporting and modernizing Al-Zeitouna Faculty in Tunis,

Taking cognizance of the recommendations of the Eleventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs,

1.Expresses its thanks to all Member States who made financial contribution for the new building of the Faculty, as well as to the General Secretariat for the interest it showed in the project and to the Islamic Solidarity Fund for its continued support thereof,

2.Appeals to all Member States and specialized Islamic Cultural Institutions to kindly extend their moral and financial support to this important historical institution;

3.Calls upon the General Secretariat and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to continue their commendable support to this important Islamic project.

4.Further requests the Secretary General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to actively follow up the implementation of this project and submit a report thereon to the 16th Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

RESOLUTION NO.6/15-C

ON THE REGIONAL INSTITUTE FOR COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION (RICE) IN PAKISTAN

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling resolutions 4/10-C, 15/11-C, 18/12-C, 10/13-C, 15/14-C and 16/4-C (IS) adopted by the Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Islamic Conferences and the 4th Islamic Summit respectively on the teaching of Arabic language and the spread of Islamic culture,

Considering that the 14th Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers approved the project report on the establishment of the Regional Institute for Complementary Education in Pakistan,

Further considering that the 4th Islamic Summit Conference reaffirmed the importance of establishment of this Institute in propagation of Islamic culture on the recommendations of the Ministerial Committee on Information and Cultural Affairs,

1.Reiterates its commitment to the early establishment of the Institute in Pakistan, and to the promotion and dissemination of the Arabic language and Islamic culture in non-Arabic speaking countries of Asia.

2.Expresses its appreciation for the efforts made by the Government of Pakistan for the establishment of this Institute.

3.Urges member States, the Islamic Solidarity Fund and the World Federation of International Arabic Islamic Schools to contribute generously towards this project to ensure its early implementation.

RESOLUTION NO.7/15-C

ON THE REGIONAL INSTITUTE FOR ISLAMIC RESEARCH AND STUDIES IN TIMBUCTU, REPUBLIC OF MALI

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling the provisions of resolution No.12/14-C of the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, and Resolution No.13/4-C (IS) of the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference on the establishment of the Regional Institute for Islamic Research and Studies in Timbuctu, Republic of Mali,

Stressing the need to follow up the implementation of this important Islamic project,

Having reviewed the explanatory note submitted by the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference:

Commends the efforts exerted by the Government of the Republic of Mali to start the implementation of the first part of the first phase of this project.

Urges all Member States to respond positively to the contents of the resolutions of the previous Summit Conferences by extending moral and material support to the Government of the Republic of Mali for the implementation of the other remaining phases of the project.

Again requests the General Secretariat and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to continue their cooperation with the Government of the Republic of Mali for the implementation of the project in view of its historical and Islamic importance.

Expresses its thanks and appreciation to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Republic of Iraq, the Republic of Indonesia and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for their contributions.

RESOLUTION NO.8/15-C

ON THE ISLAMIC INSTITUTE FOR TRANSLATION IN KHARTOUM

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Referring to the resolutions of the previous Islamic Conference on the Islamic Institute for Translation in Khartoum,

Taking cognizance of the explanatory note submitted by the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference,

Commending the important role played by the Islamic Solidarity Fund in its bid to contribute to the initiation of proceedings to implement the project,

1. Requests the General Secretariat and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to take further practical steps, in coordination with the Government of the Democratic Republic of Sudan, for the implementation of this project.

2. Appeals to all Member States to exert all efforts, morally and materially, in implementing the project of the Islamic Institute for Translation in Khartoum.

3. Expresses its thanks and gratitude to the Governments of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for their generous donations in favour of the project.

4. Extends its thanks to the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the Islamic Solidarity Fund for their continued interest in the implementation of this project.

RESOLUTION NO.9/15-C

ON THE ISLAMIC EDUCATIONNAL SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling Resolution No.1/14-C and No.2/4-C-I.S. adopted by the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and the Fourth Islamic Summit respectively on the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Taking cognizance of the recommendations of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs at its Eleventh Session,

Having reviewed the programmes of the Organization and its activities through the documents contained in the explanatory note submitted by the General Secretariat,

1. Reaffirms all previous resolutions and recommendations particularly those adopted by the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference as well as the resolutions of the ISESCO Executive Council concerning the future plan of this specialized institution;

2. Commends the positive results achieved by ISESCO and requests this Organization to continue along the same lines in furtherance of its major objectives;

3. Urges all Member States to continue to provide moral and material support to ISESCO in order to enable it to carry on its noble principles in the service of Islam;

4. Urges all member States who have not yet done so, to complete the formalities of adherence to this Organization and to participate effectively in its projects and programmes.

RESOLUTION NO.10/15-C

ON THE RESEARCH CENTRE FOR ISLAMIC HISTORY, ARTS AND CULTURE IN ISTANBUL

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling Resolution No.13/14-C of the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, and Resolution No.4/4-C(I.S) of the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference on the Research Centre for Islamic History, Arts and Culture in Istanbul,

Having reviewed the report submitted by the Director General of the Centre on its activities and future plans,

Taking cognizance of the recommendations of the Eleventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs on the subject,

Having reviewed the explanatory note submitted by the General Secretariat on the Centre,

1. Commends the exemplary efforts of the Centre, which comprise continuous achievements and innovative studies in the field of research and publication, in addition to the studies and practical measures undertaken by the Centre for the implementation of its action plan in spite of the fact that it did not receive the additional resources appealed for by previous Conferences;

2. Calls on the Organization of the Islamic Conference and Member States to consolidate the budget of the Centre, so as to ensure the publication of its research and the implementation of its project;

3. Requests the Member States which have not yet paid their contributions to the budget of the Centre, to do so, at their earliest convenience so as to enable the Centre to continue its activities and achieve the goals for which it has been instituted. It also invites them to make donations to the Centre for the development and expansion of its activities;

4. Approves the report comprising the cultural work plan of the Centre for 1984, and additional activities adopted by the Board of Directors of the Centre;

5. Expresses its thanks to the Government of Turkey for the moral and material support it has continuously given to the Centre, in particular its decision to grant it the Yaveran building, so as to enable the Centre to complete the preparations and fittings of its premises, needed for its various activities for the achievement of its goals;

6. Calls upon Member States, Islamic Organizations and personalities to make generous donations for the Centre to help it renovate and equip this building.

RESOLUTION NO.11/15-C

ON THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR PRESERVATION OF ISLAMIC CULTURAL HERITAGE

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling Resolution of previous Islamic Conferences particularly of the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference and the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, which reviewed the work of the Commission and welcomed the initiation of its activities under the chairmanship of HRH Prince Faisal bin Fahd bin Abdul Aziz

Recalling the resolution adopted by the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference requesting the Member States concerned with safeguarding historical cities and Islamic heritage to transmit the necessary information to the International Commission for the Preservation of Islamic Cultural Heritage,

Noting the recommendations of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs at its Eleventh Session in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia,

Having heard the statement of Mr. Amadou Mathar M.Bow, Director General of UNESCO, in which he launched an international appeal to safeguard the historical character of Sanaa,

Convinced that old Sanaa represents a number of Islamic values and constitutes an essential element of the cultural identity of the Muslim people of Yemen and an important part of the Islamic cultural heritage,

1. Endorses the measures taken by the International Commission for the Preservation of Islamic Cultural Heritage under HRH Prince Faisal bin Fahd for the implementation of its plan of action;
2. Expresses its appreciation and gratitude for His Majesty King Fahd bin Abdul Aziz who graciously donated an award within the ambit of the of the Commission for work on the preservation of Islamic heritage.
3. Calls upon the International Commission to continue to coordinate its activities with national plans for the preservation of Islamic heritage in Member States to ensure the harmonization of Islamic efforts;
4. Expresses its appreciation of the Yemeni Government for its urgent measures to preserve the city of Sanaa and its historical character and for its special attention to the safeguarding of the city;
5. Expresses its thanks to Mr. Amadou Mahtar M'Bow, Director General of UNESCO and UNESCO Secretariat for the advisory and technical assistance to survey projects and restoration and maintenance plans and urges them to continue their efforts in this respect;
6. Invites the International Community, and Islamic States in particular, to respond to the international appeal to safeguard Sanaa and to extend all material and technical assistance to achieve the objectives of the campaign;
7. Invites the International Commission for Preservation of Islamic Cultural Heritage to take all practical measures in order to preserve the Islamic cultural and civilizational heritage in the City of Sanaa;

8. Calls upon Member States to provide the Commission with information and documents relating to the preservation of Islamic heritage in their territories;

9. Calls on the International Commission for the Preservation of the Islamic Heritage to continue to coordinate its activities with the Organization of the Islamic Capitals.

RESOLUTION NO.12/15-C

ON THE RESTORATION AND MAINTENANCE OF DEMAK MOSQUE IN INDONESIA.

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling Resolution No.6/12-C adopted by the Twelfth Ministerial Conference held in Baghdad in 1981, Resolution No.6/13-C adopted by the Thirteenth Ministerial Conference held in Niamey in 1982, and Resolution No.4/14-C adopted by the Fourteenth Ministerial Conference held in Dhaka in 1983,

Reaffirming the contents of the afore-mentioned resolutions as regards the assistance required for the restoration of Demak Mosque.

Noting with appreciation the efforts made by the Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture in Istanbul to prepare the report and recommendations of the Experts Group which had prepared a technical document on the subject and an assessment of the assistance required for the restoration of the Demak Mosque,

Having taken note with appreciation the initiative and measures that were duly taken by the Government of the Republic of Indonesia with a view to preserving the Islamic heritage as regards the Demak Mosque thus providing ample evidence of its strong commitment to the Islamic Ummah in general, and to those Muslims living in Indonesia in particular,

Taking cognizance of the recommendations of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs at its Eleventh Session,

1. Appeals to Member States to provide the necessary support for the restoration of the Demak Mosque;
2. Calls upon the Islamic Solidarity Fund to cooperate with the Government of Indonesia in order to contribute to the restoration of the Demak Mosques as early as possible in keeping with the spirit of the relevant resolutions of the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference and the previous Ministerial Meetings;
3. Also calls upon the International Commission for the Islamic Heritage to give further and full attention to the restoration of the Demak Mosque in view of its historical importance and to take such measures as it may deem appropriate to assist implementing this project for the restoration of the said Mosque.

RESOLUTION NO.13/15-C

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR BANTU CIVILIZATION IN GABON

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling Resolution No.20/14-C of the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and Resolution No.18/4-C (IS) of the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference,

Having reviewed the report submitted by ISESCO on the meeting of the Second Session of the Board of Directors of the Centre;

Taking cognizance of the recommendations of the Eleventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs,

Having reviewed the explanatory note submitted by the General Secretariat of the organization of the Islamic Conference on the Centre,

1. Calls anew on the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to continue direct contacts with the competent authorities in the Republic of Gabon for the purpose of following up and supporting this project in the service of Islamic civilization on the African Continent;

2. Submits the report of the Assistant Director General of ISESCO to the next meeting of the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund for appropriate action, and to extend to the project the necessary assistance;

3. Appeals to Member States to extend the moral and material support needed for the implementation of this project;

4. Expresses thanks to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for its readiness to extend material and moral support to this project.

RESOLUTION NO.14/15-C

ON THE ISLAMIC CENTRE IN GUINEA BISSAU

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling the two resolutions Nos.13/14-C and 15/4-C (IS) adopted respectively by the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference on Islamic Centre in Guinea-Bissau,

Noting with satisfaction the positive steps taken by the Government of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau and the General Secretariat for the completion of the technical studies on the establishment of the Islamic Centre in Guinea-Bissau,

Emphasizing the need to implement and to give special priority to this project which has been included in the agendas of Islamic Commissions and Conferences for the past ten years or so,

Having taken cognizance of the recommendations of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs at its Eleventh Session,

1. Requests the General Secretariat and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to cooperate with the Government of Guinea-Bissau and to start implementing the first stage of the project (building the Mosque) as early as possible, in conformity with the previous resolutions;
2. Requests the Islamic Solidarity Fund to continue to support the project, and also requests the General Secretariat to transfer the funds allocated for this project to the Government of Guinea-Bissau, so as to enable it to start implementing the project;
3. Appeals to Member States to contribute to the raising of funds for the financing of the whole project, considering its importance to the Muslims of Guinea-Bissau;
4. Expresses the hope that one or more Member States, in a position to do so, will sponsor the implementation of some of the phases of this project;
5. Expresses thanks to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for its donation and support to this project.

RESOLUTION NO.15/15-C

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ISLAMIC CULTURAL CENTRE IN MORONI, ISLAMIC FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF COMOROS

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Concerned over the expansion of the activities of Christian missionaries in Africa and particularly in the Indian Ocean Zone,

Aware of the necessity of counteracting these harmful activities,

Considering that the Islamic Federal Republic of Comoros is the stronghold of Islam in that zone,

Having taken cognizance of the File and Report submitted by the delegation of the Islamic Federal Republic of Comoros to the Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers,

Putting on record the progress of the project concerning the establishment of the Islamic Cultural Centre in Moroni,

1. Requests the Islamic Solidarity Fund and the specialized Islamic Organizations to start the necessary procedure with a view to moving on to the implementation phase of the project;
2. Urges member States and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to extend the necessary assistance for the implementation of this project;
3. Expresses thanks to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for its gift of 15,000 dollars which it has already offered for this project;

4. Entrusts the OIC General Secretariat with the task of following up the implementation of this resolution and submit a report to the Sixteenth Session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

RESOLUTION NO.16/15-C

ON THE FINANCING OF THE KING FAISAL MOSQUE AND ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ISLAMIC RELIGIOUS INSTITUTE IN NJAMENA, REPUBLIC OF CHAD.

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Referring to the report prepared by the Eleventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs,

Having reviewed the explanatory note of the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference on the wish expressed by the Government of Chad to establish and Islamic Religious Institute in Njamena, and on bearing the expenses of King Faisal Mosque,

1. Welcomes the project;
2. Requests the General Secretariat to pursue its contacts with the competent authorities in the Republic of Chad and to send an experts Group there in order to conduct the technical studies related to the project prior to submitting them to the forthcoming sessions of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs;
3. Calls on Member States and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to extend the necessary financial support to restore and equip King Faisal Mosque in Njamena to enable it to fulfill its great Islamic mission and set proper conditions for receiving the faithful;
4. Expresses its thanks to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for the support provided to the project.

RESOLUTION NO.17/15-C

ON THE UNIFICATION OF THE BEGINNING OF LUNAR MONTHS AND ISLAMIC HOLIDAYS

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling the resolutions adopted by previous Islamic Conferences and particularly Resolution No.11/13-C adopted by the Thirteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers on the Unification of Lunar Months and Islamic Holidays,

Having taken cognizance of the recommendations adopted by the Eleventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs on the subject,

Having examined the Explanatory Note submitted by the General Secretariat, to which was attached the statement issued by the Committee on the unified Hijri Calendar, held in Ankara on 27 and 28 December, 1983,

1. Commends all the steps taken by the General Secretariat and the Committee on the Hijri Calendar for the unification of Islamic Holidays and the elaboration of a unified Hijri calendar for the Member States of the Organization of the Islamic Conference;
2. Appeals to all Member States to join the aforesaid Committee in order to achieve the fundamental objectives set forth in the resolutions adopted by the previous Islamic Conferences;
3. Calls upon Member States to avail themselves of the proposed Hijri calendar drawn up by the Calendar drawn up by the Calendar Committee and distributed in Member States in their efforts.

RESOLUTION NO.18/15-C

ON THE ISLAMIC COMMITTEE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRESCENT

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Referring to the two resolutions Nos.6/14-C and 7/4-C(IS) adopted respectively by the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference on the Islamic Commission of the International Crescent,

Having taken cognizance of the recommendations adopted by the Eleventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs on the subject,

Having examined the Explanatory Note submitted by the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference on the practical measures being taken by the Islamic Committee of the International Crescent towards the exercise of its functions,

Aware of the urgent and intensified humanitarian efforts that some areas of the Islamic world generally need in the fields of relief and social care to face the conditions of natural and other disasters to which millions of our brothers are exposed,

Seeking to enable the Islamic Committee of the International Crescent to join effectively the international efforts exerted on a wide scale, by drawing up relief and social assistance programmes for the victims of persistent drought and desertification in a number of African Member States,

Having studied the two reports adopted by the Second and Third Meetings of the Islamic Committee of the International Crescent, held respectively in Jeddah on 18 and 19 Shaban 1404H (19-20 May 1984) and in Ankara on 18 and 19 Safar 1405H (10-11 November 1984),

1. Urges all Member States to sign the constituent Agreement of the aforesaid Committee so as to enable it to start its work and achieve the noble objectives and goals for which it has been established;

2. Calls upon all Member States to foster the efforts of the Islamic Committee of the International Crescent during its constituent stage and to extend to it the necessary financial and moral support;
3. Endorses the programme and plan of work of the Islamic Committee of the International Crescent during its constituent stage;
4. Expresses its thanks and appreciation for the continued support given by the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to the Islamic Committee of the International Crescent at its present constituent stage.

RESOLUTION NO.19/15-C

ON THE SPORTS FEDERATION OF ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling Resolution No.5/14-C of the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and resolution No.6/4-C(IS) of the Fourth Islamic Summit Conference on the Sports Federation of Islamic Solidarity,

Noting with satisfaction the sincere efforts of the General Presidency of Youth Welfare in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the General Secretariat of the OIC in making suitable arrangements for the convening of the General Constituent Conference of the Federation,

Having reviewed the recommendations of the Eleventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs on the subject,

1. Emphasizes the need for the General Secretariat to further coordinate its efforts with the host country with a view to fixing the date of the General Constituent Conference as soon as possible;
2. Calls upon all Member States to participate in the activities of the Sports Federation of Islamic Solidarity, when established; and to urge their respective national committees to communicate the names of their representatives to the General Presidency of Youth Welfare, in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia or to the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and to advise both of them of their participation in the Constituent Conference due to be held in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia during the year 1985;
3. Also calls upon all Member States to extend their moral and material support to the Sports Federation of Islamic Solidarity so as to enable it to achieve the objectives for which it has been established.

RESOLUTION NO.20/15-C

ON INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Noting with appreciation the proposal submitted by the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for the establishment of an International Islamic Women's Organization,

Conscious of the growing determination among the Muslims all over the world to bring about Islamic revival by practically demonstrating to the rest of mankind that Islam is a system based on justice, peace and equality for all human beings,

Convinced that the lofty objective of Islamic revival can be achieved only with the full participation of Muslim women,

Taking note of the recommendations contained in the resolution No.22/14-C adopted by the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held at Dhaka in December, 1983,

1. Welcomes the offer of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to convene the first meeting of the Group of Experts in Islamabad in April, 1985;
2. Calls upon Member States to communicate to the General Secretariat their views and comments on the proposal of Pakistan by the end of March, 1985 so that they may be submitted to the meeting of the Committee of Experts;

RESOLUTION NO.21/15-C

ON EDUCATIONAL RECREATION IN THE SERVICE OF ISLAMIC SOCIETIES

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Having examined the explanatory note submitted by the delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on educational recreation in the service of Islamic societies,

Confirming the Islamic outlook regarding the recreational means available to society for the recovery of lost energy, mental and physical regeneration and the achievement of satisfaction and self-fulfillment,

Emphasizing the dangers of the spread of unethical means of recreation promoted and propagated by the enemies of Islam in Islamic societies with a view to disseminating vice among Muslim youth through audio-visual media,

1. Commissions the OIC General Secretariat to examine in collaboration with such experts and intellectuals from the Muslim world as it may deem appropriate, all the aspects of this subject including the possibility of setting up standing committees in Member States for this purpose;
2. Requests the General Secretariat to make a report on the findings of its studies to the Sixteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

RESOLUTION NO.22/15-C

ON THE WORLD EDUCATION OF INTERNATIONAL ARAB ISLAMIC SCHOOLS

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Having discussed the report presented by the world Federation of International Arab Islamic Schools on the Activities of the Federation and its affiliated institutions referred to in previous resolutions, which function within the framework of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, receive aid from it and carry out their activities under the supervision of the Secretariat and the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund,

Recalling the previous resolutions adopted by the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th Islamic Conferences of Foreign Ministers concerning support for the World Federation of International Arab Islamic Schools and its contribution to the establishment of institutes for the training of teachers of Arabic language and Islamic Religion of the Institute for Complementary Studies in Sudan, and a similar institute in Islamabad, Islamic Republic of Pakistan; the establishment of a fund to support International Arab Islamic Schools, and an appeal to be addressed to Member States and to the Islamic Solidarity Fund to continue their support for this fund, and to make pledges to this effect at a meeting to be held at every ordinary session,

1. Reaffirms the aforesaid resolutions and commends the project for compiling a register of local Arab Islamic Schools, all over the world, the project for giving scholarships and grants to the graduates of these schools who study at Al-Azhar Al-Sharif and the establishment of a Council for the supervision of examinations in local Arab Islamic Schools which will be entrusted with curriculum development and unification of the certificates awarded by these schools so as to facilitate the task of different universities in recognizing such certificates;
2. Requests Member States and their Governments to facilitate the task of the Federation in carrying out these projects and to give the Federation every possible assistance to this end;
3. Calls upon Member States to recognize certificates awarded by International Arab Islamic Schools and to admit the graduates of such schools to Islamic Universities in Member States so as to enable them to complete their higher education.

RESOLUTION NO.23/15-C

ON THE PREPARATION OF AN ISLAMIC REFERENCE BOOK, UNIFYING ISLAMIC EDUCATION CURRICULA, TO BE USED IN PREPARING BOOKS AND CURRICULA FOR THE VARIOUS STAGES OF EDUCATION

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Having noted the draft submitted by the delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on the preparation of an Islamic Reference Book to be used in preparing the Islamic Education Curricula for the various stages of education,

Noting the variety of sources and references used by Muslim Scholars in preparing the Curricula of Islamic Education sometimes contain unreliable information which distorts Islamic thought,

DECIDES:

1. To call on the OIC General Secretariat and the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to intensify their efforts to study the possibility of preparing a unified Islamic

Reference Book, as a source for Islamic education curricula based on sound Islamic principles, to be used in preparing books and educational methods at various stages of education;

2. To request the General Secretariat and the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to cooperate, in this connection, with all Islamic Educational Institutions and bodies, and to submit a report on the results of their study to the next (15th) Foreign Ministers Conference.

RESOLUTION NO.24/15-C

ON THE INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC LAW COMMISSION

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling resolution 21/14-C of the Fourteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers on this subject,

Noting with regret that the establishment of the International Islamic Law Commission has been considerably delayed,

Also noting with concern that the General Secretariat has not submitted the report mentioned in Resolution 21/14-C of the 14th Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers,

1. Urges all Member States to communicate their views and observations on the draft statute of the International Islamic Law Commission to the General Secretariat not later than 31st March 1985 so as to enable it to collect the views to be referred to the Group of Experts that will finalize the draft and submit it, through the Islamic Commission for Economic, Social and Cultural Affairs to the Sixteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers for adoption;

2. Requests the Secretary General to pursue the matter in order to obtain the views and suggestions of Member States on the draft statute of the Commission;

3. Directs the General Secretariat to convene at an early date another meeting of the Group of Experts, to study the comments received from the Member States and prepare the final draft statute of the International Islamic Law Commission;

4. Requests the Secretary General to submit a report on the subject to the 16th Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

RESOLUTION NO.25/15-C

ON THE PROHIBITION OF MORAL CORRUPTION

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling that in the Holy Quran it is ordained "let there arise out of you a band of people inviting to all that is good, enjoining what is right, and forbidding what is wrong".

Reaffirming that Islamic ethnics constitute one of the main attribute of the Muslim individual and the Muslim nation "verily have yet been the best among the nations, enjoining good deeds and forbidding evil doing";

Stressing the necessity of guiding the Islamic revival through which our Islamic peoples have expressed the need to apply Islam to all aspects of our daily lives,

Recognizing colonialist schemes which aim at spreading moral corruption such as obscenity and alcohol in some Islamic countries,

Aware of the importance of purifying the general atmosphere from incoming obnoxious habits, and practices which are contrary to Islamic morals and detrimental to the building up of Muslim Character,

Having reviewed resolution No.107 of the Thirty-eight (38) Session of the U.N. General Assembly on the prohibition of obscenity,

1. Affirms the deed for all Islamic countries, primarily, to constantly persist in checking any pattern of moral corruption;
2. Calls on Member States to intensify efforts and consolidate institutions which fight moral corruption if they exist, so that they may pursue their required mission, which is to enjoin good deeds and forbid evil doing.

RESOLUTION NO.26/15-C

ON DRAWING UP A PLAN FOR PRESENTING THE NATURAL SCIENCES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND THE HUMANITIES FROM THE ISLAMIC POINT OF VIEW

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Having noted the proposal submitted by the delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on the drawing up of a plan for presenting the natural, social and humanistic sciences from the Islamic point of view,

Drawing attention to the fact that the cultural trends in the Islamic world, past and present, derive from heterogeneous sources which result in cultural differences among Islamic countries as far as both sources and trends are concerned,

DECEDES:

1. To consider the possibility of linking all natural, social and humanistic sciences with Islam and the teachings of Islam; that all these sciences should be presented in our Islamic context so that the Islamic outlook on life, both in theory and practice, is unified;
2. To call on the General Secretariat to urge the scholars and intellectuals in the Islamic world to assess the present realities of the Islamic world; to present these sciences (natural, social and humanistic) in a new form; to lay down a practical plan for presenting all branches of knowledge in such a manner as to make them serve development purposes; to

prepare and develop pilot books and curricula; and to propose suitable ways of using them, including school books and audio-visual aids;

3. To direct the courses taught in both social and humanistic sciences towards building up the personality of the student, so that his ideas and natural trends at each stage of his development are well defined, and so that the right values are instilled in him for the benefit of both family and society;

4. To request the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to study this subject in the light of the foregoing ideas and to circulate a report thereon among Islamic States.

RESOLUTION NO.27/15-C

ON PROGRAMME OF THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY HIJRAH

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling the previous resolutions of the Islamic Foreign Ministers Conferences on the special programmes for making the beginning of the Fifteenth Century of Hijrah,

Recalling further that the period specified for such celebrations comes to an end at the close of the current year,

1. Expresses thanks and appreciation to the Islamic Solidarity Fund for the financial assistance offered in carrying out the international programmes;
2. Thanks all Member States, the General Secretariat, Islamic Organizations and Bodies, for their sincere efforts in carrying out both national and international programmes on the beginning of the Fifteenth Century of the Hijri;
3. Calls on the Islamic Solidarity Fund to offer more assistance for the publication of some of the books included in the official programme, particularly "Islam Today" a book in three parts:

Islam in Asia
Islam in Africa
Islam in Europe and America.

RESOLUTION NO.28/15-C

ON THE TEACHING OF THE SUBJECT "PALESTINE" (HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY) AS AN EDUCATIONAL CURRICULUM IN THE SCHOOLS OF THE ISLAMIC STATES

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Proceeding from the principles and objectives of the Charter of the Islamic Conference,

In compliance with all the previous Islamic Resolutions adopted in this regard,

Mindful of the importance of the vital and positive value of acquainting the Muslim generations with Palestine, its soil, its people, its rights and its sanctities and to avoid the continuous attempts at distorting the historical facts about the Arab and Islamic identity of the land and the Holy places of Palestine, Al-Quds Al-Sharif and particularly of Al-Aqsa Mosque,

Appreciating the just struggle waged by the Palestinian people together with the Arabs and Islamic Ummah to recover their inalienable national rights on the soil of their homeland Palestine,

Reaffirming its previous resolutions that stipulate the teaching of the (History and Geography) of Palestine among the educational curriculum in the schools of the Islamic Member States,

1. Endorses the note submitted by the Delegation of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia based on the recommendations of the Preparatory Meeting which was held at the seat of the General Secretariat on 13 Ramadan, 1404H (13 June, 1984),
2. Requests the Committee of Experts to prepare the curricula indicated within the general framework of the Islamic educational programme;
3. Requests the relevant Committees to take into consideration the age of students and their various levels, to try to simplify the history and geography course for the sake of efficiency, since quality is more important than quantity;
4. Requests the General Secretariat to take all the measures needed to prepare, and convene three experts' meetings;
5. Requests the General Secretariat to follow up the implementation of this resolution in coordination with the Palestine Liberation Organization and ISESCO, and submit a comprehensive progress report in this regard to both Al-Quds Committee and the next Islamic Conference;
6. Approves the programme amended by the competent authorities in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

RESOLUTION NO.29/15-C (A)

ON THE ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY FUND AND ITS ENDOWMENT

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Recalling Resolution 19/4-C(IS) adopted by the Fourth Islamic Summit on subsidizing the budget of the Islamic Solidarity Fund and its Endowment Fund,

Having been apprised of the report submitted by the Chairman of the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund on the Fund's activities,

Convinced of the need to consolidate the Islamic Solidarity Fund and enable it to perform its mission and realize the noble goals set forth in its Statute,

Convinced of the effective role being played by the Fund in financing the spiritual, cultural and social activities of the Organization of the Islamic Conference,

1. Approves the contents of the report submitted by the Chairman of the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund;
2. Agrees to hold a special session to announce donations by Member States to the Fund and its Endowment Fund;
3. Approves the closing Accounts for the financial year 1982/83 as well as the provisional budget of the Islamic Solidarity Fund for the financial year 1984/85;
4. Agrees to extend its thanks and appreciation to the Permanent Council and its Chairman, Ambassador Abbas Fayek Ghazawi for his distinguished services to the Fund and also to the Fund's executive organ;
5. Requests the Fund to give due and continuous attention to the promotion of institutions from the Organization of the Islamic Conference;
6. Also requests the Islamic Solidarity Fund to support major projects parallely with its other forms of assistance;
7. Expresses its deep gratitude for and appreciation to the countries that have made regular and generous contributions to the Fund to help it perform its noble mission in the service of the Islamic nation; and puts on record its satisfaction at the announcement made by the representative of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan;
8. Calls upon Member States who have already announced their contribution to the Endowment Fund at previous Ministerial meetings, to pay these contributions to enable the General Secretariat and the Permanent Council to invest the resources of the Endowment Fund;
9. Urges Member States to make regular contributions, each according to their means, to the budget and Waqf of the Islamic Solidarity Fund in implementation of the resolution adopted by the Fourth Islamic Summit held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, calls upon Member States to specify the amount of their annual contributions to the budget and Waqf of the Islamic Solidarity Fund;
10. Requests the General Secretariat and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to hold a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Islamic Solidarity Endowment Fund;
11. Expresses its thanks to the Islamic Solidarity Fund for its continuous support of the Palestine Liberation Organization and its subsidiary bodies and institutions.

RESOLUTION NO.29/15-C (B)

ON THE ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY FUND (THE AMERICAN ISLAMIC COLLEGE OF CHICAGO)

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Noting the position of the American Islamic College of Chicago in the report of the President of the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund,

1. Reaffirms the importance of the American Islamic College and the necessity to support it in order to achieve the objectives for which it was established;
2. Requests the Islamic Solidarity Fund to continue its support of the American Islamic College within its capabilities;
3. Appeals to all Member States to offer material and moral support to the American Islamic College to enable it to implement its educational programmes and support its Waqf;
4. Requests the General Secretariat to contact Islamic and Arab Universities as well as Islamic cultural institutes and organizations to provide the American Islamic College with professors, scholarships and Islamic references;
5. Calls upon the Islamic Solidarity Fund, the Board of Trustees of the American Islamic College and the Funding Committee, headed by H.E. Yacoub Al Ghanaim, Kuwaiti Minister of Education, to intensify efforts to guarantee the provision of the funds necessary for the Faculty's Waqf in order to achieve the financial independence and continuation of the College;
6. Requests the General Secretariat to study the possibility of transforming the College in future into a subsidiary organ of the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

RESOLUTION NO.30/15-C

ON THE ISLAMIC FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT (IFSTAD)

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Having noted the resolutions adopted by previous Islamic Conferences on IFSTAD,

Having taken cognizance with appreciation of the achievements of IFSTAD as submitted by the report of its Director General,

1. Requests all Member States to kindly give all support to IFSTAD in its actions including the contribution of their shares to the amount of US\$50 million approved by the Third Islamic Summit and the following Islamic Conferences of Foreign Ministers;
2. Expresses its thanks to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Republic of Turkey, the Republic of Indonesia, the Kingdom of Morocco, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, the Republic of Tunisia and the People's Republic of Bangladesh for their contributions to IFSTAD;
3. Approves the nominations of the names follow, submitted by the OIC Secretary General, for membership of the IFSTAD's Scientific Council;

Mr. Ismail Ozdeglar,

Minister of State, Republic of Turkey.

Mr. Abdullah Al Muti Sharafuddin,
Secretary General Science and Technology,
People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Dr. Ali Abdullah Al-Daffa,
Professor of Mathematics,
University of Petroleum and Minerals,
Dahran, Saudi Arabia.

4. Commends the concrete actions undertaken by IFSTAD for the fulfillment of its objectives.

RESOLUTION NO.31/15-C

ON THE ISLAMIC FIQH ACADEMY

The Fifteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Sanaa, Yemen Arab Republic, from 25 to 29 Rabiul Awal 1405H (18-22 December 1984),

Having heard the Report of the Secretary General of the Islamic Fiqh Academy on the development of this project and the results achieved by the Constituent Conference of the Academy,

Taking note of the steps taken with a view to enabling the Academy to carry out its tasks after its First Session held during Safar 1405H (November, 1984),

Expresses its appreciation of the progress hereto achieved by the Academy and calls on Member States to extend material and moral support to the Academy to enable it to realize its objectives.