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**Report of the Cultural and Social Affairs Committee**

Mr. Chairman,  
Distinguished Delegates,  
And dear brothers.

The Cultural and Social Affairs Committee of the 12th Session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers met under the Chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Anwar Mawlood Zaibaan, Deputy Minister of Auqaf and Religious Affairs of the Government of the Republic of Iraq. At its first session, held in the morning of Tuesday, the 2nd of June 1981 at 10.00 A.M. the Committee elected the following office bearers:

- i) H.E. Shaikh Ahmad Ali Al-Mubarak, of the delegation of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia - Vice Chairman.
- ii) H.E. Nouhoum Sidibe, Counsellor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and delegate of. Mali - Second Vice-Chairman.
- iii) Mr. Afzal Akbar Khan, of the delegation of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Rapporteur.

The Chairman welcomed the delegates to the meeting and, while assuring them of his full cooperation in bringing it to a successful and speedy conclusion, requested them not to waste too much time in un-necessary discussions and speeches as all the subjects on the Committee's Agenda had already been discussed and finalized in earlier meetings at various fora of the Islamic Conference.

The Committee held four sessions in all, two on the 2nd and two on the 3rd of June. It dealt with some 16 items on its Agenda and finalized its recommendations and comments on the same for being put up to the current session of the ICFM for adoption.

The meeting witnessed a great deal of interest and lively discussion on the part of the delegates of most of the items on its Agenda. Praise be to the Almighty, that all the final decisions and recommendations of this Committee have been adopted on the basis of complete identity of views, without any reservations on the part of any of the participants.

The Committee had the good fortune of listening to an exhaustive expose of the latest financial and budgetary position of the Islamic Solidarity Fund, delivered by the Chairman of the Permanent Council of the ISF, Dr. Ezzeddine Ibrahim. The Committee expressed its complete satisfaction with the activities of the ISF and paid glowing tributes to the sincerity and dedication with which Dr. Ezzeddine Ibrahim had discharged his duties as the Chairman of the Permanent Council of the ISF. The Committee accorded its approval to the budget and the Work Plan of the ISF for the forthcoming years as also to some of the proposed amendments to the Statute of the ISF.

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The Committee was informed in detail of various aspects of celebrations organized all over the world to mark the advent of the 15th Hijra century. The role of the Secretariat in organizing the programme of celebrations and serving as its focal point, as well as the generous allocations made by the Islamic Solidarity Fund for ensuring the success of this programme, were particularly highlighted and praised by the Committee.

Mr. Chairman, I would be failing in my duty if I do not mention in this short report the outstanding contribution made by H.E. Mr. Bakary Drame, the Assistant Secretary General of the Islamic Conference, to the deliberations of this Committee. His precise and well-planned introductory remarks on each of the items on the Agenda were the most important reason for the smooth manner in which the Committee was able to proceed with its work. He and his colleagues in the Secretariat General deserve our fullest gratitude in ensuring the speedy and successful conclusion of the proceedings of this Committee because of the hard work put in by them.

Before I end, Mr. Chairman, please allow me to convey to you on behalf of all the members of this Committee, our sincerest congratulations on the excellent and dignified manner in which you conducted the course of proceedings of our meeting.

Mr. Chairman,

The Resolutions of the Committee as finalized by the Secretariat after taking into account the trend of discussions in this Committee are under typing. I am told that the same will be ready for presentation and final adoption to the Plenary Session of this 12th Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers by the evening today.

( AFZAL AKBAR KHAN )  
Rapporteur

## **RESOLUTIONS ON THE CULTURAL, SOCIAL AND ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY FUND**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1/12-C**

## **THE ISLAMIC FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban 1401 H. ( I - 5 June, 1981);

Having reviewed the provisions of Resolution 8/11-C of the Eleventh Islamic Conference, which ratified the amended statute of the Islamic Foundation for Science, Technology and Development, and urged the General Secretariat to take the necessary measures to appoint the Director General of the Foundation and draw up its organizational structure;

Pursuant to the second substantive clause in this resolution which requests the General Secretariat to intensify contacts with the Member States so as to explain the objectives of the Foundation and urge those states to offer it their material and moral support;

Having taken note of resolution 5/3-C of the Third Islamic Conference which stressed the importance of the establishment of this Foundation, which will endeavour to encourage scientific studies and research and will frame an Islamic strategy to develop science and technology for the benefit of all Member States, with the aim of bringing about prosperity and a better life for man and society in the Islamic World;  
Pursuant to the two aforementioned resolutions on the completion of the executive measures for the establishment of this Foundation, and formation of its scientific advisory board;

Welcoming the practical measures adopted by the General Secretariat to enable the Foundation to assume the tasks assigned to it by its statutes, especially after the appointment of its President and the leasing of its office premises;

Reaffirming the pressing need for procuring the funds necessary to enable the Foundation to discharge its duties;

Decides:

1.To reaffirm the appeal made to the Member States to make the financial contributions to the Foundation ratified by previous Islamic Conference, amounting to 50 million dollars and to offer the technical aid required to bolster the activities of Foundation.

2.To approve the appointment of the following members of the scientific advisory board of the Foundation as proposed by the Secretary-General:

- (1) Abdel Wahab Beniny - Director of the Atomic Research Centre - Peoples Democratic Republic of Algeria.
- (2) Rector of AI-Mustansiriyah University Baghdad Republic of Iraq.
- (3) Dr. Muzaffar Bertoussa-Presidential Advisor on Scientific Affairs Islamic Republic of Iran.
- (4) Prof. Boikuni Director General of the National Atomic Research Institute - Jakarta - Republic of Indonesia.
- (5) Dr. Adnan Shehab Eddine - Director of the Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research -State of Kuwait.
- (6) Dr. Datu Amar Taib Mahmud - Chief Minister of Sarawak - Malaysia.
- (7) Abdou Mo 'meni - Rector of the University of Niamey - Republic of Niger.

(8) Dukri Ali Badr - Director of the Polytechnic Institute - Conakry - Revolutionary Republic of Guinea.

(9) Dr Zaffar Naim - Director of the Pakistani Institute for Nuclear Science and Technology - Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

(10) Zaki Diouf - Under Secretary for Scientific Research, Republic of Senegal.

(11) Dr. Reda Ebeid - Director of the Saudi National Centre for Science and Technology - Riyadh - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

(12) Dr. Turket Ozal - Deputy Premier - Republic of Turkey.

(13) Al - Sadek ben Juma'a - Minister of Transport - Republic of Tunisia.

(14) Dr. Ali Otiqa - Secretary General of the Organisation of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC).

Membership shall be for a period of three years. One third of the members shall be replaced once a year by new members, in accordance with Article V of the foundation Statute; and the Secretary General may replace any member who could not join this Board by another member from the same country.

3. To entrust the General Secretariat with the task of dispatching a delegation to the Member States to explain the present administrative and financial status of the Foundation, and to emphasize the need to consolidate the efforts of both the General Secretariat and the foundation in order to set it on the right course.

4. To express gratitude to the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia which pledged to donate the sum of 15 million dollars, and to the Government of the Republic of Indonesia for its pledge to make a material contribution to the Foundation in the near future.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2/12-C**

### **AMENDMENT OF THE STATUTES OF THE ISLAMIC ORGANISATION FOR EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401 H, (1-5 3 June 1981);

Recalling resolution 1/11-C adopted by the Eleventh Islamic Conference, approving the Statutes of the Islamic Organization for Education, Science and Culture, and requesting the General Secretariat and the host country to convene a constitutive conference to establish the Organization;

Considering the resolution adopted by the Third Islamic Summit Conference urging Member States to take the necessary measures whereby to establish the Organization to render it operational and ratify its Statutes;

Considering the memorandum of the General Secretariat, and the results of its contacts with the host country in order to convene a constitutive conference, and the difficulties encountered in this respect due to a delayed ratification of the statutes by the Member States;

Considering the pressing need to hold as soon as possible the aforementioned Constitutive Conference so that the host country would take the necessary measures whereby the Organization would become operational;

Pursuant to the recommendations made by the previous sessions of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs on the amendments proposed to the Statutes of the Organization;

Decides:

1-To approve the following:

(a) To amend Article VI of the Statutes of the Organization to read as follows:

"Each Member State of the Organization of the Islamic Conference shall become a member of the said Islamic Organization directly upon its approval of the Statute"; the rest of the article shall remain unchanged;

The new sentence replaces the following:

"Directly upon informing the General Secretariat of the Islamic Conference of their ratification of the Statute;

(b) To amend paragraph 3 of Article XXI of the Organization's Statutes to read as follows:

"This Statute shall become valid upon being signed by half the Member States of the Organization of the Islamic Conference"; the rest of the article shall remain un-changed;

The new sentence replaces the following:

"This Statute shall become valid upon being ratified by half the member States";

(c) To delete paragraph 5 of Article XXI of the Organization's Statutes; thus paragraph 6 shall become paragraph 5 of the same Article;

2- To urge the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco to coordinate its efforts with those of the General Secretariat and other Member States, with a view to convening by next autumn the constitutive conference of the Islamic Organization for Education, Science and Culture, and call upon Member States to sign the said Statutes while the Conference is in session.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 3/12-C**

#### **THE WORLD CENTRE FOR ISLAMIC EDUCATION**

The Twelfth 1818m1c Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401 H (1-5 June, 1981);

Recalling resolution No. 1/11-C adopted by the Eleventh Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers which ratified the Statutes of the World Centre for Islamic Education in Mecca Al-Mukarramah;

Welcoming the steps taken by the General Secretariat, in coordination with King Abdel Aziz University, to set up the administrative machinery of, and provide a site for the Centre;

Taking note of the recommendations of the Third International Conference on Islamic Education held at Dacca, Republic of Bangladesh, in Jamad Al-Awal 1401 H. (March, 1981);

Noting Article 5, paragraph 2 of the Statutes, concerning the membership of the Administrative Council of the Centre, at the recommendation of the Secretary General of the Organization

DECIDES:

1- To approve the appointment of the following members to the Administrative Council of the World Centre for Islamic Education at Makkah Al-Mukarramah:

- (1) H.E. Dr. Abdullah Omar Naseef
- (2) Sheikh Ahmed Salah Jamjoom
- (3) Dr. Sayed Hamed Hussein
- (4) Dr. Hussein Hamed Hussein
- (5) Dr Gholam Nabi Thaqib
- (6) Dr. Mohamed Gamil Khayyat
- (7) Dr. Ezzedine Ibrahim
- (8) Sheikh Mohamed Al Habib Libalkhojah
- (9) Dr. Alifa Omar Konari
- (10) Dr. Omar Jah
- (11) Dr. Mohamed Kamal Hassan
- (12) Dr. Raishid Rageh
- (13) Dr. Ekamalud Din Ihsan Oughlou
- (14) Dr. Ali Kattani
- (15) The Secretary-General of the Organisation of Islamic Conference or his Deputy

2- To request the General Secretariat to circulate the recommendations of the Third Islamic Conference on Islamic Education among Member States for utilization and guidance when preparing the curricula for its universities, institutes and schools.

#### **RESOLUTION No. 4/12-C**

#### **THE ISLAMIC COMMISSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRESCENT**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401H, (1-5 June, 1981);

Having reviewed the provisions of Resolution No. 4/11-C adopted by the Eleventh Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, approving the draft agreement establishing the Islamic Commission of the International Crescent was approved in principle;

Noting the recommendations made by the sixth and seventh sessions of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs on the setting up of a nine-member committee to finalize the draft agreement establishing the Islamic Commission of the International Crescent;

Pursuant to the relevant proposal made by the General Secretariat;

Decides:

1.To approve the setting up of a Committee composed of the following nine-member states of the Organization:

- (1) Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- (2) Hasemite Kingdom of Jordan
- (3) Repeblic of Mali
- (4) Federal Republic of Cameroun
- (5) State of Kuwait
- (6) Republic of Indonesia
- (7) Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
- (8) Republic of Turkey
- (9) Republic of Senegal

This Committee shall complete the procedures to establish the Islamic Commission of the International Crescent, and particularly undertake the following:

a)Finalize the draft Agreement establishing the Islamic Commission of the of the International Crescent, taking into consideration the amendment proposed by Member States;

b)Take the necessary measures in co-operation with the General Secretariat, the host country and all Member States, for the preparation of Headquarters for the Commission, and the organisation of its work; and

c)Propose the Organisational Chart, basic administrative regulations and estimates for 1982-83 in respect of the Islamic Commission of the International Crescent;

2. Request the General Secretariat to submit a progress report to the Thirteenth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers on the work of the committee and all measures taken in this respect.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 5/12-C**

#### **THE RESEARCH CENTRE ON ISLAMIC HISTORY, ARTS AND CULTURE**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban 1401H (1-5 June, 1981);  
Recalling the relevant resolution of the Ninth Islamic Conference, which approved the statutes of the of the Research Centre on Is1amic History, Art and Culture was endorsed;  
Having considered Article III paragraph b, of the afore-mentioned Statutes;  
Taking note or the programme of action proposed by the Director of the Centre;  
Noting with satisfaction the measures taken to have the agreement establishing the Centre in Istanbul signed by the Turkish Government and the General Secretariat;  
Decides:

1-To amend Article III, 1, (b) on the Constitution of the Administrative Council to read as follows:

“ (b) The Council shall be composed of ten members, including Historians, Scholars and Writers, to be appointed by the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers at the proposal of the Secretary General, for three years and on the basis of geographical distribution. The Council shall also include a Director of the Centre and a representative of the Secretary General”,



And to delete the rest of the paragraph.

2-To approve the proposal of the Secretary-General to compose an administrative Council for the Centre of the following members:

- (1) Dr. Ahmad Abdul Sattar Al-Jawari, renowned scholar; Republic of Iraq;
- (2) Raja Fauziab Binti Raja Tunuda, Malaysia;
- (3) Dr. Mahmoud Zubair, Director of Ahmed Baba Islamic Centre in Timbuctu ,Republic of Mali;
- (4) Dr. Muhazrnad Al-Sagalmasy, a renowned scholar and expert in Islamic arts Kingdom of Morocco;
- (5) Dr. Zaki Ankawi, Director of the Haj Research Centre at King Abdul Aziz University, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia;
- (6) Mr. Afif Bahmasy, Director of Museums and Archeology, Syrian Arab Republic;
- (7) Mr. Saleh Al-Mahdi, Scholar and Director of the Cultural National Committee, Republic of Tunisia,
- (8) Dr. Amin Balhajj, Professor, College of Languages, History and Geography, Ankara University, Republic of Turkey;
- (9) A member from the Islamic Republic of Iran to be selected at a later date;
- (10) Engineer Abdul Kader Hamza Koshek, Secretary General of Islamic Capitals Organization.

3-To request the General Secretariat to refer the proposed action plan to the Administrative Council for consideration at its next meeting;

4-To express thanks to the Turkish Government for signing the Agreement establishing the Centre in Istanbul.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 6/12-C**

#### **THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON ISLAMIC HERITAGE AND THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL CITIES**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 298 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401 H (1-5 June, 1981);

Reaffirming the importance of the resolutions adopted by the Tenth and Eleventh Islamic Conference on the setting up of the International Commission on Islamic Heritage and the preservation of Historical cities in some Member States:

Noting the Experts Committee report and the practical plan proposed for the International Commission on Islamic heritage;

Having reviewed the General Secretariat's proposal on the amendment of Article 5 of the Statutes of the International Commission on Islamic Heritage,

Reaffirming the need for Member States who wish to preserve their historical Islamic cities to respond to the General Secretariat's efforts to co-ordinate their programmes and national plans with the activities and interests of the International Commission on Islamic Heritage; Considering effort exerted and importance given by the Organization of Islamic Capitals to the preservation of the Islamic heritage in historical Islamic cities,

Commending the detailed studies and plans submitted by the Republic of Tunisia to preserve the city of Kairawan;

Noting the measures taken by the relevant authorities in the Republic of Indonesia to preserve the historical city of DIMAK.

DECIDES:

1. To refer the practical plan proposed by the International Commission for study by this Committee, in light of comments and observations to be made by Member States,
2. To approve the proposed amendments to the statutes of the International Commission for Islamic Heritage, with a view to coordinating its efforts and activities with the Research Centre on Islamic History, arts and culture, to avoid a duplication of their functions.
3. To urge Member States wishing to preserve their historical cities and Islamic Heritage to supply the General Secretariat with the necessary data and information, so that it may follow up the implementation of the resolutions adopted by the Tenth and Eleventh Islamic Conferences;
4. To urge Member States and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to provide the required financial assistance to preserve historical cities in the Republic of Tunisia, the Kingdom of Morocco, the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, the Republic of Mali, the Republic of Niger, the Republic of Indonesia, and other Islamic cities;
5. To request the General Secretariat to contact the Organization of Islamic Capitals with a view to referring its part of the entirety of the question of preserving Islamic historical cities, and to prepare a detailed report in this regard;
6. To invite the International Commission on Islamic Heritage and the Organization of Islamic Capitals to prepare a plan determining priorities for the preservation of historical Islamic cities and to submit specific proposals in this respect to the General Secretariat;
7. To commend the efforts exerted the Tunisian government to preserve its Islamic monuments and heritage, express its support for this plan and also commend the Islamic states, that contributed to the efforts exerted by Tunisia, to preserve the Islamic states, that contributed to the efforts exerted by the Republic of Tunisia, to preserve the Islamic landmarks at Kairawan.

#### **RESOLUTION NO .7/12-C**

#### **ON THE TEACHING OF ARABIC LANGUAGE AND PROMULGATING ISLAMIC CULTURE IN NON-ARABIC SPEAKING MEMBER STATES**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers meeting in its Twelfth Ordinary Session in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban 1401H (1-5 June, 1981);

Noting with considerable interest the response of some non-Arabic speaking Member States to the resolutions of previous Islamic Conferences on the teaching of the Arabic language and the promulgation of Islamic Culture in their schools, institutes and universities;

Expressing its gratitude and great satisfaction at the material and moral support given by some Arab Member States to fulfill the objectives of the aforesaid resolutions;

Having reviewed the detailed memorandum prepared by the General Secretariat on the coordination of the efforts exerted by the Member States interested in the matter;

Calling upon the other Member States to contribute positively to the efforts exerted by the General Secretariat to give a new momentum and wider dimensions to the project when following up the implementation of the resolutions adopted in this session;

Commending the Indonesian Government's plan for improving and enlarging its centers, which teach the Arabic language;

Noting with satisfaction the decision of the government of the Democratic Republic of Somalia to implement a comprehensive "Arabization" plans at its various departments and institutions;

Appreciating the material and technical difficulties faced by the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference in providing the necessary funds in its annual budget to cover its contribution to the International Islamic Arabic Schools Fund.

Decides:

**1-** To call upon those Member States which have material and moral potentials to meet the needs of other Member States that have expressed readiness to include the teaching of the Arabic language and the promulgation of Islamic culture in their educational programmes, and to use all possible means to encourage those countries to lay down a 3 to 5 year educational plan and curriculum, so that their needs in teachers, text-books and other educational aids may be determined and provided by one or more Member States, to guarantee better results at each phase of the plan;

**2-** To request the Islamic Solidarity Fund to study the possibility of allocating part of the appropriations earmarked for each purpose towards covering some of the expenses involved in the implementation of a specific programme or curriculum in any of the Member States that is unable to secure the needed appropriations;

**3-** To encourage any bilateral initiative concluded between any two member states for providing support or help to implement the resolutions adopted by Islamic Conferences on the teaching of Arabic and the promulgation of the Islamic culture, and request the two parties to forward to the General Secretariat any information or reports they deem useful, so that the Secretariat may follow-up the work and make use of such information in preparing its periodic or annual reports;

**4-** To ask the Indonesian Government to provide the General Secretariat, whenever appropriate, with detailed proposals, in order to secure the assistance from the Organisation of the Islamic Conference and its affiliate organs, as well as that of member states;

**5-** To call upon the Arab Member States, in particular, to extend material and technical support to the Democratic Republic of Somalia, so that it may implement its Plan of comprehensive Arabization at its various institutions and departments;

**6-** To invite Member States to assist the Republic of Gambia in completing the Islamic Institute there, and to submit this subject to the next session of Islamic Social, Cultural and Economic Affairs Committee;

**7-** To appeal to Member States to assign a number of Arabic language teachers to the Republic of Niger, Guinea-Bissau, the Republic of Senegal and the Republic of Mali to reinforce their Arabic language teaching programmes;

**8-** To request Member States to follow the example of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Republic of Iraq of providing the necessary assistance to Islamic groups in non-Islamic countries with the aim of pursuing their efforts in disseminating Islamic culture among its citizens and teaching Arabic – the language of the Holy Quran;

**9-** To renew the call to Member States and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to continue its assistance to the International Islamic Arabic Schools Fund in view of the positive and constructive role that it performs in the spread of Islamic culture throughout the world, in educating the Muslim children according to authentic Islamic values.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 8/12-C**

### **THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CALENDAR OF LUNAR MONTHS AND MUSLIM HOLIDAYS**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Affairs held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401H (1-5 June 1981);

Considering resolution No. 14/11-C adopted by the Eleventh Islamic Conference and the efforts made by the General Secretariat to follow-up its implementation and noting that no replies have been forthcoming to the General Secretariat concerning their views and observations on the matter;

Having examined the conclusions of the meeting of the Islamic Fiqh Academy, affiliated to the Muslim World League, and the third International Seminar on a uniform Hijri Calendar, held recently in Tunis;

Pursuant to the wish unanimously expressed by Member States to conduct further detailed studies on the issue, and the recommendation made by the Seventh Session of the Islamic committee for Economic, cultural and social Affairs;

**DECIDES:**

To request the General Secretariat to convene a meeting of a Committee composed of two members from each Member State of the Organisation - a Shariah Scholar and an Astronomer to make a comprehensive analytical study of a uniform Calendar of Lunar Months and Muslim Holidays, and to submit a report in this regard to the Thirteenth Islamic Conference.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 9/12-C**

### **THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO ISLAMIC UNIVERSITIES IN NIGER AND UGANDA**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq, from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban 1401 H (1-5 June 1981);

Recalling the resolutions adopted by previous Islamic Conferences on the project to establish two Islamic Universities in Niger and Uganda;

Having taken note of the third Summit Conference resolution emphasizing the follow-up of the implementation of the two projects;

Noting also the recommendations adopted by the sixth and seventh sessions of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs;

Acclaiming the measures taken by both the General Secretariat and the Government of the Republic of Niger with respect to the invitation of tenders and the choice of the company to be entrusted with the implementation of the first stage of the Islamic University project in Niger, whose cost has been fixed at \$ 65,000,000 and whose implementation period is set for 24 months as of October 1981;

Decides:

- 1- That the sum of \$ 65,000,000 needed for the implementation of the first stage of the establishment of an Islamic University in Niger be provided within the period fixed for completion, which is two years as of September 1981, and that Member States be requested to offer contributions to this effect.
- 2- That the Secretary General be requested to intensify his contacts both through visiting and sending missions to the member states to urge their material support for this project;
- 3- To urge the Islamic Solidarity Fund to continue to give the project necessary support, and to request it to increase the sums allocated for this project within its means in its annual budget;
- 4- To authorize the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund, the General Secretariat, with the participation of the competent authorities of Niger to sign a contract on the implementation of the first stage of the project;
- 5- To request that the Islamic Development Bank offers contributions from its charity-allocated money for the implementation of the first stage of this Islamic University project in Niger;
- 6- To express its gratitude and appreciation to the government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for contributing \$ 10,000,000 to the project of this University, and to appeal for continuing to offer such contribution.

7- To accept the clarifications presented by the representative of the government of Uganda regarding the present situation of the project in this country, and to promise to submit a comprehensive report on this to the General Secretariat in the near future;

8- To entrust the General Secretariat with maintaining the necessary contacts on the coordination of efforts with the Republic of Uganda, and to send a delegation to hold talks with Ugandan authorities on the preparation of a detailed report on the subject for submission to the 13th Session of the Islamic Conference.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 10/12-C**

#### **THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ZAYTOUNEYA FACULTY AND THE SUPREME COUNCIL FOR ISLAMIC STUDIES IN TUNIS**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq, from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 140H (1-5 June, 1981);

Considering the memorandum of the General Secretariat on the project for the establishment of the new Zaytouneya Faculty and the supreme Council for Islamic Studies;

Paying tribute to the financial assistance extended by the Islamic Solidarity Fund in its thirteenth, sixteenth and eighteenth sessions;

Commending the scientific and historical position of this Faculty and its prominent role in propagating Islamic Culture and Science;

Decides:

1. To ratify the recommendations of the Seventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs which was held in Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia, from 24-27 Jumad Al-Awwal 401H (March 30 – April 1, 1981);
2. To express thanks to the Tunisian Government for introducing this Islamic project for the dissemination of the Islamic culture in Tunisia and in Africa;
3. To commend this Islamic Project;
4. To call on member states of the Organization of the Islamic Conference and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to continue supporting this project;
5. To follow up, maintain interest in, and support this project by all means.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 11/12-C**

#### **THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ISLAMIC CENTRE IN GUINEA-BISSAU**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401H (1-5 June, 1981);

Noting with great interest the concern shown by the General Secretariat and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau as regards the establishment by stages of an Islamic Centre according to available financial resources;

Considering the explanatory note submitted by the General Secretariat on the measures taken, in cooperation and coordination with the relevant authorities in the host country, to guarantee the implementation of the project by stages;

Noting the recommendations made by the Seventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs in this respect;

Decides:

1- To request the General Secretariat to pursue its contacts with the Government of the Republic of Guinea - Bissau as regards the implementation of the project by stages, starting with the construction of the mosque, upon agreement between the General Secretariat and the Government of Guinea - Bissau.

2- To urge the Islamic Solidarity Fund and all Member States to donate generously for the benefit of this project.

3- To express thanks to the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for its donations to the project, and to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for its announcement to donate ten thousand dollars for the construction of the Islamic Centre.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 12/12-C**

#### **THE AHMAD BABA CENTRE AT TIMBUKTU, MALI**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401 H (1-5 June, 1981);

Reaffirming resolution No. 7/10-C urging member States and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to uphold the efforts exerted by the Government of the Republic of Mali to turn the Ahmad Baba Centre, at Timbuktu, into a regional institute for Islamic research and studies;

Recalling resolution No. 4/3-C/(IS) adopted by the Third Islamic Summit Conference reaffirming the commitment of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference to provide the necessary support therefore;

Considering the recommendations made by the seventh session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs

DECIDES:

1- To follow-up the implementation of the project of turning the Ahmad Baba Centre, at Timbuktu into a Regional Institute for Islamic Research; and to urge member states, in general, and neighbouring African states in particular, to extend material and moral support to the Government of the Republic of Mali to implement this project;

2- To request the General Secretariat and the permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity fund to cooperate with the Government of the Republic of Mali with a view to completing the technical studies for the project and providing the needed support;

3- To express its thanks to the Republic of Iraq and the Islamic Solidarity Fund for the Aid given to the Government of Mali for the implementation of this project.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 13/12-C**

#### **THE ISLAMIC INSTITUTE FOR TRANSLATION IN KHARTOUM**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401 H (1-5 June, 1981);

Recalling the resolution adopted by the Eleventh Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, requesting the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Sudan and the General Secretariat to draw up the Statutes and Budget for the various phases of establishing the Islamic Institute for Translation in Khartoum,

Having taken note of the steps taken by the Sudanese Government towards its implementation and its readiness to offer all the necessary services and facilities for the projects,

Having reviewed the draft statutes of the above mentioned Institute and the Budget for the implementation of all its phases,

Pursuant to the recommendations of the Seventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs,

DECIDES:

1- To approve in principle the Statutes of the Islamic Institute for Translation in Khartoum.

2- To invite the member states and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to give voluntary donations to cover the estimated budget to the different phases of establishing the Islamic Institute for Translation in Khartoum.

3- To request the General Secretariat and the Islamic Solidarity Fund to coordinate further with the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Sudan with a view to securing continuity in the efforts exerted to establish the Institute according to the planned phases of implementation.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 14/12-C**

#### **ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY GAMES FEDERATION**

The Twelfth Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban 1401 H (1-5 June, 1981);



Recalling resolution 17/11-C, adopted by the Eleventh Islamic Conference, which decided to organize periodical games among member states of the Organisation of the Islamic conference;

Noting resolution 7/3-C adopted by the Third Islamic Summit Conference, on the setting up of an appropriate organ to run these periodical games, recommending that the draft statute of the Islamic Solidarity Games Federation be circulated to all member states, and an ad hoc experts' committee set up to finalize the statute;

Having reviewed the report submitted by the aforementioned committee, and the final text of the draft statute of the Islamic Solidarity Games Foundation;

DECIDES:

1- To refer the draft statute of the Islamic Solidarity Games Federation to the competent authorities in the member states for their views and comments, to be communicated to the General Secretariat within four months;

2- To instruct the General Secretariat to prepare a detailed report on the answers it received from Member States for submission, together with the final text of the draft statute, to the Thirteenth Islamic Conference for final ratification.

3- To charge the General Secretariat to make necessary contact with the interested parties for the studying of the technical aspects of this project.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 15/12-C**

### **ON THE INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC LAW COMMISSION**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers meeting held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sh'aban 1401 H (1-5 June, 1981);

Recalling resolution No. 17/11-C on the International Islamic Law Commission adopted by the Eleventh Islamic Conference;

Having reviewed the recommendations made by the sixth and seventh sessions of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs on the establishment of a Committee of Experts to consider the matter;

Taking note of the wish expressed by the delegation of the Republic of Iraq to have the headquarters of the proposed International Islamic Law Commission in the Republic of Iraq;

Having examined the report of the afore-mentioned Experts' Committee, and the draft Statutes of the International Islamic Law Commission;

Decides:

1- To request the General Secretariat to communicate to Member States the draft Statutes for consideration, comments and proposals of amendments;

2- To request the General Secretariat to review such proposals and submit them to an enlarged committee of experts to finalize the draft Statutes of the International Islamic Law Commission, and to submit the draft Statutes after its revision to the Thirteenth Islamic Conference;

3- To welcome and accept the offer of the Republic of Iraq to host the Commission's headquarters.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 16/12-C**

#### **THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ISLAMIC FIQH ACADEMY**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq, from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban 1401 H (1-5 June, 1981);

Having reviewed with great interest the text of resolution 8/3-C, adopted by the Third Islamic Summit Conference, held at Mecca Al- Mukarramah from 19 to 22 Rabiul Awwal 1401 H (25 - 28 January 1981);

Noting the specially important role to be played by the Islamic Fiqh Academy in coping with developments and problems of contemporary life through Ijtihad and seeking guidance from the just religious tenets and the noble tradition of the Prophet, with the purpose of providing the genuine Islamic answers emanating from the everlasting Islamic intellectual sources;

Endorsing the practical steps taken by the General Secretariat towards the implementation of the above-mentioned resolution of the Islamic Summit Conference,

Having taken note of the report submitted by the Committee of Experts and the draft statute of the Islamic Fiqh Academy,  
Decides:

1- To approve in principle the framework and the outline of the draft Statute of the Islamic Fiqh Academy submitted by the aforementioned Committee of Experts.

2- To request the General Secretariat to circulate the draft statute to Member States in order to obtain their response within four months and afterwards convene a meeting of an enlarged committee in which participation shall be open to all Member States, to finalise the Draft Statute of this Academy and to complete the necessary procedures for its establishment, and afterwards to submit the draft Statutes to the thirteenth Islamic conference for adoption.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 17/12-C**

#### **CELEBRATIONS MARKING THE ADVENT OF THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY OF THE HIJRA**

The Twelfth Foreign Ministers' Conference meeting in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq, from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401 H (corresponding to 1-5 June, 1981);

Recalling resolutions of Islamic Foreign Ministers' Conferences on the official programme of international and national celebrations on this occasion;

Expressing its satisfaction at the response from those States who elaborated and who endeavour to implement programmes appropriate to the historical and cultural significance of the occasion;

Noting with satisfaction the measures taken by the Secretariat in implementation of this programme;

Decides:

1- To urge Member States to devote greater attention to the implementation of national programmes and to employ the occasion of the celebrations marking the advent of the Fifteenth Century of the Hijra to promote Islamic teachings at all levels.

2- To urge the Secretariat to speed the implementation of its programme of producing books on Islam dealing with the issues of interest to the Islamic World, as well as a programme of Islamic films;

3- To express its thanks to and appreciation of the Islamic Solidarity Fund for its budgetary allocations for the programmes of celebrations marking the advent of the Fifteenth Century of the Hijra, and requests the Fund to continue to support those programmes, in the light of the progress made and as the Fund's resources allow;

4- To include an exhibition for Arabic Islamic Calligraphy in Kuwait, as part of the official international programmes;

5- To request the Member States to supply the Secretariat with reports on the activities of their national programmes, with a view to including in the booklet which it intends to issue during the national programmes of celebrations marking the advent of the Fifteenth Century of the Hijra;

6- To express satisfaction with the practical measures taken by the General Secretariat.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 18/12-C**

#### **THE INSTITUTE FOR COMPLEMENTARY STUDIES IN PAKISTAN**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban, 1401H. (1-5 June, 1981);

Recalling resolutions 4/20-C and 15/11-C adopted by the Tenth and eleventh Islamic conferences on the establishment of an Institute for complementary Studies in the Islamic republic of Pakistan;

Considering the recommendations made by the Seventh Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs requesting the Government of Pakistan to prepare a working paper that includes its views and proposals on the establishment of the aforementioned Institute and submits it to the General Secretariat;

Pursuant to the explanations given by the delegation of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan concerning the measures it had taken to prepare a detailed report on the establishment of the afore-mentioned Institute;

Decides:

“ To request the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to submit its study on the establishment of an Institute for Complementary Studies in Pakistan to the General Secretariat, so that the latter may examine it and take the necessary measures whereby to submit it to the Sessions of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs, which in turn will make the appropriate recommendations thereon for submission to the Thirteenth Islamic Conference ”.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 19/12-E**

#### **THE ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY FUND**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Baghdad, Republic of Iraq from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban 1401 H (1-5 June, 1981);  
Noting the report on the activities of the Islamic Solidarity Fund submitted by the Chairman of the Permanent Board of the Fund;

Convinced of the need to support the Islamic Solidarity Fund to enable it to fulfill the task for which it was established and to realize the noble objectives specified in its statute;

Aware of the effective role of the Fund in financing the spiritual, cultural and social activities of the Organization of the Islamic Conference;

Recalling the resolution adopted by the Third Islamic Summit Conference (Palestine and Al-Quds Session) on enhancing the resources of the Fund and its Waqf;

Decides:

1- To call upon the Member States to implement the resolution adopted by the Third Islamic Summit Conference by increasing their donations to the Fund to raise its annual budget to the amount to 50 million dollars;

2- To generally approve of, the substance of the report submitted by the Chairman of the Permanent Board of the Islamic Solidarity Fund on its activities and to put its Budget for the financial year 1980-81 into effect;

3- To hold special meetings, during the Islamic Conferences, for the purpose of pledging donations for the Solidarity Fund and to call upon all Member States to do so during those meetings;

4- To appeal all Member States to organize fund raising campaigns for the Fund during the forthcoming holy month of Ramadhan and to specify the authorities which shall supervise the campaigns;

5- To request all Member States to pledge their donations to the Waqf; and to request those countries which have already pledged their donations to transfer them to the General Secretariat so that the Waqf Project would begin its activities directly upon receipt of any sum;

6- To approve the closing account of the fiscal year 1979/80 as well as the budget estimates for the fiscal year 1981/82;

7- To approve the amendment to Article III of the Statute of the Fund concerning the term of office of the Chairman of the Board, as stated in his report;

8- To express its gratitude to the Permanent Board of the Islamic Solidarity Fund and to its Chairman Dr. Ezzeddine Ibrahim for the efforts exerted to achieve the objectives of the Fund.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 20/12-C**

#### **THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH SESSIONS OF THE ISLAMIC COMMISSION FOR ECONOMIC, CULTURAL AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS**

The Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Republic of Iraq, from 28 Rajab to 3 Sha'aban 1401 H (1-5 June, 1981);

Having considered the reports and recommendations of the Sixth and seventh sessions of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs held in Jeddah from 10/13 Moharram 1400 H (16-19 November 1980) and Jakarta from 24-27 Jamad Al-Awal, 1401H (March 30 - April 2, 1981);

Having taken note of the invitation of Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to host the Eighth Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs,

Decides:

1- To approve the recommendations of the Sixth and Seventh Session of Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs;

2- To hold the eighth Session of the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs in Libya.