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### RESOLUTION NO. 1/47-ICHAD ON THE HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES OF THE OIC

The Forty-Seventh Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 27-28 November 2020 (12-13 Rabi al Thani 1442H).

Proceeding from the provisions of the OIC Charter;

**Referring** to the provisions of the final communique of the previous OIC Summits and in particular the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit held in Istanbul, Republic of Turkey in April 2016, that calls for sustained efforts to coordinate and conduct humanitarian and charitable work under the umbrella of the OIC and mandates the Secretary-General to promote the OIC's humanitarian role and achieve the objectives defined in the Ten-Year Programme of Action;

**Recalling** its previous resolutions regarding humanitarian affairs;

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General on Humanitarian Affairs (OIC/47-CFM/2020/ICHAD/SG-REP);

- 1. **Commends** the work undertaken by the General Secretariat, the OIC Representative Offices and the Humanitarian Offices in the humanitarian domain to alleviate the suffering of people in need particularly in the OIC Member States affected by crises and disasters.
- 2. Commends the enhanced cooperation of the Department for Humanitarian Affairs (ICHAD) with the international humanitarian community, including international organizations and humanitarian NGOs both in Member States and at the international level and in particular cooperation with the UN, OCHA, UNHCR, UNICEF, WFP, WB, ICRC, IFRC, AU, LAS, USAID and the EU.
- **3.** Calls upon the Member States to channel a percentage of their generous humanitarian assistance through the OIC in order to demonstrate the spirit of solidarity and enhance joint Islamic humanitarian action.
- 4. Recognizes the generosity and contributions of the refugee-hosting countries, especially those hosting large refugee populations and persistent challenges encountered in current refugee responses; further acknowledges that the refugee-hosting countries have been disproportionately shouldering a large portion of the burden of providing assistance and protection to millions of refugees, and calls upon the international community to ensure that equitable burden-sharing is achieved on the ground particularly since most of the refugees in the OIC countries are hosted by low-income countries, hence the need to address the impact on movements of refugees.
- **5.** Calls upon humanitarian stakeholders in the Member States to develop and strengthen comprehensive refugee response policies which seek to explore opportunities that benefit both refugees and the communities that host them, and bridge the gap between humanitarian and development interventions.

- 6. Recalls all its previous relevant resolutions on refugees, in particular its previous resolutions 1/46-ICHAD Paragraphs 6-7-8-10-11 (2019) on the OIC-UNHCR Comprehensive Refugee Response (CRRF) Workshop that was held in Jordan from 29-30 April 2018; stresses the significance of holding the Workshop that was convened pursuant to the New York Declaration adopted by the General Assembly in September 2016 and in support of the negotiations of the Global Compact on Refugees that aims to improve how the international community responds to large movements of refugees, including emergencies and protracted refugee situations; and calls upon the OIC Department of Humanitarian Affairs (ICHAD) to convene the follow-up workshop in 2020.
- 7. Stresses the need to identify the deficiencies in the current humanitarian system particularly in dealing with issues pertaining to refugees and formulate a position on ways and means to address and rectify these deficiencies and on creating an environment conducive to the sustainable return of refugees and IDPs and their reintegration.
- 8. Reiterates that voluntary repatriation is the most durable solution to refugee situations; reaffirms the need for enhanced assistance to countries hosting large numbers of refugees and countries of origin to cater for returnees, through humanitarian and development assistance; and highlights the importance of increased resettlement slots for refugees, without discrimination, respecting their dignity and providing for their vulnerabilities.
- **9.** Expresses deep concern over incidences of Islamophobia and other forms of discrimination targeting refugees.
- **10. Recalls** the adoption of the New York Declaration for Refugees and Migrants by the United Nations General Assembly in 2016 leading to the adoption and endorsement of the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration.
- 11. Welcomes the UN General Assembly Resolution A/RES/73/195 of 19 December 2018 for endorsing Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration; renews support to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, and encourages the Member States to increase cooperation in the field of safe, orderly and regular migrations consistent with the objectives of the Global Compact while respecting national sovereignty, laws and regulations as well as their obligations to international law;
- **12. Expresses appreciation** to the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the generous assistance offered to Somalia through the King Salman Centre for Humanitarian Aid, as well as various Member States including Republic of Turkey who contributed towards the implementation of humanitarian and developmental projects in Somalia.
- **13. Also commends** the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) for its prompt response to support Somalia in combating locust invasion.
- 14. Welcomes the signing on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2019 of a new Headquarters Agreement between the Government of the Federal Republic of Somalia and the General Secretariat following the transformation of the OIC Office in Somalia in implementation of Resolution No.56/45-POL of the 45<sup>th</sup> session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Dhaka on 5-6 May and in line with paragraph 10 of Resolution No.1/45-POL calling for promoting the work of the OIC humanitarian Office in Mogadishu to cover all regions of Somalia especially in the country's eastern and northern sides for greater unity and regional integrity.
- **15.** Calls upon the Member States and humanitarian partners to intensify their assistance towards the drought-affected Horn of Africa, especially Somalia, and provide humanitarian and

development assistance to those affected by the drought as well as assist the recovery and development phase in Somalia, including IDPs and the resettlement of repatriated refugees in Somalia.

- **16. Calls** upon the Member States to implement their commitments concerning UNRWA, as stipulated in the various OIC decisions, in particular, those contained in the Final Communique of the Seventh Extraordinary Islamic Summit;
- **17. Commends** the additional contributions of the OIC Member States to UNRWA aiming at addressing its financial shortfall;
- **18. Expresses appreciation** to the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for its continuous support to UNRWA since inception, with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia having provided more than \$1bn to the Agency since 2000, in addition to pledging \$50 million for it to overcome the financial crisis it is going through currently;
- **19. Expresses** appreciation to the UAE government for its sustained support to UNRWA since its establishment, commending its pledge both of US\$50 million, in support of the education sector, and of US\$1, 800, 000 for public programs for 2019.
- **20. Highly** appreciates the valuable contributions of Turkey, in its capacity as the Chair of the Advisory Commission, to UNRWA towards enhancing the Agency's fiscal ability as well as its political stance;
- **21. Appreciates** the continuous support of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the UNRWA's activities, including the valuable contribution made in 2020 in response to the appeal of the Secretary-General of the OIC to support the fight against coronavirus pandemic (Covid-19) in Palestine;
- **22. Congratulates** the Republic of Azerbaijan on the liberation of its lands from the Republic of Armenia's occupation; and calls on OIC Member States and relevant bodies to assist the Republic of Azerbaijan in restoring the infrastructure and Islamic heritage in the liberated lands;
- **23. Welcomes** the adoption of resolution A/RES/74/83 titled "Assistance to Palestinian Refugees" by the United Nations General Assembly with overwhelming support of member states on 13 December 2019 extending the mandate of UNRWA until 30 June 2023;
- **24. Commends** the Republic of Turkey for its donation of \$1 million to the Developmental Waqf Fund for the Palestinian Refugees, and calls on other OIC Member States to consider making donations to the Fund;
- **25.** Expresses deep concern over the protracted humanitarian crisis in Syria, the plight of IDPs and refugees in neighbouring countries, and the inhumane and dreadful situation of Syrians denied access to humanitarian assistance.
- **26.** Calls on the international community to assume its responsibilities and to exert more efforts to alleviate the burden that has reached new heights and to take the immediate steps to allow urgent humanitarian assistance to save the lives of civilians particularly in the Syrian besieged areas.
- **27. Appeals** to the Member States, donors, UN agencies, and humanitarian NGOs to exert further efforts to alleviate the humanitarian plight faced by the people of Yemen, as the country continues to experience a protracted humanitarian crisis.

- **28.** Expresses appreciation to the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the humanitarian assistance rendered through the King Salman Centre for Humanitarian Aid and Relief, the Kingdom being the largest donor to Yemen with support estimated at \$1.216bn, equivalent to 31.3% of the total international assistance to Yemen, as well as the UAE, Kuwait, Qatar, and the other Member States and donors that provided humanitarian assistance to the people of Yemen
- **29.** Acknowledges the efforts and initiatives undertaken by the General Secretariat to mobilise the necessary resources to provide humanitarian and development assistance to the people of Yemen in light of its previous resolutions in this regard.
- **30. Recalls** all its previous relevant resolutions on Yemen, in particular, its previous resolutions 1/44-ICHAD Paragraph 17 (2017) and 1/45-ICHAD Paragraph 21 and 22 (2018) on efforts undertaken by the Member States to provide the necessary humanitarian assistance to the people of Yemen; **requests** the General Secretariat to continue working with its Member States and its partners in cooperation with the Government of Yemen to mobilise the necessary resources to alleviate the humanitarian plight faced by the people of Yemen; and **calls** upon the General Secretariat to resume its humanitarian presence in Yemen through the opening of a humanitarian liaison office in Aden.
- **31. Recalls** its previous relevant resolutions on Iraq, in particular 1/45-ICHAD Paragraph 24 and 25 (2018) and resolution 1/46-ICHAD Paragraph 31 on extending the necessary assistance to Iraq, to address humanitarian and protection needs of millions of IDPs and their host communities, to repatriate all IDPs liberated from areas previously controlled by Daesh terrorist group to their home cities, and to assist in the humanitarian effort to rehabilitate returnees; reaffirms the independence, sovereignty, unity and territorial integrity of Iraq, and emphasizes the importance of the stability and security of Iraq for the people of Iraq, the region, particularly in light of Iraq's victory over Daesh.
- **32. Commends** the assistance provided by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to many countries across the world, including the OIC Member States, making it the fifth in the world for assistance totaling \$1.281bn, accounting for 5.5% of the total international humanitarian assistance.
- **33. Expresses** appreciation for the State of Kuwait's outstanding humanitarian role and the generous donations pledged for various countries, including but not limited to US dollars **1.9** billion for Syria, US dollars 200 million for Iraq, US dollars 100 million for Yemen, along with around US dollars 152 million for UNRWA, and US dollars 15 million for Rohingya.
- **34. Recalls** its previous relevant resolution on the Republic of the Sudan, in particular 1/45-ICHAD Paragraph 28 on its efforts in receiving and sheltering refugees particularly from South Sudan, and in assisting conflict-affected people in South Sudan by facilitating the delivery of humanitarian assistance from the Sudan to South Sudan, and in maintaining humanitarian corridors for the delivery of humanitarian assistance from various states and organizations to people in need in South Sudan, and **calls upon** the Member States and humanitarian NGOs to support the efforts exerted by the Sudan to provide humanitarian assistance for refugees on its territory.
- **35.** Expresses appreciation to the General Secretariat and the Islamic Solidarity Fund for their joint mission to Sudan to asses the humanitarian situation, especially after the heavy rains that resulted to massive flooding across most of Sudan, and highly appreciates the Islamic Solidarity Fund generous donation of 100 thousand US dollars to support the health sector in Sudan; calls upon the Member States and the humanitarian NGOs and other stakeholders to

provide the necessary support and assistance to Sudan to alleviate the suffering of a large number of IDPs who lost their homes as well as the reconstruction of the schools and hospitals.

- **36. Expresses appreciation** for the enhanced cooperation between the General Secretariat and the Islamic Solidarity Funds (ISF) in the humanitarian field, and **calls upon both** the Humanitarian Affairs Department and the ISF to increase their level of collaboration in future Humanitarian activities within the OIC Member States.
- **37. Hails** the improving humanitarian situation in Darfur which allowed for the voluntary return of IDPs in West, Central and North Darfur, and **calls** for enhancing ongoing humanitarian assistance efforts; and for providing the necessary support and assistance to people in need in Sudan.
- **38. Expresses concern** over the deteriorating humanitarian situation in the Lake Chad Basin, and **appreciation** for the efforts undertaken by countries bordering Lake Chad following the deadly attacks of the Boko Haram terrorist group.
- **39. Urgently calls on** the OIC member states, the IDB, relevant OIC institutions and humanitarian NGOs to prepare, in coordination with the humanitarian department at the General Secretariat, developmental projects both for people in regions victims of Boko Haram attacks, particularly refugees and IDPs, and for health and education infrastructure building or rehabilitation initiatives in the areas concerned."
- **40. Further calls** on the Member States, humanitarian NGOs and other stakeholders to give priority to grass root development to bring back normality into rural areas in the Lake Chad Basin, and deal with the humanitarian situation following the terrorist attacks affecting this region.
- **41. Expresses concern** over the deteriorating humanitarian situation in the Sahel region, and **reiterates** its appeal to the Member States and humanitarian NGOs to support Sahel countries to undertake vital sustainable development projects to break the vicious cycle of drought, deprivation and poverty in these countries, and **calls on** the Member States to support the transformation of the OIC humanitarian and development office in Niger into a regional office by availing all the necessary financial resources to this end.
- **42. Commends** Burkina Faso and the Republic of Sudan for the financial pledges made to support the transformation process for the amounts of US dollars 113,000 and 100,000 respectively; **urges** the speedy fulfilment of these generous pledges. **Thanks** the government of the Republic of Niger for dedicating US\$ 200,000 along with 10 hectares of land to the OIC regional humanitarian office in Niamey, to support and sustain its efforts.
- **43. Commends** the Republic of Turkey for a donation of US.D 200,000 in favour of the OIC humanitarian effort in Niger that funded six water projects which have been implemented and completed in the rural areas of Niger for the needy and vulnerable people in order to boost their resilience following the appeal made by the OIC Secretary-General to this end; and **further commends** the United Arab Emirates for the financial pledge made to support the OIC regional office in Niamey.
- **44. Commends** the US\$100,000 donation made by the Republic of Azerbaijan to support the OIC Niamey-based office's humanitarian and development-focused activities, especially in water and agriculture in the rural areas of the Republic of Niger.
- **45. Invites** the OIC General Secretariat to accelerate the effective transformation of the OIC Humanitarian and Developmental Office in Niamey into a regional mission with representation

role, entrusted with the coordination and fulfilment of political commitments, along with its humanitarian and development mission.

- **46. Expresses appreciation** to the Government of the Republic of Cameroon for the steps taken to host refugees from the Central African Republic, Nigerian refugees and dealing with IDPs from border areas which have been suffering from the brutal terrorist crimes perpetrated by the Boko Haram terrorist group in the North of Cameroon.
- **47. Urgently appeals** to the Member States and to the international community to increase their assistance to Cameroon to help it in coping with the influx of refugees and IDPs and to implement programs aimed at improving their living conditions, and strategies for the repatriation of refugees and management of the return or temporary relocation of IDPs.
- **48.** Expresses appreciation for the role played by Mauritania in hosting large numbers of Malian refugees in the east of the country in cooperation and coordination with UNHCR and the WFP.
- **49. Commends** the authorities of the Republic of Niger for hosting Malian and Nigerian refugees, and **requests** the Member States and the international community to help the authorities of Niger face the flow of IDPs and refugees; and **calls on** the Member States to assist the Republic of Niger in its efforts to cope with the flow of IDPs and refugees.
- **50. Requests** Member States, donors and humanitarian NGOs to generously offer the needed humanitarian assistance to alleviate the plight of the rising number of needy people in the Central African Republic and neighboring countries, exacerbated by the protracted conflict in order to overcome the humanitarian and developmental challenges that could hinder the process of national reconciliation and economic recovery; and **further urges** OIC Member States to contribute to the efforts made by the Central African Republic in the DDR and DDRRR processes that are of vital importance to the country for peace to prevail after decades of civil strife and widespread violations of human rights.
- **51. Calls upon** the Member States of OIC to focus and cooperate on the voluntary repatriation of Rohingyas who have been forced to take shelters in refugee camps in Bangladesh and in many other parts of the world.
- **52.** Expresses serious concern on the deteriorating humanitarian situation in Myanmar, particularly the plight of the Rohingyas, for more than two and a half year since August 2017 and 1.1 million forcibly displaced Rohingyas who fled Myanmar to seek refuge in Bangladesh following the acts of genocide and gross Human Rights violations by Myanmar and entities under its control and **calls on** Member States, donors and humanitarian NGOs to provide humanitarian assistance to these refugees and those in need of humanitarian assistance in Myanmar. Hails the Government and the People of Bangladesh for their relentless efforts and initiatives in providing hospitality and all necessary assistance to these 1.1 million Rohingyas who have been living in Bangladesh for more than two and a half year despite real financial constraints; further calls upon the Government of Myanmar to honour the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the General Secretariat and the Government to open a humanitarian coordination office in Myanmar and facilitate humanitarian access to the Rakhine State, and **invites** the Government of Myanmar to make the return of the Rohingyas refugees possible.
- **53.** Commends Indonesia for the support in the form of relief to fulfil basic needs, shelters, health service assistance, and educational assistance, to Rohingya refugees in Cox's Bazaar, Bangladesh valued over USD 2,800,000 and in the form of schools, hospital, basic needs, relief tents and medicines in Rakhine State, Myanmar.

- **54.** Expresses appreciation to the Government of Malaysia on the establishment of the Medical Field Hospital in the Kutupalong refugee camp and services it rendered, to alleviate the sufferings of the Rohingya refugees in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh and for hosting more than 141,000 refugees from Myanmar in Malaysia; and calls upon the Member States to extend their assistance to the Rohingyas in whatever ways possible.
- **55.** Further calls upon the government of Myanmar to honour the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the General Secretariat and the government to open a humanitarian coordination office in Myanmar and facilitate humanitarian access, particularly to the Rakhine State, and **urges** the Member States to carefully follow the repatriation process of Rohingyas refugees to Myanmar under the aegis of the Governments of Myanmar, Bangladesh and the UNHCR.
- **56. Commends** the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for providing assistance to the Rohingyas and also for arranging a pledging session for Rohingyas during Annual Coordination Meeting of OIC Member States at the sidelines of 74<sup>th</sup> UNGA High Level Segment in New York.
- **57. Strongly appeals** to the Member States that are yet to accede to the Convention establishing the Islamic Committee of the International Crescent (ICIC) to do so, as soon as possible to enable the Committee to perform its duties, and realise the objectives for which it was established; and **calls upon** States party to the Convention that are yet to pay their contributions to the Committee's budget to do so to allow the Committee to play its role and fulfil its obligations.
- **58. Recalls** its previous relevant resolutions 1/45-ICHAD operative paragraph 41 (2018), 1/44-ICHAD operative paragraph 40 (2017) and resolutions 1/46-ICHAD operative paragraph 54 pertaining to the efforts of the General Secretariat in developing the capacity of humanitarian civil society organisations in the OIC Member States; and **further calls upon** the General Secretariat to continue its efforts in developing the capacity of humanitarian civil society organizations in the OIC Member States through its joint programme with USAID.
- **59.** Acknowledges the important role that the World Humanitarian Summit (WHS) has played in shaping the principles and policies of the contemporary humanitarian diplomacy, therefore expresses determination to make a meaningful follow-up to the outcomes of the WHS, in particular formulating policies and developing tools in further strengthening the nexus between humanitarian and development assistance.
- **60. Requests** Member States, international and regional organisations, humanitarian NGOs, financial institutions and philanthropists to contribute towards alleviating the plight of orphans in the Islamic world, and beyond; and **calls upon** the Member States and their civil societies to commemorate the OIC day of Orphans on the 15<sup>th</sup> of Ramadan.
- **61. Expresses** the hope that the General Secretariat intensifies its efforts in advancing cooperation with the IsDB, IRTI, SESRIC, ISF and the Islamic Fiqh Academy on the humanitarian front, including on issues pertaining to resilience, Islamic social finance, and on delivering humanitarian assistance in general.
- **62. Expresses appreciation** to the General Secretariat for the efforts undertaken to prepare in 2019 with IsDB a workshop on the humanitarian-development nexus and a forum on Islamic Social Finance, which will be organised in cooperation with IRTI and a joint forum with SESRIC for humanitarian think tanks.

- **63.** Expresses appreciation to the General Secretariat for convening a workshop in Jeddah in coordination with OCHA on underfunded crises and reporting of humanitarian assistance from the OIC Member States in 2019; and calls on the General Secretariat to continue these partnerships aimed at developing a coherent perspective towards humanitarian challenges facing the Islamic world.
- **64. Requests** the Secretary General to submit a report on the implementation of this resolution to the 48<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

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#### RESOLUTION NO.2/47-ICHAD ON THE HUMANITARIAN SITUATION IN SYRIA

The Forty-Seventh Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 27-28 November 2020 (12-13 Rabi al Thani 1442H).

**Recalling** the objectives and principles enshrined in the charter of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), particularly those calling for promoting solidarity among Muslims and defending rights of the people;

**Referring** to the resolutions on the situation in Syria by the 46<sup>th</sup> CFM held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on 1-2 March 2019;

**Reiterating** their commitment to the sovereignty, independence unity and territorial integrity of Syria, also to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations;

**Expressing** serious concern over the level of violence and killing of hundreds of thousands of people including heavy civilian casualties as a result of the Syrian conflict;

**Reiterates** its grave concern at the continued humanitarian crisis in Syria as well as the fact that urgent humanitarian relief, including medical provision, is required by more than 13 million people in Syria of whom 6.2 million are internally displaced including Palestinian refugees and more than 1.1 million people living in hard-to-reach areas;

**Deplores** the escalation of violence in the north-west of the country and stresses the situation of particular concern in the province of Idlib;

**Recalls** the international community's legal obligation under international humanitarian law and international human rights law, as well as the relevant decisions of the United Nations Security Council and in this regard, **invites** the international community including international humanitarian organizations to consolidate their efforts aimed at addressing the humanitarian situation in Syria and underlines the primary responsibility of Syrian authorities to protect the people in Syria;

**Notes with** appreciation the efforts of the United Nations and its implementing partners, having reached and average of 5.6 million people with humanitarian aid each month in 2019 and the assistance delivered cross border represented a significant part of this;

- 1. Commends the cooperation extended by the governments of Turkey, Jordan and Iraq in facilitating cross border humanitarian operations and in this context, acknowledges the fact that 80% of the cross-border assistance to Syria is conducted through the borders of Turkey.
- 2. Appreciates the constructive role and steps taken by the Astana guarantors in the field of confidence building measures, including concrete steps undertaken by the Working Group on the Release of Detainees/Abductees, Handover of Bodies and Identification of Missing Persons.
- **3. Reiterates** their firm belief that in the absence of a political solution to the Syrian conflict in line with the United Nations Security Council Resolution 2254 (2015) the humanitarian crisis will prevail, leading to its further deterioration. With this understanding **welcomes** the establishment of the constitutional committee, **recognizes** the important role of the

Office of the UN Special Envoy and **underlines its determination** for a continued cooperation with Ambassador Geir Pedersen.

- 4. Emphasizes the critical role of the UN cross-border assistance mechanism in delivering humanitarian assistance to the people inside Syria and in this regards takes note of the adoption of United Nations Security Council Resolution 2504 (2020) on the humanitarian situation in Syria.
- **5. Expresses** its appreciation for the efforts of Kuwait in its previous capacity as the nonpermanent member of the United Nations Security Council in charge with the Syrian humanitarian file.
- 6. **Requests** the Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this resolution and to report thereon to the 48<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of the Foreign Ministers.

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#### RESOLUTION No.3/47-ICHAD ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE CAPACITY AND FUNCTIONS OF THE OIC MISSION IN KABUL

The Forty-Seventh Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 27-28 November 2020 (12-13 Rabi al Thani 1442H).

**Expressing** the strong commitment of the OIC to the sovereignty, independence, national unity and territorial integrity of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, expressing its solidarity with Afghanistan in its efforts to bring peace, prosperity, security and economic and social development for its people;

**Referring** to the resolution No. 4/46-POL adopted by the 46<sup>th</sup> CFM (1-2 March 2019, Abu Dhabi) the welcomes the reactivation of the OIC Kabul Mission, which should also play a key role in humanitarian, educational, social, economic and political assistance of the OIC towards Kabul;

**Appreciating** the essential role of the OIC Mission in Kabul regarding the political representation of the Organization, which would also be expected to facilitate an Afghan-owned and Afghan-led peace process;

**Reiterating** the importance of sustainable humanitarian and development assistance to Afghanistan, to support the efforts of this country for rehabilitation reconstruction and development, which will contribute to regional stability and security;

**Considering** the various challenges, stemming from the poverty and instability, to the economic and social development of Afghanistan and **being aware of** the urgent of the reconstruction process and necessity for building human capacity in Afghanistan;

- 1. **Decides** to reinforce OIC Kabul Mission to enable it to assume and effective role in the delivery of the humanitarian and development aid of the OIC, in coordination with the relevant OIC institutions, to Afghanistan.
- **2. Invites** all OIC institutions to step up their humanitarian and development assistance to Afghanistan in coordination with the OIC Kabul Mission.
- **3. Requests** Permanent Finance Committee to examine the possibility of improving the financial and personnel resources of the OIC Kabul Mission on the basis of a study to be submitted to it by the General Secretariat.
- **4.** Welcomes the efforts of the Government of Afghanistan to support the OIC Kabul Mission towards allocation of required premises for the OIC Kabul Mission.
- **5. Requests** the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this Resolution and to report thereon to the 48<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.