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5<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Conference of Youth and Sports Ministers

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- 1. The 5<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Conference of the Ministers of Youth and Sports was held in Jeddah, KAS from 7 to 9/9/2022.
- 2. The session was inaugurated with a recitation from the Holy Qur'an. Then His Excellency Mr. Farid Gaypov, Minister of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Azerbaijan, in his capacity as Chairman of the 4<sup>th</sup> ICYSM Session, delivered a statement. He reviewed the initiatives taken under Azerbaijan's chairmanship of the 4<sup>th</sup> ICYSM Session in following up the implementation of the resolutions issued by the Conference. He also expressed his country's appreciation for the contributions and cooperation of Member States and the General Secretariat.
- 3. The Conference unanimously elected the Bureau of the Fifth Session of the Islamic Conference of Youth and Sports Ministers as follows:

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, - Chairman

Federal Republic of Nigeria Vice Chairman

Islamic Republic of Pakistan Vice Chairman

State of Palestine Vice Chairman

Republic of Azerbaijan - Rapporteur

- 4. His Excellency Dr. Muhammad bin Sulaiman Al-Jassir, President of the Islamic Bank Group (IsDBG), delivered a speech. He reviewed the efforts and initiatives of the Group to enhance the capabilities of youth in Member Countries. He expressed the Bank's readiness to implement a "program for the advancement of youth services and policies towards an integrated recovery" in cooperation with the General Secretariat and the KSA in its capacity as the Chair of the ICYSM 5<sup>th</sup> Session.
- 5. In his statement, H.E. Mr. Hissein Brahim Taha, OIC Secretary-General, commended the keen interest given by the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the host country, under the leadership of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Salman bin Abdulazeez, and the Crown Prince, H.R.H. Prince Muhammad bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, to youth and sports issues in OIC Member States in particular, and for the generous care given to the OIC, and the continued support extended for its various activities and programs, in order to promote Islamic solidarity and advance the role entrusted to the OIC.
- 6. The Secretary-General expressed his appreciation to all OIC Member States and Institutions, stressing that their attendance provided a conclusive evidence of the special attention they accorded to youth and sports issues. He also underlined the

importance of youth and sports issues for the organization, indicating that, according to global studies, the OIC geography accommodates about a quarter of the world youth population, and that according to the UN global population projections, the OIC countries were expected to host more than a third of the world's youth by 2050. The Secretary-General further indicated that these facts and sobering statistics could provide opportunities for the Muslim world if the potential of youth were appropriately harnessed while engaging them in the development and implementation of policies and programs on youth development and sports. He affirmed the intention of the OIC General Secretariat to work with relevant institutions to enhance youth participation in the decision-making process at all levels.

- 7. The Conference watched a view presentation on the efforts of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in the field of sports development.
- 8. H.R.H. Prince Abdulaziz bin Turki Al-Faisal bin Abdulazeez Al Saud, Minister of Sports of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, delivered the opening speech of the ICYSM 5<sup>th</sup> session, in his capacity as Chairman of the Conference. He thanked the Member States, the OIC General Secretariat, Organs and Institutions and the partners who contributed to the holding of this session in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
- 9. H.R.H. stressed that the development of any country in the world and the well-being of its people cannot fully bear fruit without youth engagement. He recalled the measures taken by the KSA for youth and sports development in the framework of its vision 2030. Before declaring the ICYSM 5th session open, H.R.H. invited the Secretary-General to continue his activities aimed at strengthening Islamic solidarity among Member States in order to build youth capacities, develop sports and follow up on the implementation of the outcomes of this Conference. He affirmed the determination of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to extend support to the OIC and its Affiliated Organs to carry out their activities.
- 10. The Conference adopted its agenda and work program.
- 11. The Conference also adopted the report of the preparatory SOM.
- 12. The participating delegations reviewed the policies and efforts of their countries in the field of youth and sports development, and the steps taken in this regard. The interventions focused on the importance of meeting the needs of the youth, providing them with opportunities, enhancing their role in development, and making them effective partners in countries' efforts to advance the economic and social situation in the world. They also stressed ways to enhance cooperation and exchange experiences among Member states in youth and sports development within the framework of joint Islamic action to address the challenges faced by Member States in this regard, especially at the level of building and strengthening peace and dialogue and combating extremism and terrorism, while respecting Islamic values and traditions.
- 13. The participating OIC institutions made briefings to the Conference on their efforts and priorities in supporting Member States in youth capacity building and sports development.

- 14. The Conference adopted the following documents:
  - a. An Omnibus resolution on youth and sports issues;
  - b. The Conference declaration;
  - c. Draft final report of the Conference;
- 15. The meeting welcomed the offer made by the State of Libya and the State of the United Arab Emirates to host the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> sessions of the ICYSM in 2024 and 2026, and assigned the General Secretariat to follow up on the matter, to finally approve the date of convening the two sessions in cooperation with the concerned countries, and to inform the Member States accordingly.
- 16. The Conference expressed its heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the KSA for the excellent organization of the conference and for providing all necessary facilities throughout the Conference.
- 17. The meeting commended the leading role played by His Excellency Dr. Muhammad bin Sulaiman Al-Jassir, IsDBG President, in youth capacity building.
- 18. The participants expressed their deep thanks and appreciation to the Chairman of the meeting for his wise and able moderation the sessions. They also commended the OIC General Secretariat and relevant institutions for their valuable contributions to the success of the session.
- 19. At the end of the conference, the delegates were invited to attend an official lunch hosted in their honor by H.R.H. Prince Abdulaziz bin Turki Al-Faisal, Minister of Sports in the KSA.

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