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Ministers of the Member States of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation***

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Hostilities against Journalists and Media Outlets in the Occupied Palestinian  
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1. At the kind invitation of the Republic of Türkiye, chair of the 12<sup>th</sup> session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, for the extraordinary session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, under the theme: “The Israeli Occupation Authority’s Disinformation and Hostilities against Journalists and media outlets in the occupied Palestinian Territory” was held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on Saturday, 24 February 2024.
2. The meeting opened with recitation from verses of the Glorious Qur’an, followed by the speech of the representative of the Republic of Türkiye, H.E. Mr. Fahrettin Altun, President of the Directorate of Communications of the Republic of Türkiye, Chairman of the Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, in which he expressed his appreciation to Member States for participating in the session. He highlighted the importance of the meeting for demonstrating a unified stance against Israeli oppression and advancing a shared struggle in communication and media. He also stressed that Israel's history of oppression is a consequence of the First World War and the dysfunctional structure of international organizations, such as the United Nations. He applauded the comprehensive cooperation among the OIC's member states, and promised to continue exposing Israel's barbarism, war crimes, and genocide policy.
3. The head of the Palestinian delegation, H.E. Mr. Nabil Abu Rdeneh, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Information of the State of Palestine, delivered a speech to the meeting in which he expressed appreciation to the Republic of Türkiye for its invitation to and generous hosting of this extraordinary session of the Ministers of Information. He also called for a unified Islamic position to pressure on the Israeli Occupation and the United States of America to stop the ongoing massacres against the Palestinian people, provide relief, medical and food supplies to Gaza Strip, and reject the displacement of the Palestinian people. Emphasizing that Gaza Strip will only be part of the independent Palestinian state with Al-Quds Al-Sharif as its capital.
4. The meeting was addressed by the Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation His Excellency Mr. Hissein Brahim Taha who expressed the OIC gratitude and appreciation to the Republic of Türkiye for generous hospitality and warm welcome, and stressed the importance of assuming the joint duties and common responsibilities, including in the media field, in parallel with political and legal efforts, in order to confront the Israeli media misinformation and systematic attacks against journalists and media outlets in the occupied Palestinian Territory, provide maximum media coverage to expose the Israeli

violations, mobilize the world public opinion to condemn them, and work towards keeping the Palestinian cause firmly rooted in the conscience of humanity.

5. H.E. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, President of the Republic of Türkiye delivered a video message in which he welcomed all the participating delegates and expressed his expectations that the meeting will be beneficial for media outlets, particularly journalists in the occupied Palestinian territory. H.E. indicated that since October 7th, there have been major atrocities in Gaza Strip, with over 30 thousand Palestinians martyred and over 70 thousand injured, the majority of the victims are children and women. He added that Israeli occupation forces target journalists and civilians, with over 100 killed. The President saluted brave journalists who speak up for the oppressed people of Palestine, urged member states to document and expose atrocities against the Palestinians in Gaza Strip and to combat Israel's disinformation.
6. The meeting elected the Bureau of the Extraordinary Session of the ICIM as follows:

Republic of Türkiye		Chair
State of Palestine	}	Vice Chair
Republic of Guinea-Bissau		
Federal Republic of Somalia		
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia		Rapporteur

7. The participants adopted the draft agenda and work programme for the Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers: documents: OIC/EX-ICIM/2024/MIN/WP and OIC/EX-ICIM/2024/MIN/DA.
8. The Republic of Tunisia has made a reservation on the following: "...notably the resolutions adopted by the Joint Arab-Islamic Summit to consider the aggression against the Palestinian people held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, on November 11, 2023."
9. The People's Democratic Republic of Algeria has made a reservation on the following: "...notably the resolutions adopted by the Joint Arab-Islamic Summit to consider the aggression against the Palestinian people held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, on November 11, 2023."
10. The Meeting decided to dedicate this Extraordinary Session of Information Ministers to those Journalists who have been martyred while performing their duties during the on going Israeli brutal aggression on the Gaza Strip.
11. The Republic of Iraq expressed its reservation on the Two-States solution.
12. Regarding the draft final communiqué of the Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, the delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran made a reservation stressing that " it should not explicitly or implicitly be construed in any way, as recognition

of the Zionist regime or any support to the normalization of relations with this illegitimate and fake regime.” The Islamic Republic of Iran firmly declared that “any move towards recognition of the Zionist regime and normalization of relations with it will be a step towards undermining the cause of Palestine. “

13. The Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers discussed the items on the agenda of the Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers themed: “*The Israeli Occupation Authority’s Disinformation and Hostilities Journalists and media outlets in the occupied Palestinian Territory*”. After exhaustive deliberations on the draft final communique and the incorporation of Member States’ proposals, the draft final communique was adopted.
14. At the end of the meeting, the participants expressed their gratitude and appreciation to the Republic of Türkiye for generous hospitality and warm welcome, and for the excellent arrangements made for them. They also thanked the General Secretariat for all its efforts which contributed to the success of the meeting. They commended H.E. Mr. Fahrettin Altun the chair of the meeting for his generosity of spirit, wisdom and capability in presiding over the meeting.
15. The chair, for his part, expressed his thanks to all participating delegations for their understanding and cooperation throughout the discussion and commended the fruitful deliberations the meeting witnessed. He also praised the valuable cooperation exhibited by the OIC General Secretariat and for its efforts in mobilizing international support for the cause of Palestine and Al-Quds Al-Sharif.

**H.E. Mr. Fahrettin Altun,  
Chair of the Extraordinary Session  
Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers  
Istanbul, 24 February 2024**