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**RESOLUTION NO. 1/51-E**  
**ON**  
**AGRICULTURE, LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

*The Fifty-First Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation under the Theme: “The OIC in a Transforming World” held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 21<sup>st</sup> –22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Dhul Al-Hajj 1446h),*

**Pursuant to** the Charter of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation on intensification of intra-OIC cooperation in the socio-economic domain,

**Recalling** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016,

**Also recalling** the Final Communiqué of the 15<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Banjul, Republic of The Gambia, on the 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2024,

**Further recalling** the General Agreement for Economic, Technical and Commercial Cooperation among Member States of the OIC, adopted as per Resolution No.1/8-E of the Eighth Session of CFM held in Tripoli, Libya, on the 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> May, 1977,

**Reaffirming** the Agreement for Promotion, Protection and Guarantee of Investments among the OIC Member States, which was adopted by the Twelfth Session of CFM held in Baghdad, Iraq, on the 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> June, 1981,

**Recalling** the Resolutions on Economic Issues adopted by the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Safar 1446H),

**Reaffirming** the relevant resolutions of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC), especially those adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Taking into account** the reports on activities of the various OIC institutions in the economic domain, namely: SESRIC, ICDT, IsDB Group, IOFS, ICCD and SMIIC,

**Having considered** the Report of the Secretary General,

**A. AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOOD SECURITY**

**Recalling** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, especially those goals relating to agriculture, rural development and food security,

**Reaffirming** the Resolutions on Promoting Food Security and Agricultural Development in OIC Member States, especially those adopted by the Ninth OIC Ministerial Conference on Food Security and Agricultural Development held in Doha, State of Qatar, on the 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2023,

**Recalling** the relevant provisions of Resolution No.1/50-E adopted by the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024, particularly with regard to creating an enabling environment to promote public and private investment in sustainable agriculture, food security and rural development,

**Also recalling** the relevant resolutions of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC), including those adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Convinced** that the expansion and deepening of intra-OIC cooperation in the domain of agriculture and food security would contribute to enhancing food security and increasing agricultural productivity in the OIC Member States,

**Encouraged** by the enormous opportunities, huge potentials and comparative advantages available within the OIC countries in the area of agro-food commodity development, as evident in the fact that 26 OIC Member States are among the largest producers of major agricultural commodities on the global level,

**Cognizant of the urgent need** to address the precarious food security situation in a number of OIC Member States, as evident in the acute hunger and malnutrition affecting more than 105 million people in OIC Member States as reported by a joint FAO-WFP Hunger Hotspots: November 2024 to May 2025 Outlook,

**Noting with concern** that droughts, desertification, land degradation, sand and dust storms, and other adverse effects of climate change, including more frequent and extreme weather occurrences, such as floods, are among the key factors contributing to food insecurity in OIC Member States, in addition to the unilateral control of transboundary water-sources,

**Worried** about the fact that globally, around 14% of food produced is lost between harvest and retail, while an estimated 17% of total global food production is wasted, thus undermining the sustainability of food systems,

**Considering** the critical role of agriculture in stimulating socio-economic growth and sustainable development in many OIC Member States, especially in its Least Developed Countries in terms of income, employment and poverty reduction,

**Underscoring** that smallholder farmers are the main food producers in many OIC Member States, especially in its Least Developed Countries, and they are playing a key role in the food security and nutrition of these countries,

**Recognizing** the importance of strengthening cooperation among OIC Member States by exchanging experiences, sharing knowledge and transferring technology for sustainable agricultural development,

**Welcoming** the ratification of the Statute of Islamic Organisation for Food Security (IOFS) by the Republic of Cameroon and the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire during 2024,

**Expressing appreciation** to the Government of the State of Qatar for hosting the Ninth OIC Ministerial Conference on Food Security and Agricultural Development held in Doha, State of Qatar, on the 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2023,

**Taking note** of the Sixth Session of the General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security, held in Doha, State of Qatar, on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2023, and its main outcomes,

**Further taking note** of the First Extraordinary General Assembly of the IOFS held virtually on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2024, which elected a new Director General of IOFS,

**Commending** the efforts of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC) towards enhancing economic and commercial cooperation among the

OIC Member States, especially through the COMCEC Agriculture Working Group, and COMCEC Project Funding as well as COMCEC Al-Quds Program,

**Also commending** the SESRIC's research and capacity building programmes in the areas of agriculture, water and environment, especially its current work in preparing the 2025 edition of its report entitled "Agriculture and Food Security in the Member States of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation – 2025," stressing the importance of such reports as an essential factor in analyzing the current situation at the level of the OIC countries, which supports the development of policies, improvement of plans and decision-making related to enhancing the food and nutrition security situation,

**Noting with appreciation** the on-going facility established by the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) Group of a US\$10.54 billion Comprehensive Food Security Response Program towards promoting sustainable agricultural development and enhanced food security in OIC Member States,

**Emphasizing** the need for concert efforts on the implementation of the decisions of the OIC Ministerial Conferences on Food Security and Agricultural Development with regard to establishment of an OIC Food Security Reserve and OIC Programmes of Action on the Development of Strategic Agricultural Commodities, namely: i) OIC Programme of Action for Development of Rice; ii) OIC Programme of Action for Development of Wheat; and iii) OIC Programme of Action for Development of Cassava,

**Acknowledging** the role of the Islamic Organisation for Food Security (IOFS), as an OIC specialized institution, in increasing intra-OIC cooperation towards achieving enhanced food security, sustainable agriculture and rural development in OIC Member States, and **stressing** the importance of enhancing the activities of the IOFS through development of new projects as well as practical implementation of the already approved programmes and projects,

**Taking into account** the reports on activities of the various OIC institutions in the domain of agricultural development and food security,

1. **Calls upon** the OIC Member States to urgently support OIC countries, requiring urgent and scaled-up assistance to address food insecurity, especially in net food-importing developing countries, through multilateral collaboration and coordinated actions, including the provision of emergency food supplies, financial and technical support, and increased capacity for agricultural production;
2. **Calls on** scientifically and technologically advanced OIC Member States to support other Member States in providing food security, and diversifying food sources throughout the OIC Member States;
3. **Urges** Member States to create an enabling environment designed to promote public and private investment, including foreign investment, in sustainable agriculture and rural development in order to increase agricultural productivity as well as develop food value chains in Member States;
4. **Calls on** Member States to enhance intra-OIC cooperation in the food and agriculture sector to build more resilient food system, share knowledge and best practices in order to help develop domestic production capacities, which are better suited to local needs, and to contribute to increased food security, productivity and resilience;

5. **Emphasizes** the need to support the agricultural sector in the Gaza Strip by providing seeds, fertilizers, and agricultural equipment necessary to boost local production and strengthen the agricultural sector's self-sufficiency, to meet the needs of the local population and calls for providing technical support to farmers to increase agricultural production efficiency and improve crop quality;
6. **Encourages** Member States to support capacity development, training and extension services for local producers and smallholder farmers, especially those in rural areas, to address key aspects of food systems sustainability as well as to promote the resilience and productivity of the food and agricultural sector;
7. **Also encourages** Member States to promote research and innovation to increase the resilience and sustainability of agricultural and food systems, and to mitigate and adapt to climate change and halt and reverse biodiversity loss;
8. **Calls on Member** States, which have not yet done so, to sign and ratify the Statute of IOFS, the new OIC specialized institution based in Astana, Republic of Kazakhstan, at their earliest convenience;
9. **Welcomes** the offer made by the Republic of Chad to host the Tenth OIC Ministerial Conference on Food Security and Agricultural Development in 2025 and **encourages** Member States and the OIC Institutions to actively participate therein;
10. **Requests** the General Secretariat, in coordination with the relevant OIC institutions, to undertake a study and develop a business model and cooperation framework for contract farming, assessing the needs and potentialities of the Member States, possible role and contribution by prospective Member States and OIC organs/institutions, and submit that study report and the business model to the next OIC Ministerial Conference on Food Security and Agricultural Development and CFM for consideration and further decision;
11. **Emphasizes** the importance of increasing cooperation among OIC Member States in mitigating impacts of climate change on the agriculture sector, in particular through capacity building and sharing experiences, knowledge, technology transfer and good practices programmes;
12. **Also emphasizes** that any measures taken in the transport sector to mitigate carbon emissions must not neglect the side effects on agricultural land, food supply chains and the capacities of the developing countries to meet their food security needs;
13. **Encourages** Member States to reuse treated wastewater in agriculture.

## **B. LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

**Recalling** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, especially those goals related to labour, employment and social protection issues,

**Also recalling** the outcome of the Fifth Islamic Conference of Labour Ministers held in Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan, on 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2023, including its Resolution,

**Bearing in mind** the provisions of the OIC Framework for Cooperation on Labour, Employment and Social Protection, which was adopted at the Second Islamic Conference of Labour Ministers (ICLM), aimed at promoting intra-OIC cooperation on labour, employment and social protection, and **emphasizing** the need for its timely implementation,

**Emphasizing** the need for of intra-OIC collaboration on labour and employment matters, including the implementation of: 1) OIC Agreement on Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) of Skilled Workforce; 2) OIC Standard Bilateral Agreement on Exchange of Manpower; and 3) OIC Labour Market Strategy,

**Taking note** of the outcome of the Inaugural Session of the General Assembly of OIC Labour Centre held in Baku, Azerbaijan, on 21<sup>st</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023, and the election of the Director General and members of the Executive Board of this Centre,

**Welcoming** the signing of the Statute of the OIC Labour Centre by the Republic of Cameroon and the Republic of the Gambia during 2024, and by the People's Republic of Bangladesh on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2025 as well as its ratification by the State of Palestine on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025,

**Being conscious** of the fact that the unemployment rate of OIC countries was reported at 5.7% in 2023, which was higher compared to the world average of 5.0%, hence emphasizing the need to address the dual challenge of creating new productive jobs and improving living standards for all,

**Considering** the huge number of unemployed youth in OIC Member States and the need for all Member States to collaborate and exchange best practices with a view to reinforcing their national strategic plans, aimed at youth empowerment and skill acquisition,

**Desirous of** fast-tracking the implementation of the OIC cooperation frameworks on labour, employment and social protection,

**Commending** the efforts of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC) towards enhancing economic and commercial cooperation among the OIC Member States, especially through the COMCEC Poverty Alleviation Working Group, and COMCEC Project Funding as well as COMCEC Al-Quds Program,

**Expressing appreciation** to the various OIC institutions for the implementation of capacity building and technical assistance projects in the field of labour, employment and social protection,

1. **Welcomes** the offer of the State of Qatar to host the Sixth Islamic Conference of Labour Ministers in 2025 and **urges** all Member States and OIC institutions/organs to actively participate in the said Conference;
2. **Invites** all OIC Member States and relevant OIC institutions to actively cooperate with OIC Labour Centre within the field of its competence and support the latter in its early stage of development;
3. **Commends** OIC Member States, which have already signed and ratified the Statute of OIC Labour Centre, and **urges** other OIC Member States to accede to the said statute expeditiously;
4. **Also urges** the signatories of the Statute of OIC Labour Centre to finalize the ratification of the Statute;
5. **Encourages** OIC Member States to cooperate on labour and socio-economic impacts of climate policy scenarios, creating green jobs and de-carbonization;
6. **Urges** Member States to give priority to providing training and skills enhancement to increase the employability of the workforce and its adaptability to changing labour markets as well as designing comprehensive policies to provide access to education, vocational education and technical training, capacity building, upgrading skills and acquisition of new knowledge and

lifelong learning, and to promote the exchange of experiences on second chance and new chance programs;

7. **Encourages** Member States to pursue the creation of a conducive environment for enterprise development in both rural and urban areas, including by giving particular attention to accelerating the creation of community-based enterprises as well as policies that promote micro, small and medium-sized enterprises through, inter alia, improved administrative regimes for the registration of small businesses, access to microcredit, social security systems, information on markets and new appropriate technologies, as well as improved regulations;
8. **Underscores** the need for the Member States to undertake necessary measures towards implementation of: 1) OIC Agreement on Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) of Skilled Workforce; 2) OIC Standard Bilateral Agreement on Exchange of Manpower; and 3) OIC Labour Market Strategy, respectively;
9. **Recognizes** the importance of creating an enabling environment to promote exchange of labour flow, particularly experts and specialists, among Member States as an opportunity to increase capacity building, eradicate poverty and providing services among OIC Member States and **invites** Member States to do so;
10. **Encourages** Member States to increase intra-OIC cooperation to facilitate sharing of models, best practices, and experiences on policies and initiatives in the domain of setting up community based enterprises, employment and social protection;
11. **Invites** the relevant OIC institutions to continue to assist Member States, as appropriate and upon request, in advancing their efforts towards developing an environment that enables the effective generation of full and productive employment and decent work for all.

**C. GENERAL PROVISION:**

**Requests** the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this Resolution and submit a comprehensive report on each item appearing from A to B to the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2/51-E**

**ON**

**INTRA-OIC TRADE AND INVESTMENT, TOURISM AND TRANSPORTATION**

*The Fifty-First Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation under the Theme: “The OIC in a Transforming World” held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 21<sup>st</sup> –22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Dhul Al-Hajj 1446h),*

**Pursuant to** the Charter of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation on intensification of intra-OIC cooperation in the socio-economic domain,

**Recalling** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016,

**Also recalling** the Final Communiqué of the 15<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Banjul, Republic of The Gambia, on 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> May, 2024,

**Further recalling** the General Agreement for Economic, Technical and Commercial Cooperation among Member States of the OIC, adopted as per Resolution No.1/8-E of the Eighth Session of CFM held in Tripoli, Libya, on 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> May, 1977,

**Reaffirming** the Agreement for Promotion, Protection and Guarantee of Investments among the OIC Member States, which was adopted by the Twelfth Session of CFM held in Baghdad, Iraq, on 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> June, 1981,

**Recalling** the Resolutions on Economic Issues adopted by 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Safar1446H),

**Reaffirming** the relevant resolutions of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC), especially those adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Taking into account** the reports on activities of the various OIC institutions in the economic domain, namely: SESRIC, ICDT, IsDB Group, ICCD and SMIIC,

**Having considered** the Report of the Secretary General,

**A. INTRA-OIC TRADE AND INVESTMENT**

**Reaffirming** the Resolution No.2/50-E adopted by 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024, with regards to intra-OIC trade and investment,

**Recalling** the relevant resolutions of the COMCEC and the resolution adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Bearing in mind** the general principles governing the international trading system and trade policies for development contained in relevant resolutions, rules and provisions of the United Nations and the World Trade Organization (WTO), which highlights the need to support and facilitate the accession process of OIC Member States to the WTO,

**Stressing** the importance of urging OIC Member States to contribute to the reform process of the WTO for the purpose of strengthening the multilateral, rules-based trade system, while preserving the principles on which the organization was founded, through an inclusive and transparent

negotiation process led by the OIC Member States to promote the OIC's role in addressing the current challenges while maintaining the developmental aspect of its work,

**Being conscious** of the need to enhance public-private participation as well as the role of the private sector towards promoting intra-OIC investment,

**Aware of the necessity** to strengthen public-private participation as well as the role of the private sector in promoting intra-OIC investment in key sectors, including support to the industrial infrastructure,

**Cognizant** that promoting, protecting and guaranteeing investments necessitate being fully conversant with the latest developments and challenges surrounding the investment climate, and responding to them in an adequate manner,

**Guided** by the OIC trade and investment facilitation procedures, including the implementation of the Framework Agreement on Trade Preferential System among the Member States of the OIC (TPS-OIC) and its appropriate Protocols,

**Welcoming** the signing of the Protocol on the Preferential Tariff Scheme for the Trade Preferential System (TPS) among the OIC Member States and the TPS-OIC Rules of Origin by the Republic of the Gambia during 2024,

**Also welcoming** the resolutions of the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024, regarding the implementation of the Framework Agreement on Trade Preferential System among the Member States of the OIC (TPS-OIC),

**Further welcoming** the effectuation of the TPS-OIC as of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 in line with relevant resolutions of the COMCEC Ministerial Sessions and the decisions of the TPS-OIC Trade Negotiating Committee (TNC),

**Expressing appreciation** to the Government of the Republic of Türkiye for organizing the 3<sup>rd</sup> Open Ended Ministerial Meeting of the TPS-OIC Trade Negotiations Committee in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> June, 2024,

**Recalling** the decisions of the Third Ministerial Meeting of the TPS-OIC Trade Negotiating Committee (TNC) hosted by the Republic of Türkiye in Istanbul, Türkiye, on 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> June, 2024,

**Also recalling** the decision of the Joint General Assembly of Subsidiary Organs, particularly with regard to the activities of ICDDT and SESRIC on trade and investment-related issues,

**Welcoming** the decision of the 40<sup>th</sup> COMCEC Ministerial Meeting on “Developing/Improving Export Strategies in the OIC Member Countries” as the theme for the Exchange of Views Session of the next COMCEC Session,

**Cognizant** that the share of intra-OIC trade in the overall foreign trade of Member States increased by 6.26% from 19.16% in 2023 to 20.36% in 2024, thus stressing the need to further increase intra-OIC trade to attain the 25% intra-OIC trade target by 2025,

**Taking note** of the fact that by 2024, 30 OIC countries had attained the 25% intra-OIC trade target set by the OIC-2025: Programme of Action,

**Emphasizing** the importance of addressing the challenges of promoting intra-OIC trade, through exchanging experiences and drawing lessons from successful experiences in building human and institutional capacities, transferring and localizing technology, strengthening cooperation frameworks to advance business environments, and concluding regional agreements to promote intra-OIC economic integration and upgrade existing agreements, while benefiting from the

technical support and practical experience provided by relevant institutions such as the WTO and the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) on best practices in concluding and operationalizing regional agreements to strengthen trade and investment,

**Also emphasizing** the need for reflection of national trade priorities in the Work Programme of ICDT in line with the Resolution No.2/50-E adopted by the 50<sup>th</sup> CFM,

**Taking note** of the successful launching of Astana International Financial Center (AIFC) in Kazakhstan and **encouraging** all Member States to take advantage of the facilities of AIFC, namely AIFC Stock Exchange (AIX), Islamic Finance and Green Finance,

**Commending** as central, the role of the Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) as a leading financial hub and free economic zone for the Middle East, Africa and South Asia (MEASA) that has its own independent, internationally regulated regulatory and judicial system and global financial exchange,

**Noting with appreciation** the organization by the General Secretariat, in collaboration with the Government of Türkiye, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of Intergovernmental Experts Group to study the Protocol on the Establishment of an OIC Permanent Mechanism for Settlement of Investment Disputes in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> October 2024,

**Expressing appreciation** to the Government of the Republic of Türkiye for hosting the Halal Expo 2024 and the 10<sup>th</sup> World Halal Summit (WHS) under the theme: “*A Decade of Halal Success: Uniting Vision, Shaping the Future*”, in cooperation with ICDT and SMIIC, in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 27<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> November, 2024,

**Also expressing appreciation** to the Makkah, Madinah, Jeddah and Taif Chambers of Commerce of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the ICCD for the organization of the Makkah Halal Forum 2025, held in Makkah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> February, 2025,

**Commending** the trade finance and trade development activities of ITFC and the mobilization of funds from the development partners for funding trade operations in the Member States, contributing towards the achievement of intra-OIC trade target of 25 percent by the year 2025,

**Expressing appreciation** for the successful outcome of the 19<sup>th</sup> General Assembly Meeting of the Standards and Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC), held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Commending** the efforts of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC) towards enhancing economic and commercial cooperation among the OIC Member States, especially through the COMCEC Trade Working Group, and COMCEC Project Funding as well as COMCEC Al-Quds Program,

1. **Reiterates** its invitation to the Member States, which have not yet signed or ratified the TPS-OIC Agreements, namely the Framework Agreement, PRETAS and Rules of Origin, to do so at their earliest convenience, including the submission of their list of products and schedule of concessions;
2. **Welcomes** the holding of the Third Meeting of Intergovernmental Group of Experts (IGGE) in Istanbul, Türkiye, on 8<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> October 2024, on Establishing a Permanent Organ and Mechanism for the Settlement of Investment Disputes within the framework of the Agreement on the Promotion, Protection and Guarantee of Investment among the Member States of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and exploration of the possibility and the

technical aspects of integrating the settlement of investment-related disputes to the OIC Arbitration Centre's portfolio of functions;

3. **Takes note** of the agreement reached at the Third IGGE meeting that discussions on the exploration of the possibility of integrating the settlement of investment-related disputes to the OIC Arbitration Centre's portfolio of functions under the OIC Investment Agreement should be deferred until after the modernization of the said Agreement;
4. **Calls upon** the Member States to submit their national inputs to the Annual Work Programmes of OIC Subsidiary Organs in order to enhance inclusiveness, dynamism and ownership of OIC programmes and projects;
5. **Urges** all Member States to encourage their public and private entities to actively participate in the 18<sup>th</sup> OIC Trade Fair to be held in Lahore, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, in 2025;
6. **Welcomes** the offer made by the Republic of Mali to organize an OIC Investment Forum in Africa under the theme of “*Unleashing Africa's Investment Potential*” in Bamako, Mali, on 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> December, 2025, and **urges** all Member States to actively participate in the said Forum;
7. **Welcomes** the effectuation of TPS-OIC as of 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2022, and **urges** for its effective implementation so as to contribute to achieving intra-OIC trade target of 25% by 2025;
8. **Further welcomes** the initiative of the Islamic Center for Development of Trade (ICDT) to organize, in collaboration with COMCEC Coordination Office, awareness-raising webinars on TPS-OIC for the benefit of OIC Member States in 2025, and help participating OIC countries in the operationalization of the TPS-OIC after 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2022;
9. **Welcomes** the initiatives of the ICDT to organize forums for investment promotion and **requests** the ICDT to hold further forums and meetings to encourage bilateral investments among OIC countries;
10. **Welcomes** the request of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to hold an Intergovernmental Group of Experts' Meeting of the contracting parties to the Agreement for the Promotion, Protection and Guarantee of Investments among the Member States of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, with the support of Sudan, United Arab Emirates, Iraq, Palestine, Qatar, Kuwait, Mauritania and Morocco, in order to study ways to review and update this agreement. It also takes note of calling on the General Secretariat to hold this meeting;
11. **Calls on** the ICDT and the OIC institutions to increase efforts to encourage digitization of the rules of international trade, which will facilitate trade exchanges among OIC countries;
12. **Urges** all Member States to actively participate at the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the OIC Halal Products Fair, to be held in Tunis, Republic of Tunisia, in 2025;
13. **Welcomes** the First Edition of the Azerbaijan Halal Business Forum (AZHAB Forum), including the introduction of the new Halal-Green concept by Small and Medium Business Development Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan (KOBIA), which was organized by the KOBIA, in collaboration with SESRIC and SMIIC, in Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan on 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> October, 2024, and **encourages** the Member States to actively participate in the next edition of the AZHAB Forum;
14. **Calls on** ICDT and IsDB Group to continue their efforts in raising awareness of Member States on the importance of the WTO agreements and trade negotiations and their impacts

on their economies, and to strongly support and facilitate the accession of the OIC Member States to the WTO, and **invite** them to pool resources and coordinate their efforts to reinforce the human and institutional capacities of OIC Member States in WTO related matters;

15. **Welcomes** the Rabat Declaration, issued at the High-Level Ministerial Conference on Middle-Income Countries held in Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco, on 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> February, 2024, calling for the enhanced participation of these countries in global governance and the elevation of the Group of Friends of Middle-Income Countries to become an official governmental platform for dialogue, awareness, and coordination on developmental issues;
16. **Also welcomes** the outcomes of the Annual Meetings of the World Bank Group and the International Monetary Fund, held in Marrakech, Kingdom of Morocco, on 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, especially those related to climate finance and achieving sustainable development goals;
17. **Further welcomes** Morocco's Attainment of Sectoral Dialogue Partner Status with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), recognizing the dynamic partnerships between Morocco and Southeast Asian countries;
18. **Requests** ICDT, SESRIC and IsDB Group, in cooperation with other relevant OIC institutions/organs, including COMCEC Coordination Office (CCO), to develop capacity building and experience-sharing programmes to be implemented through effective networking among the national Investment and Trade Promotion Agencies (IPAs) in the OIC Member States;
19. **Also requests** SESRIC and IsDB Group to prepare, on an annual basis, an Investment Outlook Report, outlining the comparative situation of Member States, the trends in the investment ecosystem, priority sectors for investment, and the impacts of investment funds.

## **B. TOURISM SECTOR DEVELOPMENT**

**Pursuant to** the provisions of the OIC Framework for Development and Cooperation in the Domain of Tourism among OIC Member States adopted by 6<sup>th</sup> Islamic Conference of Tourism Ministers (ICTM) held in Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic, on 29<sup>th</sup> June – 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2008,

**Recalling** Resolution No.2/50-E adopted by 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024, with regard to tourism development in OIC Member States,

**Also recalling** the relevant resolutions of the COMCEC, especially those adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Reaffirming** the Strategic Roadmap for Development of Islamic Tourism in OIC Member States, adopted by the 10<sup>th</sup> ICTM, held in Dhaka, People's Republic of Bangladesh, on 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> February, 2018,

**Recognizing** the potential of tourism in promoting economic growth, social and cultural development, as well as decent job creation and entrepreneurship for all,

**Expressing appreciation** to the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan for hosting the 12<sup>th</sup> Islamic Conference of Tourism Ministers in Khiva, Uzbekistan, on 31<sup>st</sup> May -2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024,

**Further expressing its appreciation** to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for hosting the Sustainable Tourism Forum under the theme of “*Transforming Tourism for Community Development*”, held in Karachi, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, on 30<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> January

2025, organized by the ICCD in collaboration with the Pakistan Tourism Development Corporation (PTDC) and the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FPCCI),

**Commending** the efforts of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC) towards enhancing economic and commercial cooperation among the OIC Member States especially through the COMCEC Tourism Working Group and COMCEC Project Funding as well as COMCEC Al-Quds Program,

**Further commending** the contributions of the various OIC institutions in the development of the tourism sector,

1. **Welcomes** the offer of the State of Qatar to host the 13<sup>th</sup> Session of the ICTM in Doha in 2026, and **urges** all Member States to actively participate in this session;
2. **Urges** all Member States and relevant OIC institutions to implement the provisions of the Strategic Roadmap for Development of Islamic Tourism, and organize annual events on Islamic tourism in order to promote intra-OIC tourism flows, through inter alia, visa facilitation, investment promotion, branding and standardization, and capacity building;
3. **Welcomes** the joint initiative between the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Republic of Maldives to hold an International Forum under the theme "Integrity in Tourism," to be held in the Republic of Maldives during the period 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> May 2025, in cooperation with the OIC General Secretariat;
4. **Expresses** its appreciation to the Republic of Türkiye for hosting the 12<sup>th</sup> OIC/COMCEC Private Sector Forum on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024 under the theme: "Sustainable Destination Development and Management in OIC Countries";
5. **Welcomes** the hosting of the International Conference on Tourism Innovation and Investment in Marrakech, Kingdom of Morocco, on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025, organized by the Ministry of Tourism and Handicrafts of the Kingdom of Morocco, in cooperation with the World Tourism Organization, which emphasized in its conclusions the need to transform the tourism sector into a pillar of development, make innovation a central lever to attract visitors to several cities and tourist sites to benefit countries, as well as encourage investment in smart solutions and promote digital growth for companies operating in this field;
6. **Calls upon** OIC Member States to support the staging of OIC Tourism Fairs with the full participation and involvement of the Private Sector establishments and Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs);
7. **Calls upon** the OIC Member States to invest in and explore niche tourism markets and segments like young tourists, domestic tourism, Islamic tourism, and eco-tourism to broaden the base for tourism activities and support the recovery efforts in the sector;
8. **Invites** the relevant OIC institutions to organize training programmes and activities on new developments, regulations and opportunities in the tourism sector with a view to enhancing the capacities of national tourism stakeholders and policymakers in the OIC Member States;
9. **Calls upon** the OIC Member States to invest in 'digitalization' for promoting and marketing of their respective destinations as well as improving international visitors' experience in the tourism sector with a view to speeding up the recovery efforts and hosting more international tourists;

10. **Further Calls upon** the relevant OIC institutions such as ICDT, IRCICA, IsDB, ICESCO and ICCD to create a digital platform on which tourism promoting items such as handicrafts and art crafts could be posted for marketing and support to women, youth and rural and urban people in Member States involved in the production of these items.

## **C. PRIVATE SECTOR**

**Reaffirming** the relevant provisions of the Resolution No.2/50-E adopted by 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024,

**Taking note** of the relevant resolutions of the COMCEC, especially those adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Commending** the efforts of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC) towards enhancing cooperation among the OIC Member States in the area of private sector development especially through the COMCEC Working Groups, and the COMCEC Project Funding as well as COMCEC Al-Quds Program,

**Recognizing** that the private sector is the key driver of employment, growth, investment, trade and innovation and that it has a central role to play in achieving poverty reduction, sustainable development and inclusive growth,

**Expressing satisfaction** with the fact that by the end of 2023, the cumulative financing approvals of the Islamic Corporation for the Development of the Private Sector (ICD), since its inception in 1999, had reached US\$6.9 billion in support of private sector related projects in OIC Member States,

**Taking note** of the 40<sup>th</sup> General Assembly Meeting of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development (ICCD) held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024, which, among others, approved the establishment of two foundations, namely (1) Specialized Foundation for Women's Economic Empowerment; and (2) Specialized Foundation for the Entrepreneurship,

**Commending** ICCD for its efforts in promoting private sector development in OIC Member States by offering capacity building training programmes, investment platforms and advisory services to the private sector,

**Emphasizing** the importance of the private sector development for the promotion of trade among the OIC Member States at the regional and international level and that the role of the private sector in social and economic development is more critical than ever in the post-COVID-19 recovery phase,

**Taking into account** the report on activities of relevant OIC institutions, especially in the area of trade promotion, organization of specialized trade fairs and business forums, as well as capacity building workshops,

1. **Reiterates** the importance of improved regulatory environments and policy initiatives that promote entrepreneurship, including social entrepreneurship, and foster micro-, small and medium-sized enterprises;
2. **Welcomes** the on-going efforts by the General Secretariat, in collaboration with the relevant authorities in Jordan, to organize the OIC Private Sector Forum in Jordan during 2025;
3. **Calls upon** the Member States to encourage their relevant institutions to actively participate in the activities of the OIC Arbitration Centre, as an affiliate of the Islamic Chamber of

Commerce and Development, with a view to making use of services provided by the Centre to those who request them;

4. **Acknowledges** the need to make greater efforts to establish the right business framework to attract sustainable investment and further scale-up support for entrepreneurs, small and medium-sized enterprises, and start-ups;
5. **Affirms** the importance of involving the private sector actors in policy consultation and formulation with regard to regulations and ensuring that financial rules are open and accessible to all businesses, including small businesses programs that provide entrepreneurs with technological, managerial, and financial skills.

#### **D. TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT**

**Recalling** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, especially those goals relating to transport development issues,

**Also recalling** the Resolution on Cooperation in the field of Transportation among OIC Member States adopted by the First OIC Ministerial Conference on Transportation, which was held in Istanbul, Türkiye, on 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> September, 1987,

**Reaffirming** Resolution No. 2/50-E adopted by the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024, with regard to cooperation in the area of transportation,

**Recalling** the relevant resolutions of the COMCEC and the Resolution adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Also recalling** the First United Nations Global Sustainable Transport Conference held in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, on 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> November, 2016, and its Ashgabat Statement,

**Recognizing** the important role of efficient, reliable and affordable multimodal transport and transit corridors for the efficient movement of goods and people in supporting sustainable economic growth, improving the social welfare of people and enhancing cooperation and trade among OIC Member States,

**Further recognizing** the challenges and opportunities that transportation development presents to OIC Member States and the need for more cooperation and exchange of best practices in this direction,

**Emphasizing** the need to harmonize and improve transport and border-crossing infrastructure and facilities and services along the international transport and transit corridors,

**Also emphasizing** the need for the implementation of the OIC Dakar-Port Sudan Railway Project as a multimodal transport corridor, as well as other cross-border transport connectivity projects in OIC Member States,

**Recognizing** the importance of intra-OIC transport connectivity in facilitating access to markets, economic opportunities and social services to a number of countries spanning across the OIC Region, as well as contributing to economic development and poverty alleviation in OIC countries,

**Being conscious of** the fact that there is a need to strengthen transport networks among the OIC Member States through formulation and execution of joint projects,



**Mindful** of the need to increase the public and private investments in the development of transport infrastructure, and enhance efficiency in transport systems, which would contribute to economic growth and employment in OIC Member States,

**Commending** the efforts of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC) towards enhancing economic and commercial cooperation among the OIC Member States, especially through the COMCEC Transport and Communication Working Group, COMCEC Project Funding Mechanism as well as COMCEC Al-Quds Program,

**Also commending** the GCC Railway project as it will connect all six Gulf Cooperation Council Member States (Oman, United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and Kuwait), it being considered the second largest railway project in Asia and the region, destined to transport passengers and goods between all six countries and help boost intra-GCC trade,

**Taking note** of the outcome of the Second Stakeholders' Meeting on the OIC Dakar-Port Sudan Railway Project, which was held at the OIC Headquarters in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2025,

**Taking note with appreciation** of the efforts of the relevant institutions of the OIC, in particular the IsDB, within their respective mandates, to support development of transport infrastructure in OIC Member States,

1. **Decides** to hold the Second OIC Ministerial Conference on Transportation in the Republic of Türkiye in 2025/2026 and **urges** all Member States and OIC institutions/organs to actively participate in the said Conference;
2. **Also welcomes** the hosting by the Kingdom of Morocco of the Fourth Global Ministerial Conference on Road Safety, held in Marrakech, Kingdom of Morocco, from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> February 2025, organized by the Ministry of Transport and Logistics of the Kingdom of Morocco in cooperation with the World Health Organization, which culminated in the adoption of the 'Marrakech Declaration', a global roadmap to achieve real progress in reducing traffic accidents and saving lives for the decade 2021-2030, as well as the launching of the 'Mohammed VI Road Safety Award' worth US\$ 500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand US Dollars) to be awarded at all future editions of the Conference;
3. **Recognizes** the need for continued cooperation among OIC Member States to address the issues relating to transport and transit corridors as an important element of sustainable development **and** deepen trade and economic exchange among the OIC Member States, and **stresses** the importance of ensuring stability in the maritime navigation domain, with the aim of strengthening intra-OIC trade and advancing economic growth;
4. **Requests** holding specialized conferences and workshops on the development of the land transport sector and supporting logistics services, with the participation of stakeholders and experts from the OIC Member States. To this end, welcomes the proposal of the Ministry of Transport of the State of Qatar to host an event (Conference/Workshop) in 2025 to exchange experiences and best practices, given the successful experience of the State of Qatar in providing an efficient and environmentally friendly transport system for the 2022 World Cup;
5. **Calls on** Member States to develop stronger partnerships amongst themselves aimed at improving transportation infrastructure, including development of transport corridors and networks, enhancing connectivity and facilitating trade and investment in the OIC region;

6. **Also calls** on the concerned OIC Member States to include the respective national segments along the OIC Dakar-Port Sudan Railway corridor in their national development plans and to submit the relevant documents to facilitate the mobilization of necessary support by the OIC;
7. **Calls upon** Member States to give priority to the OIC Dakar-Port Sudan Railway project in their bilateral development assistance to the respective participating OIC countries;
8. **Reiterates its request** to Member States and respective OIC development agencies to assist project owners in securing external financial and in-kind support to fast-track the implementation of the various segments of the OIC Dakar-Port Sudan Railway corridor;
9. **Calls upon** Member States to further encourage enhanced networking and periodic consultation among their relevant authorities involved in the development and operation of international transport and transit corridors;
10. **Welcomes** the launching of the Pakistan-Iran-Türkiye Freight Transportation by road and rail from Pakistan to Türkiye and encourages other Member States of ITI Road Corridor i.e. Iran & Türkiye to start road transport operations from their countries, and the pilot project on Pakistan-Afghanistan-Uzbekistan road shipments to boost regional connectivity and trade;
11. **Urges** the Member States to enhance transport and communication infrastructure for the benefit of the poor and persons with disabilities, by developing joint action plans to improve these services;
12. **Commends** the structural projects initiated by the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, such as the Trans-Saharan Road project, connecting Lagos City, Federal Republic of Nigeria, to the Algerian capital and passing through four other countries, namely Mali, Mauritania, Niger and Chad, an initiative to link West Africa to North Africa; and the Tindouf-Waziriat Road Project, which will be a strategic link for enhancing economic cooperation between Algeria and Mauritania;
13. **Expresses its appreciation** for the decision of the Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria to host the Annual Meetings of the Islamic Development Bank in Algiers from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> May 2025 under the patronage of H.E the President of the Republic, Abdelmadjid Tebboune. One of the most important topics on the Meetings' agenda is the development of railway infrastructure as a key element in achieving sustainable economic growth, reducing environmental impact, improving quality of life and enhancing regional integration;
14. **Welcomes** the West African Highway project, which aims to connect Abidjan in Côte d'Ivoire to Lagos in Nigeria, crossing Ghana, Togo and Benin via the cities of Accra, Lomé and Cotonou, as well as the Highway Project Praia (Cabo-Verde)-Dakar (Senegal)-Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire);
15. **Commends** the Nigeria-Morocco Gas Pipeline Project, which connects 13 countries in West Africa, and **stresses** the importance of promoting investment in such projects and welcomes the signing by Morocco, Nigeria and the Economic Community of West African Countries (ECOWAS) in Rabat, Morocco, on 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2022, of a Memorandum of Understanding for the operationalization of this project as well as the signing by Morocco, Nigeria, Mauritania and Senegal, in Nouakchott, Mauritania, on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2022, of an agreement to facilitate the passage of the Nigeria-Morocco pipeline;

16. **Commends** the Global Rail Transport Infrastructure Exhibition and Conference, which took place in Abu Dhabi, UAE, from 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024, bringing together senior decision makers, actors and specialists in the field of transport and railways;
17. **Also commends** the efforts made by the GCC States to start the implementation of the Gulf Railway Project, which will contribute to Gulf interconnection and integration;
18. **Invites** Member States with comparative advantages to take initiatives aimed at capacity-building, exchange of best practices, raising awareness, and enhancing intra-OIC dialogue on transportation for the benefit of all Member States.

**E. GENERAL PROVISION:**

**Requests** the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this Resolution and submit a comprehensive report on each item appearing from A to D to the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 3/51-E**  
**ON**  
**POVERTY ALLEVIATION**

*The Fifty-First Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation under the Theme: “The OIC in a Transforming World” held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 21<sup>st</sup> –22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Dhul Al-Hajj 1446h),*

**Pursuant to** the Charter of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation on intensification of intra-OIC cooperation in the socio-economic domain,

**Recalling** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April 2016, which, among others, prioritizes poverty alleviation,

**Also recalling** the Final Communiqué of the 15<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Banjul, Republic of The Gambia, on 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> May, 2024,

**Further recalling** the General Agreement for Economic, Technical and Commercial Cooperation among Member States of the OIC, adopted as per Resolution No.1/8-E of the Eighth Session of CFM held in Tripoli, Libya, on 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> May, 1977,

**Reaffirming** the Agreement for Promotion, Protection and Guarantee of Investments among the OIC Member States, which was adopted by the Twelfth Session of CFM held in Baghdad, Iraq, on 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> June, 1981,

**Recalling** Resolution No.3/49-E adopted by 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Safar1446H),

**Reaffirming** the relevant resolutions of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC), especially those adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Remaining deeply concerned** that rising inflation, climate change and the impacts of the ongoing conflicts in some Member States will further exacerbate the living conditions of the vulnerable people and make poverty reduction even more challenging,

**Reaffirming** that eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty, is the greatest challenge facing many OIC Member States today and an indispensable requirement for sustainable development, particularly in the OIC Least Developed Countries, and **underlining** the importance of accelerating sustainable economic growth and development with a view to improving the people’s well-being, especially vulnerable groups, namely women, children and people with disabilities,

**Alarmed** by the increasing security deterioration in the Sahel Region and some other OIC countries part of which is attributable to poverty and unemployment among the youth,

**Also taking note** of the outcome of the Consultative Meeting with the African Group Member States of the OIC, which was held at the OIC Headquarters in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2022, particularly with regards to the implementation of the Special Programme for Development of Africa and the need for a successor programme after a comprehensive evaluation of the first one,

**Recognizing** the importance of supporting OIC Member States in their efforts to eradicate poverty in all its forms and dimensions, and to promote the empowerment of the poor and people in vulnerable situations,

**Commending** the various initiatives launched by OIC Member States towards strengthening economic cooperation among the OIC Member States and their respective support for the implementation of relevant OIC resolutions,

**Also commending** the Islamic Solidarity Fund (ISF) and Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) for their poverty alleviation efforts,

**Further commending the efforts of** the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC) towards enhancing economic and commercial cooperation among the OIC Member States especially through the COMCEC Poverty Alleviation Working Group, and the COMCEC Project Funding Mechanism as well as COMCEC Al-Quds Program,

**Having considered** the Report of the Secretary General,

1. **Stresses** the importance of taking targeted measures to eradicate poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty, in low- and middle-income countries that are now home to two-thirds of the world's poor, and encourages Member States to provide social protection to citizens and communities living in abject poverty and to continue to develop and implement anti-poverty programmes based on national priorities, paying particular attention to empowering the poor and people in vulnerable situations;
2. **Welcomes** the ongoing work by the relevant OIC institutions to support the national efforts of OIC Member States to alleviate poverty and, in this regard, **emphasizes** the need to increase, within their respective mandates, programmes and projects aimed at developing capacities of OIC Member States and supporting their national strategies that address poverty eradication and promote sustainable economic growth;
3. **Also welcomes** the outcomes of the Saudi-African Summit held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, in November 2023, during which the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia announced of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques' Initiative for African Development, worth more than US\$ 1 billion, Saudi investments in the African continent totaling US\$ 25.6 billion, the financing of development projects for African countries from the Saudi Fund for Development up to 2030 with a total value of US\$ 5 billion, and financing and insuring exports from the Kingdom up to 2030 with a total value of US\$ 10 billion, which will contribute to the development and support of African countries;
4. **Commends** the efforts of King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Center in Saudi Arabia to provide aid and implement poverty alleviation projects for 86 affected countries around the world, in cooperation with 175 partners from among international, UN and regional organizations;
5. **Welcomes** the signing by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia of more than 80 agreements and memoranda of cooperation with several African countries, which will enhance economic and developmental aspects such as agriculture, tourism, renewable energy, investment, and others;
6. **Emphasizes** the efforts made by the Saudi Fund for Development in the development and relief of all Member States suffering from the effects of the pandemic, poverty, and hunger;

7. **Encourages** OIC Member States to promote exchange of views and experiences amongst themselves in the context of poverty alleviation and promoting sustainable economic development; digitization of social protection programmes; social protection for informal workers; and adaptive social protection to make it look more attainable to recent developments in poverty alleviation efforts;
8. **Supports** community dialogue to further consolidate visions and clarify the commitments of all parties in order to develop the operation process, provide decent work opportunities, achieve social justice and sustainable development;
9. **Urges** Member States to strengthen cooperation efforts within the framework of the "Global Alliance for Social Justice" to protect vulnerable groups, reduce inequalities and provide equal opportunities through effective coordination with all partners, professional organizations and governments;
10. **Requests** the IsDB Group to prepare an assessment report on the implementation of the Special Programme for Development of Africa and submit it to the concerned Member States at the earliest.

**A. ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY FUND FOR DEVELOPMENT (ISFD):**

**Recalling** the relevant provisions of the Final Communique of the 15<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference, held in Banjul, Republic of The Gambia, on the 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> May, 2024, with regard to the need to mobilize resources for the Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD),

**Reaffirming** its relevant Resolutions on the mobilization of funds for the ISFD, particularly the Resolution No.3/50-E adopted by 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024,

**Also reaffirming** the relevant resolutions of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC), especially those adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Expressing its appreciation** to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for its generous support to the Fund to alleviate poverty in the IsDB member countries,

**Noting** that a total of 48 OIC Member States and IsDB Group have made capital contribution pledges to ISFD amounting to US\$2.6 billion, which represents only 26% of the approved target capital of US\$10 billion,

**Also noting** that 31 OIC Member States and IsDB Group have paid their contribution pledges in full, while 8 OIC Member States paid their contribution pledges partially, and the other 9 OIC Member States have yet to pay their contribution pledges,

**Further noting** that the ISFD is still constrained by the low level of mobilized resources, compared to its approved target capital of US\$10 billion,

**Commending** the allocation of a plot of land each by Benin, Burkina Faso, Comoros and Côte d'Ivoire to ISFD under the Waqf Programme,

**Noting** that the cumulative value of the various interventions on poverty alleviation projects through ISFD amounted to US\$ 1.23 billion as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023,

**Recognizing** that the main mandate of the ISFD is to contribute to development of sustainable infrastructure and fostering community-led development in OIC Member States,

**Emphasizing** the need for further mobilisation of funds in order to make-up for the funding gap of US\$ 7.4 billion to ISFD, as a crucial way of expanding its activities towards alleviating poverty, improving social services and infrastructures in OIC Member States, through diversification of resources,

**Also emphasizing** that international funding plays an important role in complementing the efforts of OIC countries to mobilize public resources domestically, especially in the OIC least developed countries with limited domestic resources, to finance national development programmes,

1. **Renews its call on** OIC Member States, which have not done so, to redeem fully their respective capital contribution pledges to ISFD and to consider making additional commitments on a voluntary basis, including allocation of Waqf land in favour of ISFD, so as to achieve its target capital of US\$ 10 billion;
2. **Also calls upon** OIC Member States, which have not made any capital contribution commitment to ISFD, to make their respective pledges to ISFD in the spirit of solidarity and mutual assistance;
3. **Further calls on** OIC Member States to support relevant OIC institutions towards enhancing partnership with the private sector establishments in OIC Member States with a view to mobilizing additional funds to ISFD;
4. **Invites** the Secretary General to continue to report on the activities of ISFD.

## **B. DEVELOPMENT OF ISLAMIC SOCIAL FINANCE**

**Reaffirming** the relevant provisions of the Charter of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation that encourage activities for increasing intra-OIC socio-economic cooperation,

**Recalling** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, which, among others, prioritizes the development of Islamic financial products,

**Recalling** the General Agreement for Economic, Technical and Commercial Cooperation among the OIC Member States, adopted as per Resolution No.1/8-E of the Eighth Session of CFM held in Tripoli, Libya, on 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> May, 1977,

**Also recalling** the relevant provisions of the Resolutions on Economic Issues adopted by 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024,

**Being conscious of** the fact that 11.8% of the total population in the OIC Member States are still living below the income poverty threshold of US\$2.15 a day, thus emphasizing the need to mobilize additional sources to support the programmes relating to poverty alleviation,

**Recognizing** that Islamic social finance can potentially meet the resource gap for poverty alleviation and addressing the problem of financial exclusion in OIC Member States,

**Taking note** of the outcome of the Forum on Islamic Social Finance, held in Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia, on 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> November, 2019,

**Appreciating** the initiative of the Government of the Republic of Indonesia, in collaboration with the International Islamic Fiqh Academy, in organizing the International Conference on “*Islamic Social Finance: Fiqh Perspective*” in Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia, on 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2021,

**Acknowledging** that Islamic social finance tools, such as waqf and zakat, can effectively support the social-economic development programs in OIC Member States when it is properly developed, managed and utilized with transparency, accountability and efficiency,

**Noting with appreciation** the outcome of the Seminar on the theme: *Akhuwat's Business Model for Microfinance Interventions in the OIC Member States*, which was organized by the General Secretariat, in collaboration with IsDB and a Pakistan-based Akhuwat Foundation, in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023,

**Commending** the continuous efforts of IsDB Group, particularly Islamic Development Bank Institute (IsDBI), towards developing the Islamic social finance sector in OIC Member States as well as documenting national experiences in this direction,

1. **Requests** Member States to create the necessary legal and regulatory environment and supporting infrastructure in order to promote the development of Islamic social finance, so as to increase its impact on the economy and realize its full potential in addressing poverty;
2. **Invites** Member States, which have developed an effectively functioning Islamic social finance sector, to share their experiences and best practices with other Member States with a view to promoting the development of this sector in these countries for the benefit of those living in poverty;
3. **Also invites** the relevant OIC institutions to provide necessary training and technical support to OIC Member States on the development of Islamic social finance, including its mainstreaming into the national poverty alleviation strategies;
4. **Encourages** Member States to indicate their interest in hosting the international seminars to create awareness and offer opportunities for discussing issues among the stakeholders on how to further promote the development of the Islamic social finance sector in OIC Member States;
5. **Also encourages** interested Member States to benefit from the Akhuwat Foundation's knowledge and experiences in establishing interest-free microfinance models.

**C. GENERAL PROVISION**

**Requests** the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this Resolution and submit a comprehensive report on each item appearing from A to B to the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 4/51-E**  
**ON**  
**ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO OIC MEMBER STATES AND**  
**MUSLIM COMMUNITIES IN DISPUTED/OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND NON-OIC**  
**COUNTRIES WITHIN THE OIC MANDATE**

*The Fifty-First Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation under the Theme: “The OIC in a Transforming World” held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 21<sup>st</sup> –22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Dhul Al-Hajj 1446h),*

**Recalling** the relevant provisions of the Charter of Organization of Islamic Cooperation on enhancing and strengthening the bond of unity and solidarity among Member States,

**Also recalling** the Final Communiqué of the 15<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Banjul, Republic of the Gambia, on 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> May, 2024,

**Reaffirming** Resolution No.4/48-E adopted by 48<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Islamabad, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, on 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2022, Resolution No.4/49-E adopted by 49<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Nouakchott, Islamic Republic of Mauritania, on 16<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2023, and 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Safar 1446H), with regard to Economic Assistance to the OIC Member States and Muslim Communities in Disputed/Occupied and non-OIC countries within the OIC mandate,

**Believing** that the over-all objective of the economic assistance is to increase the capacity of needy OIC countries to pursue their development,

**Also recognizing** that the effective use of development assistance is central to a partnership for development in support of the achievement of the OIC development goals, including OIC-2025: Programme of Action,

**Desirous** of contributing to the creation of conditions for the promotion of the economic and social progress of OIC Member States, especially its least developed countries,

**Being concerned** about the obstacles OIC Member States face in mobilizing the resources needed to finance their sustainable socio-economic development,

**Expressing appreciation** to the governments of the Kingdom of Bahrain, Arab Republic of Egypt, Republic of Iraq, Republic of Kazakhstan, State of Kuwait, State of Qatar, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of Tunisia and Republic of Türkiye for their economic and technical assistance to other Member States of the OIC,

**Welcoming** the establishment of the Indonesian Agency for International Development and its development cooperation fund as part of Indonesia’s commitment to economic and technical assistance to developing countries, including but not limited to OIC Member States,

**Bearing in mind** the requests for assistance on the part of the needy OIC Member States,

**Commending** the OIC Member States, which provided financial and technical assistance in support of the various development projects in the needy OIC Member States and other non-OIC countries,

**Also commending** the support of the Islamic Development Bank Group to OIC Member States and Muslim Communities in non-OIC countries in achieving their development objectives,

1. **Calls on** OIC Member States and other potential donors to continue to assist the needy OIC Member States and Muslim Communities in non-OIC countries in their efforts to achieve sustainable economic growth in line with the ideals of partnership, mutual assistance and solidarity among OIC Member States;
2. **Commends** the initiatives of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia by cancelling debts owed by Least Developed Countries to the tune of US\$6 billion based on humanitarian considerations;
3. **Also commends** the generous donation of SAR 20 million by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, bringing its total donation to Member States to more than US\$ 147 million, in support of the OIC initiative for COVID-19 vaccine access to its Least Developed Countries (LDCs), in the coordination of King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Centre;
4. **Invites** well-endowed OIC Member States to develop capacity-building and technical assistance programmes for the benefit of needy OIC Member States, especially the Least Developed Countries as well as facilitate appropriate technology transfer to develop and implement national development strategies;
5. **Renews its earlier calls on** OIC Member States to submit, on an annual basis, information on their respective assistances pursuant to the present and previous resolutions on this matter;
6. **Requests** the IsDB Group to prepare an assessment report on the implementation of the Special Programme for Central Asia and submit it to the concerned Member States.

**A. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO OIC MEMBER STATES**

**i. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN:**

**Confirming** full solidarity of the OIC Member States with the Government and people of Azerbaijan at this very critical time of the country's history,

**Referring** to the relevant UN Security Council Resolutions regarding the conflict between Armenia and Azerbaijan,

**Deploring** the continued consequences of the armed aggression by Armenia against the Republic of Azerbaijan, which resulted in violent displacement of almost one million Azerbaijani people from their homes, which, as such, resembles the terrible concept of ethnic cleansing,

**Being conscious** of the fact that the economic damage inflicted upon Azerbaijan as a result of decades-long aggression by Armenia has exceeded US\$60 billion,

**Expressing** dismay over the scale of destruction in the territories of Azerbaijan during occupation and massive contamination of these territories with landmines and other explosive devices,

**Welcoming and appreciating** the financial and humanitarian assistance extended by some Member States, Islamic Development Bank and other Islamic Institutions, as well as United Nations institutions and international organizations over the past years,

**Expressing satisfaction** on liberation of the territories of Azerbaijan, which will allow to eliminate severe humanitarian problems concerning the existence of more than one million displaced persons in the territory of the Republic of Azerbaijan through enabling them to return to their homes in safety, honor and dignity,

1. **Appeals** to the Member States, Islamic Development Bank and other Islamic Institutions as well as all other States to extend their assistance to the Government and People of Azerbaijan in their efforts to rehabilitate and reconstruct the liberated territories which severely suffered from the consequences of aggression by Armenia with a view to enabling the safe and dignified return of the displaced persons;
2. **Calls upon** the International organisations to continue to support economic and social development activities of Azerbaijan, including addressing the serious humanitarian challenge posed by contamination with landmines and other explosive remnants of war.

**B. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO MUSLIM MINORITIES AND COMMUNITIES IN DISPUTED/OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND NON-OIC COUNTRIES WITHIN THE OIC MANDATE**

**i. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO THE PEOPLE OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR:**

**Recalling** all previous resolutions of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation on assistance to the Kashmiri people, particularly Resolution 4/48-E of the 48<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, Resolution 4/49-E of the 49<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, and Resolution 4/50-E of the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Safar 1446H),

**Expressing** deep sympathy for the people of Indian illegally occupied Jammu & Kashmir (IIOJ&K), who have suffered tremendous loss of life and livelihood under decades of Indian illegal occupation,

**Underscoring** that the illegal Indian actions of 5<sup>th</sup> August 2019, were meant to disenfranchise the Kashmiri people of their political rights and to deny them of their economic and social rights as natives of the occupied territory,

**Deploring** that subsequent Indian actions including the issuance of over 4.2 million domiciles to non-Kashmiri Indian citizens, enactment of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization Act 2019 and the gerrymandering of electoral constituencies, which were part of the systematic attempts to change the demographic structure and political landscape of the Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir and to turn its Muslim majority into a minority,

**Expressing** deep concern that the Covid-19 pandemic aggravated the grave human rights and humanitarian situation in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu & Kashmir in the wake of illegal Indian actions of 5<sup>th</sup> August 2019, and the cumulative effect of the "double lockdown" was estimated to be a loss worth US\$9.5 billion to the economy of Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir,

**Acknowledging** the interest shown by the Secretary General's former Special Representative on Jammu and Kashmir, Ambassador Abdullah Alim, in extending financial assistance for development projects in Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) during his visit to the Region in May 2016,

**Expressing gratitude** to all Member States, which have been supportive of the Kashmiris and their legitimate struggle for self-determination,

**Welcoming** the visits of the Secretary General's Special Envoy on Jammu and Kashmir to Pakistan and the Azad Jammu and Kashmir, in March 2020, in November 2021, in December 2022, in October 2023, in April 2025 and the Assistant Secretary General for Humanitarian Affairs in November 2021,

**Further expressing deep appreciation** for the assistance extended to the Kashmiris by some Member States and relevant OIC bodies,

1. **Calls** for expeditious implementation of the recommendations contained in the reports of OIC Secretary General's Special Representatives for Jammu and Kashmir on visits to Azad Jammu and Kashmir in May 2016, March 2020, November 2021, and October 2023;
2. **Also calls** for expeditious implementation of the recommendations of the report by the Assistant Secretary General for Humanitarian Affairs on the egregious violations of international human rights and humanitarian standards in the IIOJK with particular reference to the COVID-19 pandemic;
3. **Encourages** the Islamic Solidarity Fund and Islamic Development Bank to finance through grants/soft loans, development projects in Azad Jammu and Kashmir;
4. **Appeals** to Member States and Islamic institutions, such as the Islamic Solidarity Fund, Islamic Development Bank and Charitable Institutions, to grant generous humanitarian assistance to the Kashmiri people;
5. **Urges** Member States and the Islamic institutions, in particular, the Islamic Development Bank, to develop programmes for providing scholarships to the Kashmiri students in different universities and institutions in the OIC countries, and beyond;
6. **Encourages** the international community, particularly donor countries, international financial institutions and relevant international organizations from the Islamic World to continue to provide necessary funds and assistance to support the ongoing efforts for economic uplift of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, and requests the Secretary General to consider the establishment of a dedicated mechanism to this end, and to report on the progress made during the next Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

**C. GENERAL PROVISION:**

**Requests** the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this Resolution and submit a comprehensive report on each item appearing from A to B to the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 5/51-E**  
**ON**  
**IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISIONS OF THE COMCEC**

*The Fifty-First Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation under the Theme: “The OIC in a Transforming World” held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 21<sup>st</sup> –22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Dhul Al-Hajj 1446h),*

**Recalling** the Final Communiqué of the 15<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Summit Conference, held in Banjul, Republic of The Gambia, on 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> May, 2024, which commended the role of the COMCEC under the chairmanship of the President of the Republic of Türkiye, in contributing to the realization of OIC objectives in the economic domain and highly commended the successful implementation of the COMCEC Strategy adopted at the Fourth Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference,

**Also recalling** the relevant Resolutions of the Islamic Summit Conferences, the Council of Foreign Ministers (CFM) and the COMCEC, the 4<sup>th</sup> Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference, the COMCEC Economic Summit in 2009, the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC,

**Reaffirming** the commitment of all Member States to the OIC-2025: Programme of Action adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Summit Conference held on 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, in Istanbul, Türkiye, and to the COMCEC Strategy adopted by the 4<sup>th</sup> Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference held on 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> August, 2012, in Makkah Al- Mukarramah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia,

**Recalling** the objectives and mandate of the COMCEC in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the Islamic Summit and the COMCEC Statute, including to serve as the central forum for the Member States to discuss international economic and commercial issues,

**Taking note** of the submission of the progress reports, working papers and studies on the different agenda items by the OIC General Secretariat, the COMCEC Coordination Office, the Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Center for Islamic Countries (SESRIC), the Islamic Center for Development of Trade (ICDT), the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) Group, Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS), the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development (ICCD) and the Standards and Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC),

**Expressing** its appreciation to the Member States for hosting Ministerial Conferences, Meetings, workshops, fairs and other activities in the cooperation areas,

**Commending** the efforts made by the OIC General Secretariat, the COMCEC Coordination Office and the OIC institutions working in the area of economic and commercial cooperation, namely SESRIC, ICDT, IsDB Group (IsDB, ICD, ITFC, ICIEC), IOFS, OIC Labour Centre, ICCD and SMIIC,

**Having considered** the Report of the Secretary General,

1. **Renews** its request to the Member States to further their efforts for the implementation of COMCEC’s Resolutions, including the resolutions of the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC No.OIC/COMCEC/40-24/RES as annexed hereto, in a manner consistent with the OIC Charter (*Annex. I*);

2. **Requests** the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this Resolution and submit a comprehensive report thereon to the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 6/51-E**  
**ON**  
**THE ACTIVITIES OF THE RELEVANT OIC INSTITUTIONS**  
**WORKING IN THE ECONOMIC DOMAIN**

*The Fifty-First Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation under the Theme: “The OIC in a Transforming World” held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 21<sup>st</sup> –22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Dhul Al-Hajj 1446h),*

**Pursuant** to the relevant provisions of the Charter of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation on follow-up of the implementation of OIC decisions, resolutions and recommendations, including coordination and harmonization of the work of relevant OIC organs,

**Reaffirming** the Resolution on Activities of the OIC Institutions Working in the Economic Domain adopted by the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024,

**Also reaffirming** the relevant resolutions of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC), especially those adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Emphasizing** the importance of pooling efforts to serve joint Islamic action under the umbrella of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, and avoiding the dispersion of efforts in order to promote cooperation and integration among the OIC Member States, in coordination with the Member States and according to their national priorities and in a way that is not contradictory to the objectives of the Organization’s Charter and the relevant ministerial resolutions,

**Recalling** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, particularly the role of OIC institutions working in the economic domain towards attaining the goals of the Programme in the economic domain,

**Taking note** of the outcome of the Eighth Annual Coordination Meeting of OIC Institutions (ACMOI) held at the OIC General Secretariat Headquarters in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024,

**Taking into** account the reports on activities of the various OIC institutions in the economic domain, namely: COMCEC Coordination Office, SESRIC, ICDT, IsDB Group, IOFS, OIC Labour Centre, ICCD, SMIIC and IFHAB,

**Having considered** the Report of the Secretary General as well as the report of the Joint General Assembly of the Subsidiary Organs,

**A. STATISTICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING CENTRE FOR ISLAMIC COUNTRIES (SESRIC)**

**Recalling** Resolution No.2/8-EC adopted by the Eighth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers held in Tripoli, Libya in May, 1977, with regard to the creation of the Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC),

**Conscious of** the SESRIC’s role in preparing background technical reports and studies on the various agenda items of the relevant OIC Ministerial Conferences and meetings,

**Acknowledging** the noticeable increase in the number and themes of the reports and studies as well as statistical data and publications of the SESRIC in the recent years,

**Lauding** the unwavering and comprehensive support of SESRIC, as the Secretariat of the OIC Statistical Commission (OIC-StatCom) since its establishment in 2011, for facilitating the organisation of its annual sessions attended at the highest level by the national statistics authorities of the Member Countries and developing relevant strategic documents as well as implementing the flagship statistical capacity development activities for improving the national statistical systems of the Member Countries, thereby empowering the member countries to harness data as a catalyst towards sustainable development,

**Welcoming with great appreciation** the continuous efforts of SESRIC towards initiating and implementing a wide range of capacity building programmes and training courses in different fields and areas of interest to the Member States with a view to enhancing systematically the capacities and quality of their national institutions and human resources as well as facilitating the flow of experience and best practice sharing among the related institutions,

**Taking note** of the outcome of the 48<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Directors of SESRIC, held in Ankara, Türkiye, on 23<sup>rd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> January, 2025,

**Having taken note** of the Report of the Secretary General as well as the report of the Joint General Assembly of the Subsidiary Organs,

1. **Commends** SESRIC for the preparation of various technical background reports and studies, which are regularly submitted to, and presented at, the relevant OIC sectoral Ministerial Conferences and Standing Committees;
2. **Calls upon** the Member States to take note of the recommendations and proposals outlined in the reports and studies of SESRIC submitted to the relevant OIC Ministerial Conferences and meetings;
3. **Invites** SESRIC to continue conducting joint research projects with relevant national, regional and international research institutions, think-tanks and universities focusing on developmental issues of interest to the Member States with a view to generating proposals that will initiate and enhance cooperation among them;
4. **Calls upon** SESRIC to initiate research projects on emerging socio-economic development challenges hindering Members States' progress towards achieving the SDGs, particularly those stipulated in the OIC-2025 Programme of Action;
5. **Commends** SESRIC for its continuous efforts in developing statistical publications, including the recently prepared OIC Key Figures report, which provides essential insights into the socio-economic landscape of OIC Member Countries and supports evidence-based decision-making;
6. **Appreciates** SESRIC's ongoing efforts in implementing capacity building programmes and training activities on a wide-range of socio-economic sectors tailored to the specific needs of the national institutions of the Member States, and **calls upon** the Member States to actively participate in these activities and programmes, which significantly contribute to enhancing human capital in the OIC Member States;
7. **Further reminds** Resolution 13.2 of the 24<sup>th</sup> Session of COMCEC in 2008 deciding on the establishment of the Monitoring and Advisory Committee of the OIC-VET Programme, entrusting SESRIC to take on the role of the Executing OIC Organ (EO) for the programme



and requesting the IsDB to support the participation of low-income member countries in this programme and Resolution 84 of the 25<sup>th</sup> Session of COMCEC welcoming the significant role played by the IsDB in the implementation of this programme and requesting IsDB to contribute to the funding of the Programme, and **urges** the Member States to designate National Focal Points (NFPs) for the programme and calls upon the Member States to actively engage in and support the various capacity-building activities organised under the OIC-VET Programme, aimed at enhancing capacities and the quality of TVET systems in the OIC region;

8. **Calls upon** the Member States and relevant OIC institutions to actively contribute and participate in the various capacity building programmes of SESRIC in the economic domain, including, but not limited to, Central Banks Capacity Building Programme (CB-CaB), Occupational Safety and Health Capacity Building Programme (OSH-CaB), Public Employment Services Capacity Building Programme (PES-CaB), Social Security Institutions Capacity Building Programme (SSI-CaB), and Stock Exchanges Capacity Building Programme (SE-CaB), and commends the newly launched capacity-building programmes namely: Halal Capacity Building Programme (HALAL-CaB), Palestine National Institutions Capacity Building Programme (PALESTINE-CaB), and Digital Transformation Capacity Building Programme (DIGI-CaB), tackling emerging issues like Artificial Intelligence (AI) for sustainable development, thereby contributing to their efforts toward resilient and future-ready economies;
9. **Urges** SESRIC and the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) Group to enhance and increase their cooperation to facilitate the implementation of a wide range of activities such as joint research, trainings, workshops, Reverse Linkage projects, meetings and so on within the framework of their respective programmes and initiatives;
10. **Appreciates** the efforts of SESRIC in assuming a significant role in the work of two Intra-OIC Networks, namely, OIC Occupational Safety and Health Network (OIC-OSHNET) and OIC Public Employment Services Network (OIC-PESNET), through providing facilitation and necessary technical support and invites the Member States to actively participate in the activities organised within the framework of these important networks;
11. **Welcomes** the launch of two new networks: the OIC Social Security Institutions Network (OIC-SSINET) and the Small and Medium Enterprises Network (OIC-SMENET) and urges the Member States to engage in their meetings and capacity building activities to advance these important domains;
12. **Commends** SESRIC for successfully implementing three projects in 2024 through the COMCEC Project Funding mechanism, namely:
  - Empowering Youth through Enhancing Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET): A Pathway to Employment and Success;
  - Strengthening the Capacities of African Tourism Boards through Sustainable Human Resource Management Practices;
  - Promoting Food Security in OIC Member Countries through Sustainable Agricultural Inputs.
13. **Calls upon** the Member States to cooperate with SESRIC in designing and implementing new project proposals under the different cooperation areas of the COMCEC to better utilise this important mechanism and address existing challenges;

14. **Commends** the continuous efforts of SESRIC in cooperation with the Member States towards enhancing the technical capacities of National Statistics Offices (NSOs) of the OIC Member States within the framework of the Centre's Statistical Capacity Building Programme (StatCaB) on various economic statistics domains and calls upon the NSOs of the Member States to actively participate in the annual sessions of the OIC Statistical Commission (OIC-StatCom) and contribute in the achievement of strategic objectives outlined under the Strategic Vision of the OIC-StatCom for 2030 and Programme of Action for 2021-2025;
15. **Lauds** SESRIC for continuing to host the OIC Statistics (OICStat) Database, a comprehensive repository offering data over 1,800 socio-economic indicators across 27 categories covering various economic domains with data back to 1970; appreciates SESRIC for the continuous improvements and technological advancements in the OICSTAT Database, including the expansion of indicators, enhanced user interface, and the integration of new analytical tools that facilitate more efficient data access and utilization, and recognizes the database as a vital resource for evidence-based policymaking, supporting socio-economic development and strategic planning across the OIC Member States;
16. **Takes note of with great satisfaction** the major role undertaken by SESRIC, in coordination with the OIC General Secretariat, in preparing the annual progress reports and the final report on the implementation of the OIC Programme of Action 2025, and further acknowledges SESRIC's significant contributions to the formulation of the upcoming OIC Programme of Action 2026-2035, particularly in defining strategic goals and identifying indicators in relevant socio-economic areas, while also making meaningful contributions to the Intergovernmental Expert Group Meetings throughout the process;
17. **Calls upon** the Member States to regularly provide SESRIC with timely and comprehensive data whenever requested as data is key to any development efforts of the Member States;
18. **Recognizes** the difficulties the Centre faces in preparing its proposed budget due to the uncertainty about the actual realisation of mandatory contributions from Member States during the financial year;
19. **Urges** the Member States, which have not done so thus far, for the on-time and regular payment of their annual mandatory contributions to the budget of the Centre, and to act for the settlement of their outstanding arrears, if any, at the earliest.

**B. ISLAMIC CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE (ICDT)**

**Recalling** the Resolution No.2/3-E (IS) adopted by the Third Islamic Summit Conference held in Makkah Al-Mukarramah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on the 25<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> January 1981, with regard to the creation of the Islamic Center for Development of Trade (ICDT),

**Bearing in mind** the outcomes of the ACMOI Sub-Committee on Trade and Investment (TISC) Meeting, which was held in Marrakech, Kingdom of Morocco, on the 8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2022, and the 8<sup>th</sup> ACMOI held in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024,

**Noting with appreciation** the organization by ICDT, in collaboration with IsDB and BADEA, of ICDT Invest Days in Mauritania in Nouakchott, on 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> March, 2023,

**Also noting with appreciation** the organization by ICDT of ICDT Invest Days in Banjul, The Gambia, on 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2024,

**Noting with satisfaction** the organization by ICDT of webinars on SMEs Development; the Capacity-Building Program on Women Empowerment; Market Access and Value Chain Management during 2023 for the benefit of OIC Member States,

**Expressing its appreciation** to ICDT and IsDB for organizing Workshops on: Digitalization of Foreign Trade Procedure in Djibouti, Djibouti, on 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2023, and Exploring a SME Cooperation Network among the OIC Member States in Istanbul, Türkiye, on 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2023,

**Also expressing its appreciation** to ICDT, for organizing, in collaboration with the General Secretariat and IsDB, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Intergovernmental Group of Experts (IGGE) Meeting on the Protocol of Establishment of a Permanent Mechanism for the Settlement of Investment Disputes in Casablanca, Morocco, on 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023,

**Further expressing its appreciation** to ICDT for organising ICDT Invest Days Banjul in the Republic of The Gambia on 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024, and ICDT Invest Days Yaoundé in the Republic of Cameroon, on 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> September 2024,

**Noting with satisfaction** the organization by ICDT, in collaboration with SESRIC, of the Training Webinar on the Prospects of Sustainable Tourism in OIC Countries on 1<sup>st</sup> -2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2022, and Training on the Prospects of Health Tourism in OIC Countries on 8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2022,

**Also noting with appreciation** the organization by ICDT, in collaboration with IsDB and BADEA, the Forum of the OIC Investment Promotion Agencies on Policy Dialogue in Dakar, Senegal, on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2022, and the OIC -Senegal Investment Forum in Dakar, Senegal, on 16<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2022,

**Further noting with appreciation** the organization by ICDT, in collaboration with SMIIC, the Training Program on Halal Certification for African Countries in Dakar, Senegal, on 15<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> June, 2022,

**Noting with appreciation** ICDT's Annual Report on Investment Climate and Opportunities in OIC Countries; Reports on: Business Support Network for Improving Competitiveness of SMEs in OIC Countries, Trans Maghreb Multimodal Corridor Action Plan (Phase II: From Transport to Trade Corridor), Sudan-Chad Trade Connectivity, Sustainable and Digital Trade Facilitation for OIC Asian Countries and Gastronomy and Health Tourism; OIC Halal Economy Report 2023 and **taking note** of their related recommendations,

**Cognizant** of the monitoring reports on the World Trade Organization (WTO) matters, which were prepared and submitted by ICDT and IsDB in compliance with the decision of the 14<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC,

**Welcoming** the initiative of ICDT and IsDB to implement OIC IPAs capacity development programme (2022-2025), in particular implementing the program for IPAs of Mauritania and Chad during 2022-2025,

**Taking note** of the outcomes of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of ICDT's Board of Directors held on 9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2025,

**Having considered** the activity report submitted by the ICDT,

1. **Calls upon** the Member States to keep on providing the ICDT with data relating to trade and investment statistics and regulations, and **entrusts** ICDT to follow up the issue of the

expansion of intra-OIC trade to reach 25% by 2025 and report to the COMCEC and other OIC fora;

2. **Also calls on** IsDB and ICDT to conduct workshops and analytical studies on new issues of WTO such as electronic commerce, MSMEs internationalization and exports strategies, health, fisheries subsidies, agriculture, domestic regulations, trade information sharing and investment facilitation for development, TIR/eTIR, CMR/eCMR, ePhyto, e-Certificate of Origin, e-Health certificate for fisheries, Women and Trade, OIC Countries Acceding to WTO, trade in services, and etc.;
3. **Further calls on** Members of the ACMOI Sub-Committee on Trade and Investment (TISC) to implement recommendations of the TISC Meeting, which was held in Marrakesh, Kingdom of Morocco, on 8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2022, and those adopted by the 8<sup>th</sup> ACMOI held in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, on 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> December 2024;
4. **Welcomes** the initiative of ICDT to organise, in collaboration with COMCEC Coordination Office, during 2025 awareness-raising webinars on TPS-OIC for the benefit of OIC Member States;
5. **Welcomes** the offers of the Member States to organize, in collaboration with ICDT, the following exhibitions and encourages Member States and Private Sector entities to actively participate in these events:
  - i) “5<sup>th</sup> OIC Health Expo” in Dakar, Republic of Senegal, in 2025;
  - ii) “10<sup>th</sup> OIC Halal Expo” in Tunis, Republic of Tunisia, in 2025; and
  - iii) “18<sup>th</sup> OIC Trade Fair” in Lahore, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, in 2025.
6. **Urges** IsDB and ICDT to carry on their efforts in raising the awareness of the OIC Member States of the importance of the WTO agreements and trade negotiations and their impacts on their economies, and **calls upon** IsDB and ICDT to pool together and coordinate their efforts to reinforce the human and institutional capacities of the OIC Member States in WTO related matters, in particular, WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement, General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) and Trade Remedies Measures, so as to facilitate their full integration into the multilateral trading system on an equitable and fair basis;
7. **Calls on** ICDT, in close cooperation with IsDB Group, to continue extending their technical assistance to the OIC Member States in the context of the multilateral trade negotiations and coordinate the positions of the OIC Member States within the WTO;
8. **Entrusts** IsDB Group and ICDT to monitor matters relating to WTO activities and report them to the annual sessions of the COMCEC and other concerned fora;
9. **Calls on** ICDT to carry on holding more sector-specific exhibitions and to keep on utilizing professional expertise in these activities, especially in the area of tourism, Halal industry, agribusiness, green economy, health products and services, higher education services, maritime economy, social and solidarity economy, cotton, textiles and garments, furniture, interior decoration and building, logistics and transportation, and to submit regular progress reports to the relevant OIC fora;
10. **Urges** ICDT to carry on providing technical assistance and organizing training and awareness raising seminars on the TPS-OIC and its Protocols in the different regions of the

OIC in a bid to sensitize the OIC Member States to complete their membership to the TPS-OIC;

11. **Further urges** ICDT to support OIC Member States to setup Single Window System, Trade and Investment Intelligence Data Banks and conduct Non-Tariff Barriers (NTBs) survey with the aim of facilitating intra-OIC trade;
12. **Calls on** ICDT, in cooperation with SESRIC, to carry on monitoring with the World Tourism Organisation the project on “The Regional Project on Sustainable Tourism Development in a Network of Cross-Border Parks and Protected Areas in West Africa” and **invites** them to organize capacity building programmes in the field of tourism development;
13. **Takes note** of the appeal made by the Director General of ICDT to the OIC Member States to grant voluntary contributions to ICDT in order to finance the new initiatives to be launched by the Centre like trade corridors to facilitate trade flows for the benefit of landlocked countries, Afro-Asia, Arab-Africa Business Initiatives, the Single Window System, Export potential and Access Map, the OIC HelpDesk, SMEs, Women and Youth Empowerment programs and **encourages** ICDT to widen its cooperation to raise extra-budgetary funds in order to ensure the implementation of its upcoming programs;
14. **Endorses** the ICDT Work Programme for the year 2025, which was adopted by the 42<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of ICDT’s Board of Directors held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, on 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> April, 2025.

**C. ISLAMIC ORGANISATION FOR FOOD SECURITY (IOFS)**

**Pursuant to** the Final Communiqué of the 14<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Makkah Al-Mukarramah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2019, which welcomed the consolidation of the structures of IOFS,

**Recalling** the Resolution 6/50-E adopted by the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024, urging Member States to sign and ratify the Statute of IOFS,

**Giving effect** to the provisions of the Statute of IOFS, approved by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of Council of Foreign Ministers held in Conakry, Republic of Guinea, on 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> December, 2013,

**Commending** the generous support of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan for facilitating the establishment of the Secretariat of IOFS, through financing the budgets of the latter for three years with effect from 2016 and for executing the Headquarters Agreement with IOFS in this regard,

**Also commending** the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for hosting the Second Session of IOFS General Assembly in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> August, 2019, and for the special donation of US\$ 2 million for the activities of IOFS,

**Commending further** the Government of those Member States that have kindly hosted IOFS General Assemblies, including the Republic of Türkiye (3<sup>rd</sup> Session held in Ankara on 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020), the Republic of Kazakhstan (4<sup>th</sup> Session held in Astana on 8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> September 2021), the Republic of Tunisia (5<sup>th</sup> Session held in Tunis on 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> October 2022), the State of Qatar (6<sup>th</sup> Session held in Doha on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2023), and the Republic of Kazakhstan (7<sup>th</sup> Session to be held in Astana on 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025), respectively,

**Being appreciative** of IsDB and other relevant OIC institutions for supporting the activities of IOFS, thereby ensuring synergy and effective allocation of resources,

**Welcoming** the signing of the Statute of IOFS by the Republic of Gabon, Republic of Iraq, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Republic of Yemen during 2023,

**Advocating** for an enhanced role of IOFS in addressing the challenges to ensure food security on the international arena,

**Taking note** of the Progress Report on the activities of IOFS pursuant to CFM resolutions on agriculture, rural development and food security,

1. **Calls on** Member States to implement the various strategic programmes of IOFS geared towards scaling up intra-OIC action for increased food security, productivity and resilience in OIC Member States;
2. **Also calls** on Member States, which have not done so, to sign and ratify the Statute of IOFS, the OIC specialized institution based in Astana, Republic of Kazakhstan;
3. **Takes note of** the adoption of “IOFS Strategic Vision 2031” by the 4<sup>th</sup> IOFS General Assembly held virtually on 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> September, 2021, under the chairmanship of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and **recommends** the Member States to coordinate appropriately with IOFS for the implementation of the same;
4. **Calls upon** the Member States to generously contribute to the Afghanistan Food Security Programme (AFSP), launched at the 17<sup>th</sup> Extraordinary Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, held on 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2021, in Islamabad, Pakistan, with a view to mitigating the sufferings of the people of Afghanistan, who are facing acute food shortage, and **appreciates** the efforts exerted by the IOFS in implementing the AFSP, particularly the Wheat Cultivation for Sustainable Development in West Afghanistan project for 2024, in collaboration with the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA), to benefit hundreds of farmers in Herat Province, as well as other immediate response projects;
5. **Takes note of** the IOFS decision to rename its activities for the benefit of Sub-Saharan African Member States as Africa Food Security Initiative (AFSI) and **requests** the Member States and relevant OIC institutions to support the IOFS to successfully implement these programmes;
6. **Welcomes** the gracious offer of the Republic of Kazakhstan to host the 7<sup>th</sup> IOFS General Assembly in Astana, Kazakhstan, on 1st-2nd July 2025, and **invites** the Member States and all relevant OIC Institutions to actively participate and contribute to its successful holding;
7. **Appreciates** the kind gesture of the State of Qatar to provide voluntary contribution of US\$ 2 million for the activities of IOFS and **encourages** other Member States to follow suite towards supporting the sustainable growth of the IOFS;
8. **Takes note** of the IOFS decision to establish its own Endowment for Agricultural and Food Assistance (EAFA) and, in this regard, **recommends** the Member States and relevant OIC institutions to consider providing their generous financial support to replenish the EAFA towards achieving its noble goals of supporting Member States in distress and contributing for their agricultural progress;
9. **Also takes note with appreciation** of the on-going efforts of the relevant OIC institutions to develop a Strategic Plan for Ensuring Food Security in OIC Member States, and

**commends** the IOFS for holding the Regional Consultations for Reviewing the Strategic Plan for Ensuring Food Security in OIC Member States (SPEFS) for the African, Arab, and Asian Groups held virtually respectively on 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13 February 2025 in collaboration with OIC General Secretariat, SESRIC and IsDB and presided over by State of Qatar in its capacity as Chair of the 9<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference on Food Security and Agricultural Development (MCFSAD);

10. **Calls for conducting a study on the possibility of** establishing a regional centre for training and guidance on the application of good agricultural practices for Member States and promoting awareness of agricultural insurance among the Member States, and **invites** the interested Member States wishing to host such Centre to start necessary proceedings in coordination with the IOFS;
11. **Recognizes** the initiative to establish the IOFS Gene Bank, to be hosted by the Republic of Kazakhstan, for the benefit of all Member States, and **encourages** the relevant OIC institutions, particularly the IsDB, to consider providing financial support in order to ensure the successful implementation of this vital initiative towards promoting strong and resilient food system in the OIC Member States;
12. **Invites** Member States to make special contributions to IOFS with a view to accelerating the consolidation of its structures;
13. **Decides** to mark every 11<sup>th</sup> December as OIC Food Security Day and invites all Member States and relevant OIC institutions to implement appropriate initiatives to auspiciously celebrate such an important occasion in coordination with the IOFS;
14. **Commends** the IOFS humanitarian food relief efforts, in particular the dispatch of the first “Flour for Humanity Program – Gaza Emergency Appeal” convoy from Jordan to Gaza held on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025, and **encourages** further support from Member States and relevant OIC Institutions to enhance IOFS’s humanitarian food relief initiatives;
15. **Also commends** the initiative to foster cooperation between the Secretariats of the Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) and IOFS, as announced by the Republic of Kazakhstan during the Sixth CICA Summit held on 12-13 October 2022 in Astana, and **takes note** of the consultations underway towards formalizing their bilateral relations;
16. **Further commends** the pivotal role of the IOFS as an institutional partner of the Ministry of Climate Change and Environment of the United Arab Emirates (MOCCAEE) in the successful holding of the 1<sup>st</sup> Edition of Global Food Security Summit (GFSS), which was held as part of the Abu Dhabi Global Food Week on 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> November 2024 in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, and invites the Member States and relevant OIC Institutions to actively participate and contribute for the fruitful convening of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the GFSS;
17. **Encourages** interested Member States from the three OIC geographical regions—Africa, the Arab world, and Asia—to submit to the IOFS Secretariat respective applications to host IOFS Regional Offices, as these are to serve as strategic hubs for addressing regional food security challenges and agricultural development priorities, ensuring that IOFS initiatives are tailored to the specific needs of each region, and **agrees** that the timely establishment of these entities would enhance coordination, policy implementation, and resource mobilization, strengthening the collective efforts of OIC Member States in achieving sustainable food systems;

18. **Requests** the IOFS, in coordination with relevant OIC Institutions, including the ICDT, to comprehensively activate the SPEFS relevant clauses for strengthening intra-OIC food trade and agribusiness through holding appropriate initiatives in this context;
19. **Recognizes** the critical need to support refugees and displaced persons and **mandates** the IOFS to develop and implement comprehensive programs focused on enhancing food security and sustainable livelihoods for refugees within OIC Member States by coordinating resources, partnerships with relevant OIC, international and regional organizations, while promoting innovative solutions to ensure access to nutritious food and economic opportunities for refugee populations.

**D. OIC LABOUR CENTRE (OICLC)**

**Pursuant to** the Final Communiqué of the 15<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Banjul, Republic of The Gambia, on 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> May 2024,

**Recalling** the Resolution 1/50-E adopted by the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August 2024, urging Member States to sign and ratify the Statute of OICLC,

**Giving effect** to the provisions of the Statute of OICLC, approved by the 43<sup>rd</sup> Session of Council of Foreign Ministers held in Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan, on 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> October, 2016,

**Considering** the provisions of the OIC Framework for Cooperation on Labour, Employment and Social Protection,

**Commending** the generous support of the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan for facilitating the establishment of the Secretariat of OICLC, through financing the budgets of the latter for three years with effect from 2023,

**Also commending** the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan for hosting the First Session of OICLC General Assembly in Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan, on 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023,

**Welcoming** the signing of the Statute of OICLC by the Republic of Cameroon on 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2024, Republic of the Gambia on 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2024, and People's Republic of Bangladesh on 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2025, and its ratification by the State of Palestine on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025;

**Advocating** for an enhanced role of OICLC in addressing the challenges to ensure cooperation in labour, employment and social protection in OIC Member States,

**Appreciates** the important activities carried out by the OIC Labour Centre in various fields pertaining to labour and employment,

**Taking note** of the Progress Report on the activities of OICLC pursuant to CFM resolutions on labour, employment and social protection,

1. **Commends** OIC Member States, which have already signed and ratified the Statute of the OIC Labour Centre, and **urges** other OIC Member States to sign and ratify the said Statute accordingly;
2. **Appreciates** the offer of the State of Qatar for hosting the 6<sup>th</sup> Islamic Conference of Labour Ministers (ICLM) in 2025 in the State of Qatar;
3. **Calls upon** all OIC Institutions to transfer the coordination of all activities and events related to the scope of the OIC Labour Centre's mandate to its authority, including the actions



outlined in the OIC Framework for Cooperation on Labour, Employment and Social Protection;

4. **Recommends** the OIC Labour Centre to take responsibility for the implementation and oversight of the OIC Agreement on Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) of Skilled Workforce, as the provisions outlined in the agreement fall within the mandate of the OIC Labour Centre;
5. **Calls upon** the OIC Labour Centre to coordinate with Member States and the relevant OIC Institutions for the implementation of the Resolution on Cooperation on Labour, Employment and Social Protection adopted by the Fifth Islamic Conference of Labour Ministers held in Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan, on 21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023.

**E. ISLAMIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND DEVELOPMENT (ICCD)**

**Taking note** of the decision made by the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development (ICCD) at its 40<sup>th</sup> General Assembly Meeting held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024, which, among others, approved the establishment of two foundations, namely (1) Specialized Foundation for Women's Economic Empowerment; and (2) Specialized Foundation for the Entrepreneurship,

**Also taking note** of the decision made at the same meeting to further strengthen ICCD's initiatives, partnerships, and subsidiaries,

**Expressing** its appreciations of the progress made by the OIC Arbitration Centre (OIC-AC) in enhancing its structure, governance, international presence, and to promote awareness of arbitration services, capacity building for arbitrators, and facilitation of dispute resolution mechanisms between parties to the disputes,

**Welcoming** ICCD's initiative on Empowering Palestine's Economy aimed at revitalizing the Palestinian economy, through digital empowerment, establishment of distance education systems, and support of businesses through financial initiatives and infrastructure development for remote work, including progress on the Freelance Platform under the Palestine Initiative,

**Commending** ICCD's proactive efforts in promoting knowledge exchange, networking and capacity building among member chambers and youth through actionable programs like the Business Connect Program, ICCD's Accreditation Program, Summer Training Program and the Scholarship Program,

**Further commending** ICCD's leadership in promoting the Halal industry through the 2<sup>nd</sup> Makkah Halal Forum (February 2025) under the theme "Sustainable Development through Halal," and taking note of ICCD's initiatives to foster economic development through the Best of Entrepreneurship Series in Asia and Egypt, the Sustainable Tourism Forum, the Sustainable Agricultural Investment Forum, and the Invest in Digital Economy Forum,

**Taking note of** the feasibility study contracted in partnership with IsDB for the establishment of Islamic Microfinance Institutions in the G5 Sahel Region, and the recommendation of Mauritania as the pilot country followed by Chad, and further taking note of the completed full-scope feasibility study and the follow-up workshop held in February 2025 in Chad with OIC, ICCD, and Sahel Chambers of Commerce, including the agreement on a quarterly press release mechanism,

**Acknowledging** ICCD's commitment to promoting entrepreneurship and knowledge sharing through initiatives like the Best of Entrepreneurship Series and the Culture & Creative Economy Series, which provide platforms for networking, awareness, and collaboration in various sectors,

**Welcoming** ICCD publications, with an aim to increase private sector partnerships through OIC-specific knowledge products on the economic landscape, sector-specific databases, and capacity-building reports for financial assistance, and **noting** that the publications are accessible on ICCD social media platforms and its official website,

**Reaffirming** the valuable contributions of ICCD's partnerships, including the "MANAFEFA" Partnership with Makkah Chamber of Commerce and Madinah Chamber of Commerce, aimed at transforming Makkah and Madinah into hubs for business, and the MoU signed between ICCD and ICIEC to facilitate trade and investment development among Member States,

**Noting with appreciation** the role of ICCD in the International Forums as a representative of the private sector of the global south, promoting priority sectors such as Halal, Islamic Microfinance, Agri-business, digital transformation, and promotion of South-South Cooperation within the Private Sector,

**Commending** the efforts made by Islamic Chamber Halal Services (ICHS) for organizing Halal events, workshops, and webinars aimed at promoting the Halal industry and facilitating international cooperation in this sector,

**Taking note** of the role of ICCD in the successful conclusion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Makkah Halal Forum in promoting dialogue, cooperation, and empowerment within the halal industry ecosystem, and **welcoming** the signing of six bilateral and multilateral agreements to promote halal product development,

**Having noted the** report on the activities of the ICCD,

1. **Takes note** of the vision of the tripartite MANAFEFA partnership between the Islamic Chamber, Makkah Chamber, and Madinah Chamber, to promote Makkah and Madinah as the hub of financial and business activities in the Islamic world, and **invites** OIC Member States to encourage their Member Chambers to actively participate in the series of events and forums conducted under the tripartite MANAFEFA;
2. **Encourages** OIC Member States, their private sector and OIC Institutions to join the initiative for Palestinian businesses, startups, and entrepreneurs, including grants, technical support, knowledge transfer, venture capital, to stimulate innovation, job creation, and economic growth in key sectors;
3. **Requests** the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) to allocate financial resources for the development of operational manuals for microfinance institutions (MFIs) in the G5 Sahel Region;
4. **Calls upon** all Member States of the OIC to encourage their Chambers of Commerce to actively participate in the work of the OIC Arbitration Centre, as an affiliate of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development, facilitating regular communication, collaboration, and information-sharing between the OIC Arbitration Centre and the private sector stakeholders in order to benefit from the services provided by the Centre to those who request them;
5. **Calls upon** the Member States and relevant private sector to support ICCD in organizing various sector specific Mega Forums in the areas of Digital Economy, Sustainable Agriculture, Sustainable Tourism, Islamic Economy, Investment, and Entrepreneurship such as the Invest in Digital Economy Forum, Sustainable Agriculture Investment Forum, Sustainable Tourism

Forum, and Best of Entrepreneurship Series, to support the sustainable development of the Private Sector and economic growth of the Member States;

6. **Encourages** entrepreneurs to actively participate in the Makkah Entrepreneurs Forum, recognizing its significance as a platform for exchange of ideas, best practices, and opportunities for sustainable growth and development.

**F. STANDARDS AND METROLOGY INSTITUTE FOR ISLAMIC COUNTRIES (SMIIC)**

**Commending** the activities of Standards and Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC) in the area of standardization, metrology and accreditation and their impact on trade facilitation and capacity building projects for Member States,

**Expressing its appreciation** to SMIIC for supporting the organization of the 10<sup>th</sup> World Halal Summit (WHS) and Halal Expo 2024, held under the auspices of the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye, from 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024, in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye. The event successfully gathered international experts, policymakers, and industry leaders, contributing to raising awareness of halal trade, industry growth, and the adoption of OIC/SMIIC standards,

**Acknowledging** the organization of 39 capacity-building activities of SMIIC for OIC Member States in the fields of quality infrastructure, standardization, metrology, and accreditation, particularly through training programs and workshops aimed at strengthening national halal certification and accreditation systems,

**Also acknowledging** the role of SMIIC in achieving the goals defined in the OIC – 2025: Programme of Action, particularly in promoting intra-OIC trade, increasing product competitiveness and fostering a unified quality infrastructure among the OIC Member States,

**Noting with satisfaction** the successful organization of the 13<sup>th</sup> SMIIC Technical Committee Week Meetings and SMIIC Committee on Standards for Conformity Assessment (SMIIC/CCA) Meetings on 22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> September 2024 in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye,

**Welcoming** the publication of 58 OIC/SMIIC standards, including 20 on Halal-related issues, following the rigorous standards development process conducted in the relevant SMIIC Technical Committees, strengthening the OIC's unified halal quality infrastructure,

**Acknowledging** the organization of the COMSTECH-SMIIC Training Course on “OIC/SMIIC Halal Products Standards and Testing: Food, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics” in Rabat and Mohammedia, Kingdom of Morocco, on 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> May 2024, in partnership with COMSTECH Secretariat and Institut Marocain de Normalisation (IMANOR),

**Welcoming** the successful implementation of the OIC/SMIIC 1:2019 and OIC/SMIIC 2:2019 training programs for Central Asian, French-speaking and Arabic-speaking Member States to support the adoption and harmonization of halal certification systems in the OIC Member States,

**Noting with satisfaction** the series of sessions organized by SMIIC at the Standards Pavilion during COP29 in Baku, Azerbaijan, on 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> November 2024, in collaboration with the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the International Electro-technical Commission (IEC), aimed at enhancing global food safety, security and climate action through OIC/SMIIC standards,

**Further acknowledging** the capacity-building efforts in SMIIC Member Countries, including the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) through specialized training and technical assistance programs, to develop national halal quality infrastructure and standardization frameworks,

**Recognizing** the role of SMIIC in strengthening global halal accreditation cooperation through its collaboration with the Islamic Forum for Halal Accreditation Bodies (IFHAB) and the advancement of the OIC Global Halal Quality Infrastructure (OHAQ) system towards ensuring mutual recognition of halal certificates across the OIC Member States,

**Also acknowledging** the ongoing implementation of the SMIIC Strategic Plan 2021-2030, which demonstrates SMIIC's commitment to fostering strong partnerships within the OIC system and enhancing its engagement with international and regional standardization bodies,

**Welcoming** the cooperation between SMIIC, COMCEC, and the IsDB in developing training and financial support mechanisms for metrology, accreditation, and halal quality infrastructure improvements to further strengthen the OIC-wide standardization framework,

**Having noted** the report on the activities of the Standards and Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC),

1. **Encourages** OIC Member States to become members of the SMIIC, recognizing its critical role as the sole intergovernmental body mandated by the OIC to develop harmonized standards, metrology, and accreditation frameworks that support trade facilitation and economic growth across the OIC region;
2. **Urges** the Member States to actively participate in SMIIC's Technical Committees (TCs) and Councils on standardization, metrology and accreditation, ensuring that OIC/SMIIC standards reflect the needs of all Member States and contribute to a strong and unified OIC quality infrastructure;
3. **Calls upon** OIC Member States to officially adopt OIC/SMIIC standards as national standards, following SMIIC adoption guidelines, in order to establish a globally recognized, harmonized halal quality infrastructure, ensuring a robust and standardized halal conformity assessment and accreditation system;
4. **Encourages** the Member States and OIC institutions to strengthen collaboration with SMIIC on standardization, metrology, accreditation and conformity assessment, with a particular focus on Least Developed Countries (LDCs), by providing technical assistance, knowledge transfer, and training programs to improve their national quality infrastructure;
5. **Encourages** all OIC Member States to actively participate in the Halal Expo 2025 and 11<sup>th</sup> World Halal Summit to be held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> November, 2025, under the auspices of the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye, recognizing it as a key platform for enhancing halal trade, industry collaboration and the promotion of OIC/SMIIC standards;
6. **Requests** the IIFA to continue its support for SMIIC, providing fatwas and scholarly guidance on halal-related matters, thereby strengthening the credibility and religious compliance of the OIC/SMIIC standards;
7. **Calls upon** the Member States and OIC institutions to actively participate in SMIIC's capacity-building programs on standardization, metrology, and accreditation, particularly on halal-related OIC/SMIIC standards, and to coordinate with SMIIC in organizing training, workshops, and awareness programs in their respective countries and institutions;
8. **Invites** IsDB Group, COMCEC and relevant OIC institutions to provide financial and technical support for capacity-building projects in standardization, metrology, accreditation,

and to integrate SMIIC activities into their development programs to enhance quality infrastructure in the OIC region;

9. **Encourages** Member States to actively engage in the OIC Global Halal Quality Infrastructure (OHAQ) system, developed in line with OIC/SMIIC standards, and **urges** SMIIC and the IFHAB to work in close collaboration to ensure the establishment of a globally recognized and harmonized halal conformity assessment and accreditation system based on OIC/SMIIC standards;
10. **Recognizes** the importance of SMIIC-IFHAB cooperation, including the development of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to facilitate the activation of OHAQ, further strengthening halal accreditation and mutual recognition mechanisms within the OIC ensuring that SMIIC and OIC/SMIIC standards serve as the foundation for a unified and credible international halal certification and accreditation system for a globally recognized halal scheme;
11. **Welcomes** the enhancement of SMIIC's regional and global partnerships through MoUs with key organizations, including the Arab Industrial Development, Standardization and Mining Organization (AIDSMO), GCC Standardization Organization (GSO), African Organization for Standardization (ARSO), after signing the cooperation agreement between the OIC and the African Union, which was adopted by the 38<sup>th</sup> Session of the CFM, held in Astana, the Republic of Kazakhstan in 2011, as well as partnerships with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), and United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), recognizing their valuable contributions in promoting a harmonized halal conformity assessment and accreditation system through collaborative initiatives and capacity-building programs;
12. **Emphasizes** the importance of SMIIC's continued engagement with OIC sister organizations, including COMCEC, COMSTECH, SESRIC, ICDT, IOFS, and ICCD, to foster joint projects and initiatives aimed at enhancing trade facilitation, capacity building, and economic integration among OIC Member States.

**G. ISLAMIC FORUM FOR HALAL ACCREDITATION BODIES (IFHAB)**

1. **Welcomes** Saudi Arabia's initiative to launch a regional forum for accreditation bodies in halal products and services under the OIC umbrella, and to take charge of its budget;
2. **Also welcomes** the granting of the Islamic Forum for Halal Accreditation Bodies (IFHAB) the status of an institution affiliated with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, pursuant to the Resolution 8/49 LO issued by the 49<sup>th</sup> Council of Foreign Ministers, held in Nouakchott, Mauritania;
3. **Expresses** thanks to the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, under the leadership of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz and HRH Crown Prince and Prime Minister Prince Mohammed bin Salman, for hosting the Forum headquarters, and for providing material and moral support to it;
4. **Commends** the Forum's efforts to enhance mutual understanding and mutual recognition among Halal accreditation bodies in Islamic countries according to the OIC/SMIIC Standards, and to build bridges of effective communication to support the halal industry at all levels;

5. **Welcomes** the 2<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly Meeting of IFHAB, held in Makkah Al-Mukarramah, on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024;
6. **Urges** all Member States, the General Secretariat, and the OIC subsidiary bodies and specialized and affiliated institutions to actively participate and cooperate with the Forum to perform the task entrusted to it.

**H. GENERAL PROVISION:**

**Requests** the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this Resolution and submit a comprehensive report, on each item appearing from A **to G**, to the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 7/51-E  
ON  
COOPERATION IN THE ENERGY SECTOR**

*The Fifty-First Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation under the Theme: “The OIC in a Transforming World” held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 21<sup>st</sup> –22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Dhul Al-Hajj 1446h),*

**Pursuant to** the Charter of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation on intensification of intra-OIC cooperation in the socio-economic domain,

**Recalling** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016,

**Also recalling** the Final Communiqué of the 15<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Banjul, Republic of The Gambia, on 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> May, 2024,

**Further recalling** the General Agreement for Economic, Technical and Commercial Cooperation among Member States of the OIC, adopted as per Resolution No.1/8-E of the Eighth Session of CFM held in Tripoli, Libya, on 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> May, 1977,

**Reaffirming** the Agreement for Promotion, Protection and Guarantee of Investments among the OIC Member States, which was adopted by the Twelfth Session of CFM held in Baghdad, Iraq, on 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> June, 1981,

**Recalling** the Resolutions on Economic Issues adopted by 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Safar1446H),

**Reaffirming** the relevant resolutions of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC), especially those adopted by the 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2024,

**Recalling** the Resolution on Cooperation in the field of Energy among the OIC Member States adopted by the First Meeting of the Ministers of Energy of the OIC Member States held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> September, 1989,

**Also recalling** the relevant goals relating to energy, enshrined in the OIC-2025: Programme of Action,

**Acknowledging** the crucial importance of energy as a prerequisite to ensuring sustained economic growth, achievement of the development goals as well as improving the social welfare of people,

**Recognizing** the need for continued cooperation among OIC Member States to address the issues relating to production and use of energy in OIC Member States,

1. **Welcomes** the offer of the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to host the 2<sup>nd</sup> OIC Ministerial Conference on Energy in 2025, which will provide a good platform for OIC Member States to meet and exchange views on regional and global energy issues;
2. **Encourages** OIC Member States and Institutions to actively participate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> OIC Ministerial Conference on Energy in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in 2025;
3. **Also encourages** OIC Member States to facilitate the dissemination of information, the exchange of best practices and the development and implementation of energy-related

initiatives and projects aimed at enhancing energy access and energy security, diversifying energy sources and promoting the sustainable use of energy in the OIC Member States;

4. **Commends** the remarkable progress in the construction of the Trans-Saharan Gas Pipeline connecting Algeria, Nigeria and Niger, towards achieving an integrated energy regional infrastructure that is of international significance;
5. **Expresses** its appreciation to the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria for hosting the Seventh Summit of Heads of State and Government of Gas-Exporting Countries' Forum on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024, and **welcomes** its outcomes, which aim to support the common vision of the Member States in safeguarding the interests of gas producers and consumers, and supporting countries, especially African countries, in addressing energy poverty, energy challenges and promoting sustainable, equitable and inclusive social and economic development in line with environmental requirements and the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals;
6. **Commends** the Nigeria-Morocco Gas Pipeline Project, which connects 13 countries in West Africa, and stresses the importance of promoting investment in such projects and **welcomes** the signing by Morocco, Nigeria and the Economic Community of West African Countries (ECOWAS) in Rabat, Morocco, on 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2022, of a Memorandum of Understanding for the operationalization of this project as well as the signing by Morocco, Nigeria, Mauritania and Senegal, in Nouakchott, Mauritania, on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2022, of an agreement to facilitate the passage of the Nigeria-Morocco pipeline.
7. **Requests** the Secretary General to present a detailed progress report on the implementation of this Resolution to the 52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the OIC Foreign Ministers Council.

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**RESOLUTIONS  
OF THE FORTIETH SESSION  
OF THE COMCEC  
(İstanbul, Türkiye, 2-5 November 2024)**

The Fortieth Ministerial Session of the COMCEC (Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation) was held on 2-5 November 2024, in İstanbul;

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the 15<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Summit Conference, held in Banjul, The Gambia on 4-5 May 2024, which commended the role of the COMCEC under the chairmanship of the President of the Republic of Türkiye, in contributing to the realization of OIC objectives in the economic domain and highly commended the successful implementation of the COMCEC revised Statute and the Strategy adopted at the Fourth Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference;

Also recalling the relevant resolutions of the Islamic Summit Conferences, the Council of Foreign Ministers (CFM) and the COMCEC, the 4<sup>th</sup> Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference, the COMCEC Economic Summit in 2009, the 50<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, and the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC;

Reaffirming the commitment of all Member Countries to the OIC-2025: Programme of Action adopted at the 13<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Summit Conference held on 14-15 April 2016 in İstanbul, Türkiye and to the COMCEC Strategy adopted by the 4<sup>th</sup> Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference held on 14-15 August 2012 in Makkah Al-Mukarramah;

Recalling the objectives and mandate of the COMCEC in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the Islamic Summit and the COMCEC Statute including to serve as the central forum for the Member Countries to discuss common economic and commercial issues.

Taking note of the submission of the progress reports, working papers and studies on the different agenda items submitted by the OIC General Secretariat, the COMCEC Coordination Office (CCO), the Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Center for Islamic Countries (SESRIC), the Islamic Center for Development of Trade (ICDT), the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) Group, Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS), the Standards and Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC) and the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development (ICCD).

Expressing its appreciation to the Member Countries for hosting Ministerial Conferences, Meetings, workshops, fairs and other activities in the cooperation areas;

Commending the efforts made by the OIC General Secretariat, the COMCEC Coordination Office and the OIC institutions working in the area of economic and commercial cooperation, namely SESRIC, ICDT, IsDB, ICD, ITFC, ICIEC, ISFD, IOFS, OIC Labour Centre, SMIIC, and ICCD.

1. **Recalling** the relevant resolutions of the Joint Arab Islamic Extraordinary Summit on Israeli Aggression Against the Palestinian People on 11 November 2023 Riyadh and the 15<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit held in Banjul on 4-5 May 2024, **encourages** Member Countries to fully implement the said resolutions.
2. **Urges** to increase joint efforts to coerce Israel to an immediate ceasefire and to stop all forms of aggression and barbaric violations against the Gaza Strip and the West Bank and to let the flow of humanitarian aid into the region.
3. **Takes note of** the emergency response plan prepared by the State of Palestine to address the repercussions of the Israeli aggression on the State of Palestine, and the crime of mass genocide that it is perpetrating in the Gaza Strip, and **calls upon** Member Countries, development agencies and relevant national funds to support the emergency response plan for relief and recovery in coordination with the Government of the State of Palestine.
4. **Commending** the endeavors for the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy and the Ministerial Policy Recommendations by the Member Countries and the relevant OIC Institutions, **invites** the Member Countries to exert every effort, to the extent possible, to implement the Policy Recommendations and to harness the benefits of the current facilities and mechanisms, in particular the COMCEC Working Groups and COMCEC Project Support Programs namely COMCEC Project Funding and COMCEC Al-Quds Program, and **requests** the relevant OIC Institutions to support the Member Countries to this end.
5. **Calls upon** the Member Countries to utilize the COMCEC Policy Follow-up System to submit necessary information and data on the implementation of the COMCEC Ministerial Policy Recommendations in their respective countries, and **requests** the CCO to regularly report the progress in the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy to the COMCEC Sessions, the Follow-up Committee Meetings and other relevant OIC fora.
6. **Expresses its appreciation to** the efforts of the OIC General Secretariat, CCO, SESRIC, ICDT, IsDB, ITFC, ICIEC, ICD, ISFD, IOFS, SMIIC, and ICCD for the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy and the Ministerial Policy Recommendations.
7. **Underlining** the importance of the realization of the objectives set by OIC 2025: Programme of Action and active follow-up of the economic and commercial section of the Programme by the COMCEC, **requests** the OIC General Secretariat to regularly submit comprehensive progress reports on the implementation of the Programme to the COMCEC Sessions and the Follow-up Committee Meetings.
8. **Taking note of** the difficulties faced by OIC General Secretariat and SESRIC in gathering necessary information and data for preparing the progress report on the OIC-2025 Programme of Action, **requests** the Member States to provide the SESRIC with the latest data and relevant information in a timely manner through responding to the questionnaire circulated by SESRIC, and **invites** the Member States to actively participate in the on-going process to develop a new OIC Programme of Action for 2026-2035 and contribute to this endeavour by providing their respective inputs including priorities and strategic goals.

9. **Also taking note** of the findings of the SESRIC's report titled "OIC Economic Outlook 2024: Supporting Private Sector and SME Development in OIC Countries", and **considering** the private sector and SME development as a critical driver of economic growth and development in OIC countries, **encourages** Member States to promote the development of private sector and SMEs through expanding financial services and developing capital markets, including leveraging Islamic finance; investing in physical infrastructure and promoting digital transformation; reducing trade barriers and supporting export promotion; simplifying business regulations and enhancing legal systems to create a more conducive regulatory environment; and building human capital and encouraging entrepreneurship, and **entrusts** SESRIC to continue monitoring world economic developments and their implications on the Member Countries as well as to continue to report thereon to the annual sessions of the COMCEC.
10. **Recalling** the relevant resolutions of the COMCEC Sessions, **requests** the Member Countries, who have not done so yet, to sign and ratify the agreements in the economic domain for furthering economic and commercial cooperation among the OIC Member Countries.
11. **Considering** the importance of an equitable and fair multilateral trading system for sustainable growth of the countries, and **taking note of** the current technical assistance provided by WTO Member Countries of the OIC to the Non-Participating Countries for their accession efforts to the WTO, **calls upon** IsDB and ICDT to keep on extending their technical assistance to the Member Countries in the context of the multilateral trade negotiations and coordinate the position of the Member Countries within the WTO.
12. **Welcomes** the convening of the Honorable Ministers and Vice-Ministers on 4 November 2024 on the margin of 40<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC, where the Honorable Ministers and Vice-Ministers deliberated on the issues regarding the OIC trade agenda, particularly TPS-OIC.
13. **Welcoming** that the TPS-OIC has been effectuated as of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 in line with relevant resolutions of the COMCEC Ministerial Sessions and the decisions of the TPS-OIC Trade Negotiating Committee (TNC), **requests** the Participating States, which have not done so yet, to complete their internal procedures, and **calls upon** the Member Countries, which have not yet signed or ratified the TPS-OIC Agreements to do so at their earliest convenience and complete other procedures for joining the System.
14. **Also** welcoming the decisions of the Third Ministerial Meeting of TPS-OIC TNC hosted by Republic of Türkiye on 10-11 June 2024, in İstanbul, requests the continuation of technical review in 2025 to elaborate on the potential expansion of TPS-OIC with increased product coverage and new disciplines with the participation of the OIC Member Countries, which have signed and ratified the TPS-OIC Framework Agreement and other interested Member Countries, which are not party to the Framework Agreement, as observers, for ensuring a wider membership composition.
15. **Appreciates** the organization of workshops, webinars, trainings, and Forums by ICDT and partner countries' institutions in the domain of trade, and **requests** the Member Countries to keep on providing the ICDT with data relating to trade and investment statistics and regulations.

16. **Also appreciates** the trade finance and trade development activities of ITFC and the mobilization of funds from the development partners for funding trade operations in the Member Countries, contributing towards the achievement of intra-OIC trade target of 25 percent by the year 2025.
17. **Requests** ICIEC, in collaboration with the SESRIC, ICDT, and ICCD to continue their efforts to complete the technical preparations for launching the OIC Business Intelligence Programme and submit a Progress Report to the 41<sup>st</sup> Follow-up Committee Meeting and the 41<sup>st</sup> COMCEC Ministerial Session.
18. **Commending** the efforts of SMIIC in the areas of standardization, accreditation, and metrology and their impact on trade facilitation and capacity building, **invites** the Member Countries to adopt and use the OIC/SMIIC Standards as their national standards with a view to contributing to the harmonization of standards and alleviating technical barriers to trade among the Member Countries, and **calls upon** the Member Countries using OIC/SMIIC Standards to officially adopt the standards according to SMIIC adoption guidelines.
19. **Calls upon** Member Countries to take the necessary measures that would exempt Palestinian goods and commodities from customs duties, duties and taxes of similar effect, without quantitative or qualitative restrictions, which would have a positive effect on strengthening the steadfastness of the Palestinian people on their own territory and supporting the efforts of the State of Palestine to put an end to the Israeli occupation.
20. **Acknowledging** ICCD's initiative on Empowering Palestine's Economy aimed at revitalizing the Palestinian economy, through digital empowerment, establishment of a freelance platforms, distance education systems, and support of businesses through financial initiatives and infrastructure development for remote work, **encourages** the Member Countries, their private sector and the relevant OIC Institutions to join the initiative for Palestinian businesses, start-ups, and entrepreneurs, including grants, technical support, knowledge transfer, venture capital, to stimulate innovation, job creation, and economic growth in key sectors.
21. **Commending** the Republic of Türkiye for hosting the Third Intergovernmental Group of Experts (IGGE) Meeting organized in cooperation with General Secretariat of OIC and ICDT on 8-9 October 2024 in İstanbul, **takes note of** the report adopted thereat.
22. **Acknowledging** the important role of the OIC Arbitration Centre, as an affiliated institution of ICCD for the settlement of disputes, **calls upon** the Member Countries to encourage the active participation in the activities of the OIC Arbitration Centre with a view to making use of services provided by the Centre to those who seek it.
23. **Commends** ICD for its efforts in promoting private sector development and aiding the economic progress of OIC Member Countries by offering financial support and advisory services to the private sector.
24. **Taking note with appreciation** the convening of the first technical meeting under the COMCEC SME Program on 31 July 2024, **invites** the interested Member Countries and relevant OIC Institutions to actively participate in the activities to be carried out under the Program.
25. **Calls upon** the Member Countries to support the promotion of the S&P OIC/COMCEC Shariah

International Fund, which includes shares from the OIC COMCEC 50 Shariah Index, developed under the coordination of OIC Exchanges Forum, to the investors and the finance community in their respective countries.

26. **Requests** the Secretariat of the OIC Exchanges Forum to complete technical preparations on the OIC Gold Exchange Project, based on block-chain model, in cooperation with Central Banks of the interested Member Countries.
27. **Welcoming** the involvement of 14 Member Countries in the COMCEC Real Estate Electronic Platform within the framework of the Capital Markets Regulatory Forum, **requests** Forum Secretariat to expedite the necessary legal, administrative, and technical work towards having a full-fledged Real Estate Electronic Platform, and **invites** Member Countries which have not done so yet, to identify their authorized bodies as well as notify them to the Forum's Secretariat.
28. **Reiterating** the importance of the Dakar-Port Sudan Railway project as one of the most significant development projects aimed at enhancing the movement of people and goods among the African OIC Member Countries, **requests** the OIC General Secretariat, in cooperation with the IsDB Group, to expedite their communications with Member Countries wishing to hold the 2<sup>nd</sup> OIC Transport Ministerial Meeting as soon as possible with a specific agenda on the project mentioned above.
29. **Welcoming** the organization of the 12<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Conference of Tourism Ministers on 31 May - 2 June 2024, in Khiva, in the Republic of Uzbekistan, **calls upon** the Member Countries to further their efforts towards the realization of the resolutions adopted by this Conference.
30. **Taking note of** IOFS initiatives in the field of tech-driven agriculture, **requests** IOFS to liaise with the Member Countries towards formulating comprehensive tech-driven agricultural policies to address regional challenges and maximize opportunities and establish strong public-private partnerships for fostering research and development in sustainable agri-tech solutions.
31. **Also taking note of** the Global Food Security Summit to be hosted by the Ministry of Climate Change and Environment of United Arab Emirates (MOCCA), in partnership of IOFS representing OIC side, as part of the Abu Dhabi Global Food Week on 26-27 November 2024 in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, **invites** all Member States and the relevant OIC Institutions to actively participate and contribute for the successful holding of both events.
32. **Commends** the efforts of SESRIC in the execution of the OIC-TVET Strategic Road Map 2020-2025, and **requests** SESRIC to continue providing regular progress updates to both COMCEC Sessions and Follow-up Committee Meetings and to identify potential challenges and propose strategic responses to ensure the continued successful implementation of the OIC-VET Programme and **encourages** SESRIC to take necessary steps to prepare the TVET Strategic Road Map 2026-2030.
33. **Also commending the efforts** of SESRIC in conducting annual reports on the progress towards achievement of the prioritized SDGs in the OIC Member Countries and submission to the

COMCEC Ministerial Sessions on a regular basis, **requests** SESRIC to continue to carry out statistical training activities with a focus on SDGs for the benefit of National Statistical Offices and relevant constituents of the national statistical systems of the Member Countries within the framework of its Statistical Capacity Building (StatCaB) Programme.

34. **Acknowledges** SESRIC for its efforts within the framework of OIC Social Security Institutions Network (OIC-SSINET), OIC Occupational Safety and Health Network (OIC-OSHNET) and the OIC Public Employment Services Network (OIC-PESNET), and **calls upon** the Member Countries to actively participate in the activities under these networks.
35. **Taking note with appreciation** the efforts under the COMCEC High-Level Digital Transformation Forum in exchanging experience among the Member Countries in digital transformation area, **calls upon** the interested Member Countries and relevant OIC Institutions to actively participate in the activities to be conducted under the Forum in the upcoming period.
36. **Welcomes** the policy recommendations of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Financial Cooperation Working Group, which served as the preparatory meeting for the Ministerial Exchange of Views Session, on “Digital Transformation of Payment Systems in the OIC Member Countries” held on 16-17 September 2024, and **calls upon** the Member Countries to implement these recommendations and report the progress through COMCEC Policy Follow-up System.
37. **Decides on** “Developing/Improving Export Strategies in the OIC Member Countries” as the theme for the Exchange of Views Session at the 41<sup>st</sup> Session of the COMCEC, and **requests** the COMCEC Trade Working Group in its 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting, in cooperation with the relevant OIC Institutions, to come up with concrete policy recommendations on this topic and report it to the 41<sup>st</sup> COMCEC Session.
38. **Decides** that the 41<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Follow-up Committee will be held on 13-14 May 2025, and the 41<sup>st</sup> Session of the COMCEC will be held on 1-4 November 2025 in Türkiye.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY RESOLUTIONS OF  
THE 40<sup>TH</sup> COMCEC MINISTERIAL SESSION**

1. **Welcomes** the Report on the Implementation of the COMCEC Strategy submitted by the CCO highlighting the progress achieved in the implementation of the Strategy, and **commends** the Member Countries and OIC Institutions for their valuable contributions to the implementation of the Strategy.
2. **Welcomes** the 12<sup>th</sup> Call for Project Proposals made by the CCO in October 2024 within the framework of COMCEC Project Funding.
3. **Taking note with appreciation** the report presented by the OIC General Secretariat on the implementation of the economic and commercial component of the OIC-2025: Program of Action, **calls upon** the relevant OIC Institutions to attend the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Coordination Meeting of OIC Institutions (ACMOI) on 4-5 December 2024, in Jeddah, OIC Headquarters.
4. **Commending** the OIC Member Countries which have already signed and ratified the Statute of the OIC Labour Centre, **encourages** other OIC Member Countries to complete all the necessary arrangements to accede to the said Statute at their earliest convenience.
5. **Taking note with appreciation** of the convening of the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Meetings of the COMCEC Trade Working Group held on 6 May 2024 and 19-20 September 2024, respectively, with the theme “Improving Quality Infrastructure in the OIC Member Countries”, **welcomes** its policy recommendations.  
(Ref: Document Code OIC/COMCEC/.....)
6. **Acknowledging** the challenges faced by Palestine and the need for supportive measures, **invites** Member Countries to support Palestinian businesses, particularly small and medium-sized enterprises, to enhance their export capacity.
7. **Welcomes** the activities conducted by the CCO, SESRIC, ICDT, IsDB, ITFC, ICIEC, ICD, ISFD, IOFS, SMIIC and ICCD in their field of competency, aligned with the COMCEC Strategy since the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of the COMCEC.
8. **Takes note with appreciation** that Kingdom of Morocco will organize in cooperation with ITFC, the 4<sup>th</sup> Arab-African Trade and Investment Forum in 2025 in Casablanca.
9. **Commends** SESRIC for its continued commitment to preparing technical background reports and research studies on various socio-economic issues relevant to OIC Conferences and Meetings, particularly Sectoral Ministerial Conferences and Standing Committee Sessions, and **expresses its appreciation** for the specific reports and research studies conducted by SESRIC since the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of COMCEC, which address pertinent areas such as intra-OIC trade cooperation, the role of the private sector in economic collaboration, transport and communication, tourism and financial cooperation.
10. **Commending** SESRIC for implementing a comprehensive range of capacity-building programs and training activities in various socio-economic fields, crucial to the needs of OIC Member Countries, **takes note with appreciation** of the implementation of 102 capacity-building activities since the 39<sup>th</sup> Session of COMCEC under seven cooperation areas of COMCEC, which have been specifically designed to serve the implementation of the COMCEC Ministerial Policy Recommendations as well as the COMCEC Strategy.

11. **Commends** the efforts of Bangladesh, Indonesia, Suriname, Türkiye, and Uganda for the successful implementation of the following trade projects in 2024 within the framework of the COMCEC Project Funding:
  - The project entitled “Strengthening Cross-Border E-Commerce Sector in Bangladesh through Enhancing Capacity of SMEs and Professionals” being implemented by Bangladesh in partnership with Malaysia,
  - The project entitled “Developing Product Information and Determining Halal Critical Points” being implemented by Indonesia with four beneficiary countries and SMIIC,
  - The project entitled “Increasing Internationalization of SMEs in Suriname and Guyana” implemented by Suriname with Guyana and Türkiye,
  - The project entitled “Free Zone Training Program for Internationalization of SMEs” implemented by Türkiye with five beneficiary countries,
  - The project entitled “Enhancing Good Governance and Technical Capacity of SMEs to Eliminate Informalities in the Sector” implemented by Uganda.
12. **Appreciates** ICDT’s following activities conducted in 2024, and **invites** the Member Countries to actively participate in the following fairs, exhibitions, workshops and forums to be organized by the ICDT in 2024 and 2025:
  - The 18<sup>th</sup> OIC Trade Fair, scheduled to be held from 29 November to 1 December 2024 in Lahore, Pakistan.
  - The Utali African Tourism Expo, scheduled to be held on 27-29 March 2025 in Kampala, Republic of Uganda,
  - The 5<sup>th</sup> OIC Health Expo, scheduled to be held in on 15-19 April 2025, Dakar, Senegal.
  - The next editions of the “ICDT Invest Days”, scheduled to be organized in 2025 in Chad, Benin and the Comoros,
  - OIC Halal Agribusiness Industry Exhibitions, scheduled to be organized in 2025 in Saudi Arabia,
  - The 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of Cotton, Textiles and Clothing Exhibition of the OIC Member Countries, scheduled to be held in 2025 in Cameroon.
  - The 4<sup>th</sup> Consultative Forum of Regional Cooperation Organizations (RCOs) operating in the OIC region, to be held on 19-20 November 2024, in Marrakesh, Morocco, in collaboration with the IsDB.
  - The 11th Exhibition of Halal Products of the OIC Member States scheduled to be organized in 2025 in the Republic of Tunisia.
13. **Also appreciates** the CCO and ICDT as the Secretariat of the Trade Negotiations Committee (TNC) in supervising trade negotiations and building capacity related to the Framework Agreement on Trade Preferential System among OIC Member Countries.
14. **Welcomes** the readiness of the ICDT and CCO to organize awareness-raising workshops on the TPS-OIC and its impact on the private sector for the benefit of OIC Member Countries in the upcoming period.



15. **Calls upon** the WTO members of the OIC to assist non-WTO Members of the OIC in their accession process to the WTO, and **also calls upon** the Member Countries and the relevant OIC institutions to extend support to the Member Countries who need technical assistance on trade facilitation practices towards the implementation of the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement.
16. **Takes note with appreciation** that by 2024, ITFC's cumulative trade finance approvals and disbursement reached US\$ 80.5 billion and US\$ 66.1 billion, respectively, and **also notes** that ITFC's cumulative funds mobilized from partner banks and financial institutions reached US\$ 49.6 billion.
17. **Taking note with appreciation** the efforts of ITFC to expand the scope of its trade finance products aiming at facilitating trade flows between the OIC Member Countries and beyond, enhancing partnerships with local and regional Banks and Financial Institutions for private sector and SME support, **commends** ITFC for its Global SMEs program aiming at improving access to credit for the SMEs in partnership with the SME support institutions in the beneficiary countries.
18. **Also commends** the efforts of ITFC for the launching of the Trade Connect Central Asia+ (TCCA+), in consultation with the targeted countries, aiming at inclusive economic growth, regional economic cooperation and promoting trade, among CIS Member Countries and with the rest of the world.
19. **Welcomes** the trade promotion and capacity development initiatives being implemented by ITFC under its various flagship programs such as Arab AfricaTrade Bridge Program (AATB) and Aid for Trade Initiatives for Arab States (AFTIAS).
20. **Takes note of** the Progress Report submitted by the ICIEC on the OIC Business Intelligence Program and the efforts exerted by ICIEC and its Partners for organizing two Capacity Building Programmes for the Users of the OBIC in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, and Istanbul, Türkiye in 2023, and **also takes note of** the necessary arrangements for organizing a third Capacity Building Programme during the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2024.
21. **Takes note with appreciation** the performance of ICIEC operations, which resulted in USD 13.3 billion as business insured during 2023, compared to USD 11.6 billion in 2022, bringing the cumulative amount of business insured since inception till the end of 2023 to USD 108.3 billion.
22. **Acknowledges** ICIEC's role in supporting USD 51 billion of intra-OIC business insured since its inception till the end of 2023 (USD 42.8 billion of intra-OIC trade and USD 8.2 billion of intra-investment) and involving 37 countries.
23. **Welcomes** the membership of the Republic of Togo to SMIIC, which has increased the number of SMIIC Member Countries to 45 along with 3 Observers.
24. **Also welcomes** the efforts of SMIIC for conducting the following activities in its field of competence;
  - OIC/SMIIC 1:2019 General Requirements for Halal Food - Central Asian Region - SMIIC Member States (Russian) virtually on 27-29 May 2024.
  - The "Workshop on SMC Roadmap for SMIIC Technical Work" on 25 September 2024 in İstanbul, Türkiye.

- Seminar on SMIIC and Halal Quality Infrastructure and OIC SMIIC 1 Halal Auditor Training in cooperation with Agence des Normes et de la Qualité du Cameroun (ANOR) on 2-5 October 2024, in Yaoundé, Cameroon.
  - Workshop on “Understanding Halal Principles and Implementing Halal Standards in the Halal Food Industry” within the framework of the COMCEC Project Funding on 15-17 October 2024, in Jakarta, Indonesia.
  - SMIIC LDC Capacity Building Program for l'Agence Djiboutienne des Normes et de la Qualité (ADN), including online training series on 14-15 October 2024 and physically on 21-24 October 2024, in Djibouti.
25. **Calls upon** Islamic Forum for Halal Accreditation Bodies (IFHAB) to develop and maintain Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MRA) among the national halal accreditation bodies of the OIC Member Countries based on OIC/SMIIC standards as defined in OIC Global Halal Quality Infrastructure (OHAQ).
26. **Expressing its appreciation** to the Republic of Türkiye for hosting the Halal Expo 2024 and 10<sup>th</sup> World Halal Summit in collaboration with SMIIC and ICDT on 27-30 November 2024, in İstanbul, with the theme of “A Decade of Halal Success: Uniting Vision, Shaping the Future”, **calls upon** the Member Countries to actively participate in the Halal Expo 2024 and the 10<sup>th</sup> World Halal Summit.
27. **Recognizes** the initiatives undertaken by ICCD for capacity building of the private sector through the Chambers Accreditation Program and trainings in the areas of Agri Business management and the digital transformation of Chambers of Commerce and SMEs, **encourages** Member Countries, relevant organizations, and stakeholders to actively collaborate to enhance the private sectors digital capabilities, foster innovation, and promote sustainable economic development.
28. **Encourages** Member Countries and relevant institutions to actively utilize the ICCD’s Business Connect platform as a collaborative space for businesses within ICCD regional offices to conduct B2B meetings, forge business deals, and access consultations, and **calls upon** Member Countries and organizations to engage with this platform, leveraging its resources to enhance business collaboration and partnerships.
29. **Takes note of** efforts and following activities of the ICCD in organizing various sector specific forums in the areas of sustainable agriculture, sustainable tourism, Islamic economy, investment, digital economy, and entrepreneurship to support the sustainable development of the OIC private sector for the resilient economic growth of the Member Countries:
- Invest in Digital Economy Forum on 26-27 May 2024 in Amman, Jordan,
  - Best of Entrepreneurship Series Asia on AgriTech: Feeding the Future on 28 August 2024 in Karachi, Pakistan,
  - Best of Entrepreneurship Series Egypt on Entrepreneurship & Digital Transformation on 17 September 2024 in Cairo, Egypt.
30. **Invites** the Member Countries and relevant private sector entities to actively participate in the following sector specific forums organized by ICCD in the areas of Digital Economy, Sustainable Agriculture, Sustainable Tourism, Islamic economy, Investment, and Entrepreneurship development to support the sustainable development of the OIC Private

Sector and economic growth of the Member States, mainly the following:

- Sustainable Tourism Forum on 1-2 February 2025 in Karachi, Pakistan,
- Sustainable Agriculture Investment Forum in April 2025 in Baku Azerbaijan,
- Invest in Digital Economy Forum in May 2025 in Amman, Jordan
- Best of Entrepreneurship Series, Asia, in April 2025 in Lahore Pakistan.

31. **Taking note of** the continuous efforts of the ICCD to establish Microfinance institutions and the initiation of the feasibility study in collaboration with IsDB in the G5 Sahel region in Africa, namely Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, and Niger, **requests** ICCD in mobilizing available funds from international organizations working particularly for poverty alleviation, small farmers and green economy, to fund the creation of operational manuals for ICCD Islamic Microfinance Institutions.
32. **Takes note with appreciation** that ICD's gross cumulative approvals amount to USD 8.8 billion and cumulative disbursements USD 4.9 billion as the end of September 2024.
33. **Commends** the dedicated cooperation efforts of ICD to develop more than 7 joint transactions worth more than USD 200 Million where ICD partnered with ITFC and ICIEC during 2024.
34. **Takes note with appreciation** the efforts of ICD to address the private sector development including Lines of Finance, Direct Finance, and Equity projects in OIC Member Countries through its USD 750 million and USD 598 million approval and disbursement allocation, respectively.
35. **Taking note with appreciation** of the convening of the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Meetings of the COMCEC Financial Cooperation Working Group held on 2 May 2024 and 16-17 September 2024, respectively, with the theme "Digital Transformation of Payment Systems in OIC Member Countries", **welcomes** its policy recommendations.  
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36. **Commends** the efforts of Federal Republic of Nigeria for the successful implementation of the project namely "Digital Finance and Payment Systems Training for SME Value Chain Strengthening" in 2024 within the framework of the COMCEC Project Funding.
37. **Welcomes** the convening of the 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the OIC Exchanges Forum on 1 October 2024 and the offer of Borsa İstanbul, as the Secretariat of the OIC Exchanges Forum, to host the 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Forum in 2025, and **invites** the Member Countries to actively participate in the activities organized under this Forum.
38. **Commending** the efforts of SESRIC in organizing training and capacity-building activities on various technical and regulatory aspects related to the work of the Stock Exchanges, **requests** SESRIC, in collaboration with the Secretariat of the OIC Exchanges Forum, to organize such activities for the benefit of the Stock Exchanges and relevant national authorities in the Member States within the framework of SESRIC's Stock Exchanges Capacity Building Programme (SE-CaB).
39. **Also commending** the efforts carried out by the Task Forces of COMCEC Capital Market Regulators Forum namely capacity building, market development, Islamic finance, financial literacy and sustainability, **welcomes** the convening of the 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Forum on 16 October 2024 and the offer of the Capital Markets Board (CMB) of the

Republic of Türkiye, as the Forum Secretariat, to host the 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the COMCEC CMR Forum, in 2025, and **invites** all the Member Countries to actively participate in this Meeting.

40. **Welcomes** the convening of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the OIC-COMCEC Central Banks Forum on 29-30 September 2024, in İstanbul, and the offer of the Central Bank of the Republic of Türkiye as the Secretariat of the Forum, to host its 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting in 2025, and **invites** the Member Countries to actively participate in this Meeting.
41. **Commending** the training and capacity building programs, particularly on Islamic banking and finance, financial stability, monetary policy, and Halal Value Chain organized by SESRIC for the benefit of Central Banks and Monetary Authorities of the Member States, **requests** SESRIC to continue organizing such activities for the benefit of the relevant national institutions of the Member States within the framework of the Central Banks Capacity Building Programme (CB-CaB).
42. **Takes note with appreciation** of the convening of the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Meetings of the COMCEC Transport and Communications Working Group held on 6 May 2024 and 24-25 September 2024, respectively with the theme of “Developing Intelligent Transportation Systems in OIC Member Countries”, and **welcomes** its policy recommendations.

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43. **Commends** the efforts of The Gambia for the successful implementation of the transport project entitled “Improving Human and Institutional Capacity for the Development of an Institutional Framework for Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) in The Gambia” implemented by The Gambia with Qatar, as the beneficiary country” in 2024, within the framework of the COMCEC Project Funding.
44. **Expresses its appreciation** for the efforts of Algeria for completing 2.548 linear kilometers of fiber optics on its own part of the Trans-Saharan Hub project, connecting Algeria, Niger, Nigeria, Chad, Mali and Mauritania, within the framework of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) with a view to contributing to the emergence and development of the digital economy at the level of the concerned countries.
45. **Commends** SESRIC for updating the report entitled “Transportation for Development in OIC Member Countries: Implications for Trade and Tourism & Challenges for Landlocked Countries”, as a technical background document for the upcoming OIC Conference of Ministers of Transport, and SESRIC and ITFC for preparing a joint study on “Implications of the AfCFTA for OIC Countries along the Trans-Sahara Road”.
46. **Takes note with appreciation** the convening of the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Meetings of the COMCEC Tourism Working Group on 2 May 2024 and 24-25 September 2024 respectively with the theme of “Developing and Branding Gastronomy Tourism Destinations within OIC”, and **welcomes** its policy recommendations.

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47. **Acknowledging** the efforts of SESRIC towards organizing the capacity-building training event for the benefit of Senegal in the field of gastronomy tourism, **appreciates** SESRIC for organizing training activities in the domain of tourism, and **requests** SESRIC to continue conducting training activities in this domain for the benefit of the member countries.

48. **Expresses its appreciation** to SESRIC for the preparation of the report entitled “International Tourism in the OIC Member Countries: Empowering Smart and Sustainable Tourism for Development 2024”, as a technical background document for the 12th Islamic Conference of Tourism Ministers (ICTM), which was held on 31 May-2 June 2024 in Khiva, Republic of Uzbekistan.
49. **Commends** the efforts of Uganda, Mali, Nigeria, Togo and SESRIC for the successful implementation of the following tourism projects in 2024 within the framework of the COMCEC Project Funding:
- The project entitled “Empowering Entrepreneurship Skills of Community-Based Tourism Enterprises to Enhance Competitiveness of Tourism Industry” implemented by Uganda with three beneficiary countries,
  - The project entitled “Capacity Building of Tourism Guides in Selected OIC Member Countries” implemented by Mali with Burkina Faso and Nigeria as the partner countries,
  - The project entitled “Enhancing Capacities of Tourism Stakeholders for Adapting to Customers Changing Needs” implemented by Nigeria with three beneficiary countries,
  - The project entitled “Improving Entrepreneurial Capacities of Selected Tourism Stakeholders for Ensuring Competitiveness in Tourism” implemented by Togo with the partnership of Türkiye,
  - The entitled “Strengthening the Capacities of African Tourism Boards through Sustainable Human Resource Management Practices” implemented by SESRIC with the participation of seventeen Member Countries.
50. **Welcomes** the convening of the 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the OIC/COMCEC Private Sector Tourism Forum on 10 October 2024.
51. **Takes note with appreciation of** the convening of the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Meetings of the COMCEC Agriculture Working Group on 30 April 2024 and 19-20 September 2024, respectively with the theme of “Developing Livestock Production and Fishery to Foster Food Security for a Sustainable Agricultural Development in OIC Countries”, and **welcomes** its policy recommendations.
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52. **Commends** the efforts of Benin, The Gambia, Niger, Azerbaijan, Türkiye, Nigeria, and SESRIC for the successful implementation of the following projects in 2024 within the framework of the COMCEC Project Funding:
- The project entitled “Capacity Building on Enriched Organic Fertilizers Production” implemented by Benin in partnership with Egypt and IOFS,
  - The project entitled “Improving Human and Institutional Capacity for the Development of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) in the Agriculture Sector of the Gambia and OIC member Countries” implemented by The Gambia with SESRIC and Türkiye,
  - The project entitled “Sedentary the Ruminant Herds to Ensure Food and Nutritional Security in Niger” implemented by Niger with three beneficiary countries.

- The project entitled “Experience Sharing on Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA)” implemented by Azerbaijan with the partnership of Türkiye
  - The project entitled “Common Steps towards Climate Change: Adaptation, Mitigation and Resistance Strategies in Stone Fruits” implemented by Türkiye with Azerbaijan and Morocco
  - The project entitled “Capacity Building on Organomineral Fertilizers” implemented by Nigeria with Sudan and Benin
  - The project entitled “Promoting Food Security in OIC Member Countries through Sustainable Agricultural Inputs” implemented by SESRIC with fifteen beneficiary countries.
53. **Commending** SESRIC for organizing capacity building and training activities under its Agriculture and Food Security Capacity Building Programme (Agri-CaB) and the Statistical Capacity Building (StatCaB) Programme, **requests** SESRIC to continue organising activities under these Programmes, and **invites** Member Countries to actively participate and benefit from these activities to share their experiences and best practices in agricultural development.
54. **Also commending** SESRIC’s endeavours in launching three capacity-building programmes, namely Digital Transformation Capacity Building Programme (Digi-CaB), Halal Capacity Building Programme (Halal-CaB), and Palestine National Institutions Capacity Building Programme (Palestine-CaB), **encourages** Member Countries and other OIC Institutions to participate actively in the activities under these programmes.
55. **Taking note** of the increasing membership composition of IOFS, **invites** the Member Countries and relevant OIC Institutions to participate in the programs and activities towards ensuring food security and agricultural development in the Member Countries.
56. **Taking note of** briefing made by IOFS on the humanitarian food relief appeal, including 1.000 tons of wheat floor for Gaza by IOFS, **commends** the efforts of IOFS, and **encourages** the Member States and the relevant OIC Institutions, to the extent possible, to support this vital initiative.
57. **Also taking note of** the establishment of 11 December as “OIC Food Security Day”, **requests** IOFS, to the extent possible, to celebrate such an important occasion in collaboration with the Member Countries and the relevant OIC Institutions.
58. **Taking note with appreciation of** the convening of the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Meetings of the COMCEC Poverty Alleviation Working Group on 2 May 2024 and 16-17 September 2024 respectively, with the theme “Alleviating Adverse Effects of Natural Disasters on Poor Segments of Society in the OIC Member Countries”, and **welcomes** its policy recommendations.
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59. **Taking into account** the need for supporting the livelihood of Palestinian youth and enhancing human resources capacity of Palestine, **calls on** Member Countries to increase scholarships opportunities for Palestinian students to the extent possible and initiate special programs for university graduates.
60. **Recalling** the relevant resolution of the COMCEC Sessions, **requests** the CCO to carry on compiling the relevant OIC Institutions’ activities aligned with the prioritized SDG areas

for submission to the 41<sup>st</sup> Session of the COMCEC.

61. **Commends** the efforts of Türkiye and SESRIC for the implementation of the following projects in 2024 within the framework of the 11<sup>th</sup> Call of the COMCEC Project Funding:
  - The project entitled “Developing Policy Framework Capacity in the Field of Social Security After Natural Disasters” implemented by Türkiye with the partnership of Azerbaijan, Malaysia, Tunisia, Pakistan and SESRIC,
  - The project entitled “Empowering Youth through Enhancing Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET)” implemented by SESRIC with 17 beneficiary countries.
62. **Commending** SESRIC for the successful launch of the 2023 edition of the Statistical Yearbook on OIC Member Countries and the new version of the OIC Statistics (OIC-Stat) Database, which provide critical data for evidence-based policymaking and comprehensive insights into key socio-economic indicators across OIC Member Countries, **encourages** the Member Countries and OIC Institutions to utilize these valuable tools in their policy formulation processes, and **requests** SESRIC to continue updating and improving the OIC-Stat Database to reflect emerging data needs in policymaking.
63. **Taking note with appreciation** of the efforts of the ISFD for mobilizing resources, **reiterates** its request to the Member Countries, which have pledged to the ISFD to fulfill their commitments and make fresh contributions to finance more poverty alleviation projects in Member Countries.
64. **Also taking note with appreciation** of the efforts of the OIC Labour Centre towards the implementation of the environment, climate change, and sustainability objectives set by the OIC 2025: Programme of Action and active involvement in the COP29, **encourages** Member Countries to implement just transition strategies while shifting to a green economy, including skilling, reskilling, and upskilling the current and future workforce as well as to actively participate in and contribute to the projects and training programs of the OIC Labour Centre.
65. **Taking note of** the OIC Labour Centre's activities on occupational safety and health (OSH), **encourages** the interested member countries to actively involve in the activities to be conducted by the OIC Labour Centre in these fields.
66. **Commends** the conduct of training and competition on “HackMasters Cyber Security Competition” by the Digital Transformation Office (DTO) of the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye, as the Secretariat of the COMCEC High-Level Digital Transformation Forum, on 17-19 September 2024.
67. **Also commends** the efforts of Sierra Leone for the successful implementation of the project titled “Legal and Regulatory Framework for E-Government” in 2024 within the framework of the COMCEC Project Funding.

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