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PART ONE

**RESOLUTIONS OF THE OIC FORMING
THE BASIS AND GUIDING THE ACTIVITIES
OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC
AND COMMERCIAL COOPERATION OF THE OIC**

I

RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE THIRD ISLAMIC SUMMIT CONFERENCE ESTABLISHING THE STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE OIC CHAIRED BY HEADS OF STATE

Resolution No. 13/3-P (IS)

The Third Islamic Summit Conference (Palestine and Al-Quds Session), meeting in Mecca Al-Mukarramah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, from 19th to 22nd Rabi-Al-Awal, 1401 H. (25-28 January, 1981);

Having listened to the proposals by His Majesty King HASSAN II, Chairman of Al-Quds Committee, that three committees will be established and chaired by the Kings and Presidents of the Islamic States,

Proceeding from a firm belief that joint Islamic action needs to be consolidated in the scientific and technological field, and in the economic and trade sphere,

Prompted by the desire to give information and culture a fresh impetus to help world public opinion understand the basic issues of the Islamic nations, particularly those of Al-Quds and Palestine, and to confront the tendentious campaign launched against Islam and Muslims,

DECIDES:

1. To establish three Standing Committees, the first for scientific and technological cooperation, the second for economic and trade cooperation, and the third for information and cultural affairs;
2. These Committees shall undertake to follow up implementation of the resolutions passed, or about to be passed, by the Islamic Conference in those fields; to study all possible means of strengthening cooperation among Muslim States in those fields, and to draw up programmes and submit proposals designed to increase the Islamic States' capacity in those fields;

3. Each Committee shall consist of the representatives of ten Islamic States, at ministerial level, and shall be chaired by the Head of State of an Islamic State;
4. Members of these Committees shall be elected by the Islamic Foreign Ministers' Conference for a renewable term of three years;
5. A Committee shall hold a meeting, if invited to do so by its Chairman or by a majority of its members; its meeting shall be valid if attended by a majority.

II

**FINAL COMMUNIQUE
OF THE FOURTH ISLAMIC SUMMIT CONFERENCE
ENTRUSTING THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
FOR ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL COOPERATION TO
H.E. KENAN EVREN, PRESIDENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF TURKEY**

Final Communique No. IS/4-84/E/DEC

".... The Conference decided to entrust H.E. Mr. Kenan EVREN, President of the Republic of Turkey, with the Chairmanship of the Permanent Committee on Economic and Commercial Cooperation..." (Page 18, para 40).

III

RESOLUTION No. 1/11-E (IS) ON THE ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISIONS OF THE COMCEC

The Eleventh Session of the Islamic Summit Conference (Session of the Islamic Ummah in the 21st Century) held in Dakar, Republic of Senegal from 6 to 7 Rabiul Awwal 1429H (13-14 March 2008);

Recalling the Ten-Year Programme of Action adopted by the Third Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Summit Conference held in Makkah Al-Mukarramah on 7-8 December, 2005;

Recalling also the Strategy and Plan of Action to Strengthen Economic and Commercial Cooperation Among the Member States of the OIC, approved by the Tenth Session of the COMCEC and endorsed by the Seventh Islamic Summit Conference. Recalling the resolutions adopted by Islamic Summit Conference and Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

Recalling the resolutions adopted at the twenty-three previous sessions of the COMCEC initiating effective action in economic cooperation among the Member States;

Also recalling the resolutions of the Ministerial level meetings in different areas of cooperation held under the auspices of the COMCEC;

A. Activities of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation (COMCEC):

Recalling Resolution No. 30/10-E (IS) adopted by the Tenth Session of the Islamic Summit Conference; and Resolution No. 2/34-E adopted by the Thirty-fourth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers; Recalling also Resolution No. 8/7-E(IS) of the Seventh Session of the Islamic Summit Conference, held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, from 11 to 13 Rajab 1415H (13-15 December 1994) which endorsed the Strategy and the Plan of Action; Noting with appreciation the efforts of the General Secretariat, subsidiary organs, affiliated and specialized institutions of OIC, working in the field of economy and trade, to implement the resolutions of the COMCEC;

Noting with appreciation that the Strategy for Economic and Commercial Cooperation adopted by the COMCEC allows for cooperation among sub-groups of Member States and is based on the principles giving emphasis to private sector, economic liberalization, integration with the world economy, with due respect to the economic, political, legal and constitutional structures of the Member States and their international obligations; Appreciating that, starting with its Eleventh Session, COMCEC serves as a platform where the Ministers of Economy of the Member States could exchange views on current world economic issues; Having taken note of the report of the Secretary General;

1. **Stresses** the need for COMCEC to continue to pay utmost attention to coordination and cooperation among Member States with regard to the membership of new countries that wish to join the World Trade Organization, and to the clarification of positions on the new issues and agreements under consideration within the framework of the WTO with a view to strengthening the negotiating position of these countries at the forthcoming multilateral trade negotiations especially with respect to the built-in agenda and to the new ones.

2. **Emphasizes** the need to implement the revised Plan of Action to Strengthen Economic and Commercial Cooperation Among Member States the OIC, in compliance with the principles and operational modalities of the Strategy and the procedures set forth in its chapter on Follow-up and Implementation.

3. **Invites** the Member States to host sectoral Expert Group Meetings in priority areas of cooperation in the Plan of Action, such as "Transport and Communications", "Food, Agriculture and Rural Development", "Health and Sanitary Issues", "Energy and Mining" and "Human Resources Development".

4. **Requests** the coordinators and the owners of the COMCEC projects to make necessary efforts for early implementation of these projects and **also calls** on all the member states and OIC Institutions to propose new projects and programmes to enrich the agenda of the COMCEC through the Sessional Committee.

5. **Welcomes** the successful conclusion of the first and second rounds of trade negotiations for establishment of the Trade Preferential System among the Member States of OIC (TPSOIC) which produced the Protocol on Preferential Tariff Scheme (PRETAS) and the TPSOIC Rules of Origin and expressed its appreciation to the Republic of Turkey for hosting these rounds.

6. **Adopts** the TPS-OIC as the basis for reaching the 20 percent intra-OIC trade level set by the Ten-Year Program of Action as well for enhancing and deepening trade liberalization within the OIC Community.
7. **Endorses** the target date of January 1st, 2009, taken at the First Meeting of the Ministers of Commerce of the Member States of The Trade Negotiating Committee on November 24th, 2006, in Istanbul, for the establishment of the Trade Preferential System among the Member States of OIC (TPS-OIC) and urges the Member States of the Trade Negotiating Committee to finalize the signature and ratification of the Protocol on Preferential Tariff Scheme (PRETAS) and the TPSOIC Rules of Origin at their earliest convenience in order to make the TPSOIC operational by January 1st, 2009.
8. **Calls upon/Mandates** the Chairman of the COMCEC and the Secretary General of OIC to coordinate their efforts, with a view to achieve the required number of ratifying countries for the PRETAS and the TPSOIC Rules of Origin, in order to make the TPS-OIC a reality by the target date.
9. **Welcomes** the offer of the Republic of Turkey to host a TNC meeting in the year 2008 to consider the last preparations undertaken by the TNC Member States before the implementation of the TPSOIC system and recommends a Meeting of the Ministers of Commerce of the Member States of The Trade Negotiating Committee be held in 2008 to review the work of the Trade Negotiating Committee and evaluate the progress towards a fully operational TPS-OIC.
10. **Expresses** its appreciation to the COMCEC Coordination Office and the Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT) for their performance as the Secretariat of the Trade Negotiating Committee and thanks the Islamic Development Bank for contributing to the financing of the First and Second Round of the Trade Negotiations launched on April 6th 2004 and November 24th, 2006 respectively.
11. **Welcomes** the State of Qatar, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Sultanate of Oman as new members of the TNC.
12. **Notes** with appreciation that the 23rd Session of the COMCEC was held from 13-16 November 2007, in Istanbul under the Chairmanship of the President of the Republic of Turkey and the 24th Session of the COMCEC will be held from 21-24 November 2008, in Istanbul and 24th Meeting of the Follow-up Committee of the COMCEC will be held on 13-15 May 2008 in Antalya and calls upon the Member States to effectively and actively participate in these meetings.

13. **Underlines** the crucial importance of the active participation of the private sector in economic cooperation among the Member States and expresses its appreciation to the Republic of Turkey for hosting the Economic Conference and the Business Forum on the sidelines of the 20th COMCEC and welcomes the offer of the Republic of Turkey to host the Trade Fair and International Business Forum by Turkish Independent Businessmen and Industrialists' Association (MUSIAD) bi-annually as a sideline activity of COMCEC.

14. **Recognizes** that the Exchange of Views organized during the annual sessions of the COMCEC would be utilized to coordinate the positions of the Member States vis-a-vis major world economic issues and welcomes the initiatives of COMCEC on a new mechanism for the preparation and implementation of the exchange of views sessions. Also welcomes the decision taken by the 23rd Session of the COMCEC that “improving investment climate” be the theme for the exchange of views at the 24th Session of the COMCEC.

15. **Notes** with appreciation that the 11th Trade Fair of Islamic Countries was successfully organised in Dakar, Republic of Senegal from 21st to 25th November 2007 under the High Patronage of the President of the Republic of Senegal.

16. **Welcome** the offers of the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Republic of Guinea to host the 12th and the 13th editions of the Trade Fair of Islamic Countries.

17. **Thanks** the Republic of Turkey for hosting the Experts Group Meeting on Tourism Development in Istanbul, Republic of Turkey, on 9-11 May 2007.

18. **Welcomes** the holding of OIC Forum on Enhancement and Promotion of Trade and Investment in Cotton Sector which was held in Istanbul, Turkey on 12-13 November 2007 and thanks the Republic of Turkey for hosting it and calls upon the Member Countries to support the OIC Cotton Plan of Action and deepen cooperation in this important sub-sector.

19. **Welcomes** the offer of the Republic of Turkey to host 9th Meeting of OIC Standardization Expert Group in April 2008 with the task of studying and developing OIC Halal Food Standards.

20. **Welcomes** the initiative of the COMCEC to develop cooperation with relevant international organization like ITC, UNCTAD, UNIDO, WTO, FAO, IFDA, etc. with a view to develop specific projects for trade promotion and capacity enhancement in the member countries.

PART TWO

**AGENDA, RESOLUTION AND
REPORT OF THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION
OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC
AND COMMERCIAL COOPERATION**

I

**AGENDA
OF THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION
OF THE COMCEC**

(İstanbul, 18-21 November 2013)

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**AGENDA
OF THE 29TH SESSION OF THE COMCEC
(İstanbul, 18-21 November 2013)**

1. Opening of the Meeting and Adoption of the Agenda
2. Report on the COMCEC Strategy and Its Implementation
3. The Implementation of the OIC Ten-Year Program of Action
4. World Economic Developments with Special Reference to the OIC Member Countries
5. Expansion of Intra-OIC Trade
6. Improving Transport and Communications
7. Developing a Sustainable and Competitive Tourism Sector
8. Increasing Productivity of Agriculture Sector and Sustaining Food Security
9. Report on Poverty Eradication
10. Deepening Financial Cooperation
11. Enhancing the Role of Private Sector in Economic Cooperation
12. Exchange of Views on “Increasing FDI Flows to the OIC Member Countries”
13. Date of the 30th Session of the COMCEC
14. Any Other Business
15. Adoption of the Resolutions

II

RESOLUTION OF THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE COMCEC

(İstanbul, 18-21 November 2013)

Original: English

**RESOLUTION
OF THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION
OF THE COMCEC**

(İstanbul, 18-21 November 2013)

The Twenty-Ninth Session of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the Organization of the Islamic Cooperation (COMCEC) was held in İstanbul, the Republic of Turkey, on 18-21 November 2013;

Recalling the relevant Resolutions of the Islamic Summit Conferences, the Council of Foreign Ministers (CFM) and the COMCEC, including the 12th Session of the Islamic Summit Conference, the 4th Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference, the COMCEC Economic Summit in 2009, the 39th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, and the 28th Session of the COMCEC;

Reaffirming the commitment of all Member States to the OIC Ten-Year Programme of Action (TYPOA) adopted at the 3rd Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Summit Conference held on 7-8 December 2005 in Makkah Al-Mukarramah;

Welcoming the operationalization of the COMCEC Strategy adopted by the 4th Extraordinary Islamic Summit Conference held on 14-15 August 2012 in Makkah Al-Mukarramah ;

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, 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 (IDB) Group, the Islamic Chamber of Commerce Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA) and the Standards and Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIIC) on the agenda items.

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, IDB, ICCIA, OISA and SMIIC.

Report on the COMCEC Strategy and Its Implementation (Agenda Item: 2)

- 1- **Welcomes** the operationalization of the COMCEC Strategy and **requests** the Member States and OIC Institutions to extend their support to the implementation of the Strategy.
- 2- **Welcomes** the progress achieved towards the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy in particular, the convening of the COMCEC Working Groups and the launch of the first project call within the framework of the COMCEC PCM.
- 3- **Requests** the COMCEC Coordination Office to report the progress in the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy regularly to the COMCEC Sessions and to the Follow-up Committee Meetings.
- 4- **Takes note** of the report of the COMCEC Coordination Office namely “COMCEC Annual Progress Report 2013” which provides detailed information on the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy as well as the activities organized in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the 28th Session of the COMCEC.
- 5- **Welcomes** the activities to be organized by the relevant OIC Institutions (SESRIC, ICDT, IDB, ICCIA, OISA and SMIIC) in 2014 in line with the Strategy.
- 6- **Adopts** the recommendations of the 29th Meeting of the Follow-up Committee of the COMCEC.

Implementation of the OIC Ten Year Program of Action (TYPOA) (Agenda Item: 3)

- 7- **Reaffirms** its commitment to the realization of the objectives of the TYPOA and **calls upon** the Member States and the OIC Institutions to extend required efforts towards reaching the objectives of the TYPOA.

World Economic Developments with Special Reference to the OIC Member Countries (Agenda Item: 4)

- 8- **Entrusts** the SESRIC to continue monitoring the world economic developments and their implications on the Member States and to report thereon to the annual sessions of the COMCEC.

Expansion of Intra-OIC Trade (Agenda Item: 5)

9- **Welcomes** the convening of the First and Second Meetings of the COMCEC Trade Working Group held on June 20th and October 31st 2013 in Ankara respectively and **urges** the Member States which have registered to the COMCEC Trade Working Group to attend actively to the Third Meeting of the COMCEC Trade Working Group to be held on February 27th, 2014 in Ankara with the theme of “Facilitating Intra-OIC Trade: Improving the Efficiency of the Customs Administrations” and the Fourth Meeting to be organized in Fall 2014.

10- Referring to the deliberations made during the First and Second COMCEC Trade Working Group Meetings, **acknowledges** the crucial role of the SMEs for the economies of the Member States and **urges** the Member States to improve the economic environment for the SMEs to promote their exports.

11- **Welcomes** the offer of the Republic of Turkey to organize a workshop on Competition Law Practices to be held on 9-10 December 2013 in İstanbul and the offer of Republic of Tunisia to host Seminar on competition policies in the OIC Member Countries in collaboration with ICDT in June 2014 in Tunis and **urges** the Member States to actively participate in these events.

12- **Also welcomes** the offer of the Republic of Tunisia to host the International Conference on offshoring among the OIC Member States in collaboration with ICDT in November 2014 in Tunis and **urges** the Member States to actively participate in this event.

13- **Further welcomes** the activities to be organized by the COMCEC Coordination Office, SESRIC, ICDT, IDB Group (ITFC), ICCIA, and SMIIC in 2014 in the area of trade aligned with the Strategy. (Annex I)

i) TPS-OIC

14- **Welcomes** the progress achieved by Benin, Mauritania, Sudan, Cote d’Ivoire, Niger, Morocco, Iran, Gambia, Kuwait and Djibouti towards becoming a party to the TPS-OIC **appeals** to them to finalize the remaining procedures to make the System operational at earliest convenience.

15- **Reiterates** its call on the Member States which have not yet signed or ratified TPS-OIC Agreements, namely the Framework Agreement, PRETAS and Rules of Origin, to do so and complete the following procedures at their earliest convenience:

- Notify their specific annual installments of reduction along with the list of products and the MFN applied rate applicable on October 1st, 2003.
- Complete the necessary internal legislative and administrative measures, which include printing TPS-OIC Certificate of Origin and conveying specimen impressions of stamps to the Trade Negotiating Committee Secretariat.

16- **Requests** the Trade Negotiating Committee (TNC) to consider convening its session when the required number of Member States having ratified the three TPS-OIC Agreements convey their lists of concessions to the TNC Secretariat.

ii) Islamic Trade Fairs

17- **Commends** the improvements in the number and quality of Islamic Trade Fairs and Exhibitions and **expresses** its thanks and appreciation to the following Member States for hosting Islamic Trade Fairs and Exhibitions in coordination with ICDT:

- United Arab Emirates for organizing 1st OIC Halal Food Expo on 10-12 December 2012 in Sharjah.
- Kingdom of Morocco for organizing First OIC Commercial Handicraft Expo on 11-14 April 2013 in Casablanca.
- Sultanate of Oman for hosting the 6th Agribusiness Industries Exhibition of the OIC Member States on 13-16 May 2013 in Muscat.
- Islamic Republic of Iran for hosting the 14th OIC Trade Fair from 28th October to 1st November 2013 in Tehran.
- United Arab Emirates for offering the organization of 2nd OIC Halal Expo on 16-18 December 2013.

18- **Welcomes** the offers of the following Member States to host Islamic Trade Fairs in collaboration with ICDT in 2014:

- State of the United Arab Emirates (Emirate of Sharjah)
1st OIC TPOs for English Speaking Countries (19-28 March 2014 in Sharjah)
- Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
7th OIC Agribusiness Expo (13-16 April 2014 in Jeddah)

- Republic of Tunisia
2nd OIC Tourism Fair (23-26 April 2014 in Tunis)
- Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
1st Exhibition on Furniture, Decoration, Household and Electrical Appliances
(11-14 May 2014 in Jeddah)
- Republic of Senegal
2nd OIC Health Expo (26-29 June 2014 in Dakar)
- Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
1st OIC Hajj and Omrah Expo (16-20 November 2014 in Madinah Al-Munawwarah)
- State of United Arab Emirates (Emirate of Sharjah)
3rd OIC Halal Expo (December 2014)

19- **Requests** ICDT to continue holding sector specific fairs in cooperation with the Member States and submit regular progress reports on the fairs to the COMCEC Sessions.

iii) Road Map for Enhancing Intra-OIC Trade

20- **Takes note** that, despite the world economic and financial instability, the net volume of intra-OIC trade reached USD 371 billion and the share in the overall foreign trade of Member States reached 18.21% in 2012.

21- **Requests** the Member States to keep on providing the ICDT with data relating to trade and investment statistics and regulations.

22- **Takes note** of the report of the “5th Meeting of the Consultative Group for Enhancing Intra-OIC trade” held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, on 27-28 February 2013 and **requests** the Consultative Group to carry out its work with the active participation of the OIC Institutions in line with the relevant resolutions of the COMCEC and in accordance with its mandate.

23- **Also takes note** of the report of the “OIC High Level Forum on Trade Facilitation & Single Window Initiatives for Enhanced Regional Economic Cooperation” in Casablanca (Kingdom of Morocco) on 25-26 February 2013 and **calls upon** the Member States which have not done so, to establish National Single Window to facilitate their international trade.

iv) WTO Related Technical Assistance

24- **Welcomes** the accession of the Republic of Tajikistan to the WTO and **encourages** the non-WTO Member OIC Countries, to join this organization and **requests** the WTO Member OIC Countries to support the new OIC acceding countries. In this regard, **welcomes** the offer of the Republic of Turkey to provide technical assistance to these countries.

25- **Calls on** IDB and ICDT to continue providing technical assistance to the Member States on WTO-related issues and report their activities to the COMCEC Sessions.

26- **Invites** the World Trade Organization (WTO) to consider favourably granting observer status within WTO to the ICDT in order to help it follow-up WTO matters, including studies, research, capacity building and reports to OIC Fora.

v) Trade Financing Activities

27- **Takes note** of the trade finance activities of IDB Group (ITFC) and the mobilization of funds from the international market for funding the trade operations in the member countries, contributing towards the achievement of intra-OIC trade target of 20 percent.

28- **Requests** the IDB Group (ITFC) to consider developing new credit instruments covering both medium and long term finance for semi-capital and capital goods.

29- **Stresses** the importance of the “Aid for Trade (Aft) initiative to the Arab States” initiated by the International Trade Finance Corporation (ITFC) to help 22 Arab countries (members of the League of Arab States) to expand trade beyond current levels, boost economic growth and employment, reverse deindustrialization, **calls upon** ITFC and its regional and international partners to support its successful implementation as soon as possible and **invites** the concerned Member States to actively participate and support the implementation of this initiative.

30- **Takes note with appreciation** the offer of the Republic of Turkey to share the experience of Türk Eximbank with the other Member States and cooperate with the Export Credit Agencies (ECAs) of other member states to increase bilateral trade.

vi) Trade Related Activities of SMIIC

31- **Acknowledges** the increasing visibility of the SMIIC through organizing capacity building activities in its field of competence.

32- **Welcomes** the establishment of seven technical committees as well as accreditation committee and Metrology Committee under SMIIC which would expedite the development of standardization, accreditation and metrology in the Member States and **calls upon** the Member States and the OIC institutions to support the activities of the SMIIC.

33- **Also welcomes** the membership of Palestine, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Burkina Faso, Egypt, Lebanon and Afghanistan to SMIIC and **requests** the Member States which have not done so far, to join SMIIC to benefit from the services provided by the SMIIC.

Improving Transport and Communications (Agenda Item 6)

34- **Welcomes** the convening of the First and Second Meetings of the COMCEC Transport Working Group on March 28th and October 8th, 2013 in Ankara Turkey respectively.

35- **Requests** the Member States, which have not done so to notify their focal points for the Transport Working Group to the COMCEC Coordination Office and **encourages** them to participate in the Third Meeting of the Group to be held on March 13th, 2014 with the theme of “Developing Multi-modal Freight Transport among the Member States” and the Fourth Meeting to be held in Fall 2014 in Ankara, Turkey.

36- **Welcomes** the recent developments with regard to the final prefeasibility studies on the OIC Dakar-Port Sudan Railway Project in the framework of cooperation between OIC and African Union. **Requests** the participating Member States to submit the relevant documents on their national segments on the railway line for further action before eventual convening of a donors conference on this project.

37- **Also welcomes** the activities to be organized by COMCEC Coordination Office, SESRIC and OISA in 2014 in the area of transport and communications in line with the COMCEC Strategy (Annex I).

Developing a Sustainable and Competitive Tourism Sector (Agenda Item 7)

38- **Welcomes** the convening of the First and Second Meetings of the COMCEC Tourism Working Group on April 25th and October 3rd 2013 in Ankara, Turkey respectively.

39- **Requests** the Member States, which have not done so to notify their focal points for the Tourism Working Group to the COMCEC Coordination Office and **encourages** them to participate in the Third Meeting of the Group to be held on March 4th, 2014 with the theme of “Enabling the Tourism Investment Climate in the COMCEC Region” and the Fourth Meeting to be organized in Fall 2014.

40- **Welcomes** the offer of the Republic of the Gambia to host the 8th Session of the Islamic Conference of Tourism Ministers (ICTM) on 3-5 December 2013 in Banjul and urges the Member States to actively participate in the event.

41- **Also welcomes** the offer of the Republic of Turkey to organize the 2nd Meeting of the OIC/COMCEC Private Sector Tourism Forum on 16th-17th December 2013 in Istanbul with the theme of “Effective Marketing Strategies for Promoting Tourism Destinations in the COMCEC Region” and **calls upon** all the Member Countries to encourage their private sector representatives to actively participate in this important event.

42- **Welcomes** the organization of the 4th Conference on Health Tourism in Masshad, Iran by Islamic Republic of Iran on 26-27 November 2013 and **invites** the Member States and the private sector to participate in this Conference.

43- With a view to facilitating the mobilization of funds needed for the financing of the project on “Sustainable Tourism Development in A Network of Cross-Border and Protected Areas in West Africa”, **requests** the participating Member States to include the project as a priority in their development programmes submitted to bilateral and multilateral donors and to submit the projects related to national segments to the next Steering Committee meeting of the project

44- **Calls on** the concerned Member Countries; Stakeholders of the Project to implement the above mentioned recommendations with a view to facilitating the mobilization of funds needed for the financing of the Project.

Increasing Productivity of Agriculture Sector and Sustaining Food Security (Agenda Item: 8)

45- **Welcomes** the convening of the First Meeting of the COMCEC Agriculture Working Group on June 6th 2013 in Ankara, Turkey.

46- **Requests** the Member States, which have not done so to notify their focal points for the Agriculture Working Group to the COMCEC Coordination Office and **encourages** them to participate in the Second Meeting of the Working Group to be held on December 19th, 2013 with the theme of *"Encouraging Foreign Direct Investments (FDIs) in the COMCEC Region for Increasing Agricultural Productivity"*, Third Meeting to be held on April 3rd, 2014, with the theme of *"Improving the Statistical Capacity of the Agriculture Sector in the COMCEC Region"* and Fourth Meeting to be held in Fall 2014.

47- **Welcomes** the activities to be organized by the COMCEC Coordination Office, SESRIC and ICCIA in 2014, in the area of agriculture in line with the Strategy. (Annex-I).

48- **Notes** with appreciation the efforts of the Republic of Turkey and the SESRIC in organizing training courses on different technical agricultural and food security aspects in the Member States within the framework of the OIC Agriculture Capacity Building Programme.

Report on Poverty Eradication (Agenda Item 9)

49- **Welcomes** the convening of the First Meeting of the COMCEC Poverty Alleviation Working Group on June 27th, 2013 in Ankara, Turkey.

50- **Requests** the Member States, which have not done so to notify their focal points for the Poverty Alleviation Working Group to the COMCEC Coordination Office and **encourages** them to participate in the Second Meeting of the Working Group to be held on December 26th, 2013 with the theme of *"Targeting Mechanisms of the Social Safety Net Systems in the COMCEC Region"*, Third Meeting to be held on April 10th, 2014 with the theme of *"Monitoring Mechanisms of the Social Safety Net Programmes in the COMCEC Region"* and Fourth Meeting to be held in Fall 2014.

51- **Also welcomes** the activities to be organized by the COMCEC Coordination Office, SESRIC and ICCIA in 2014 in the area of poverty alleviation in line with the Strategy. (Annex-I).

i) Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD) and Special Program for Development of Africa (SPDA)

52- **Reiterates** its request to the Member Countries which have pledged to the ISFD to fulfill their commitments so as to enable it to finance more projects in Member States.

53- **Welcomes** the initiatives of ISFD aimed at achieving and intensifying the efforts for resource mobilization and advocacy.

54- **Also welcomes** the efforts of the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) for mobilization of resources from different financing institutions for the implementation of the Special Programme for the Development of Africa (SPDA).

55- **Takes note** of the initiative of IDB Group for formulating an action plan to facilitate the effective implementation of the projects and to assess the effectiveness of the SPDA.

ii) OIC Cotton Program

56- **Takes note** of the report of the 6th Steering Committee Meeting of the OIC Cotton Action Plan held on April 3rd, 2013 in Ankara, Turkey.

57- **Calls upon** the IDB to organize the 5th Project Committee Meeting in the first quarter of 2014 with the view to exploring the possibility, in collaboration with the project owners, of redesigning the cotton projects that are yet to be financed, in such a format that may render them eligible for applying for different schemes of financing as soft projects.

58- **Takes note with appreciation** of the efforts of SESRIC in organizing training courses on various cotton-related aspects in the Member States within the framework of the OIC Cotton Training Programme (OIC-CTP), and urges the Cotton Research Centres of Excellence to enhance their cooperation with SESRIC in implementing these training courses.

iii) OIC-VET Program

59- **Takes note** of the efforts of SESRIC towards initiating and implementing various capacity building programmes and training courses in different fields and areas of interest to the Member States within the framework of OIC-VET Programme with a view to enhancing the capacities and quality of human resources in these countries.

60- **Requests** the SESRIC and IDB to continue developing and implementing new projects and initiatives under the OIC-VET sub-programmes, and **calls upon** the Member States to participate in and support the various capacity building programmes of SESRIC under the OIC-VET Programme through activating the role of their National Focal Points (NFPs) in this important Programme.

61- **Takes note** of the study entitled “Managing Disasters and Conflicts in OIC Member Countries” prepared by SESRIC and IDB, at the request of the 27th Session of the COMCEC and **invites** the Member States to present their views on its content within a period of 3 months to the COMCEC Coordination Office for its consideration by the next Session of the COMCEC.

Deepening Financial Cooperation (Agenda Item 10)

62- **Requests** the Member States, which have not done so to notify their focal points for the COMCEC Finance Working Group to the COMCEC Coordination Office and **encourages** them to participate in the First Meeting of the Working Group to be held on December 12th, 2013 with the theme of “*Enhancing Capital Flows among COMCEC Member Countries*”, Second Meeting to be held on March 27th, 2014 with the theme of “*Enhancing Financial Inclusion in COMCEC Countries*” and the Third Meeting to be held in Fall 2014.

63- **Welcomes** the activities to be organized by COMCEC Coordination Office, SESRIC, IDB Group and ICCIA in 2014 in the area of finance in line with the Strategy. (Annex-I)

i) OIC Member States’ Stock Exchanges Forum

64- **Takes note** of the report of the Seventh Meeting of the OIC Member States’ Stock Exchanges Forum on September 19th, 2013 in İstanbul.

65- **Recalling** the relevant decision of the 28th Session of the COMCEC, **requests** the Member States and IDB to lend their support for the promotion of the S&P OIC/COMCEC Index in the Member States.

66- **Welcomes** the offer of the Republic of Turkey to host the 8th Meeting of the Forum in 2014 in İstanbul and **requests** all the member states to actively participate in this Meeting.

ii) COMCEC Capital Markets Regulators Forum

67- **Takes note** of the report of the Second Meeting of the COMCEC Capital Market Regulators Forum on September 19th, 2013 in İstanbul and **invites** the Member States to support the efforts of the COMCEC Capital Market Regulators Forum through participating its meetings, contributing to the accomplishment of the mandates of the Task Forces, appointing contact persons to follow up work and using the its website effectively.

68- **Welcomes** the offer of the Republic of Turkey to host the next Meeting of the Forum in 2014 in İstanbul and **requests** all the Member States to actively participate in this Meeting.

iii) *Meetings of the Central Banks and Monetary Authorities*

69- **Acknowledges** the on-going concerns on global financial situation, and **welcomes** the close cooperation among the Central Banks and Monetary Authorities of the Member States.

70- **Also welcomes** the convening of the 13th Meeting of the OIC Central Banks and Monetary Authorities and the workshop with the theme of “Impact of Recent International Financial Regulatory Reforms on OIC Countries” to be hosted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 27-28 November 2013 in Jeddah and **requests** the Member States to actively participate in these events.

71- **Takes note** with appreciation the organization of capacity building and experience sharing programs among the Central Banks of the Member States by SESRIC in coordination with the Member States.

Enhancing the Role of Private Sector in Economic Cooperation (Agenda Item 11)

i) *Private Sector Meetings*

72- **Takes note** of the activities of the ICCIA in promoting Intra-Islamic Trade, by providing opportunities to the private sector for networking, through private sector meetings, seminars and Workshops and **calls upon** the IDB Group to support ICCIA in this respect.

73- **Takes note** of the recommendations of the 15th Private Sector Meeting, the 7th Businesswomen Forum held jointly in Tehran, Iran on 28-30 October 2013 and the 6th Businesswomen Forum in Islamic Countries held in Kingdom of Bahrain on 12th – 14th December 2012

74- **Calls upon** the private sector of the Member States to actively participate in the following activities to be organized by the ICCIA:

- 16th Private Sector Meeting for Promotion of Trade and Joint Venture Investment among the Islamic Countries (Sharjah, UAE – 20-22 March 2014).

- Seminar on Creating awareness of the utilities and privileges of various OIC Agreements (TPS-OIC) (Sharjah – U.A.E. 22 March 2014).
- Workshop on Capacity Building on Value Chain Analysis for Agri-Business (Sudan - April 2014).
- Second Regional Workshop for Zakat Organizations (Africa-2014).
- 8th Forum for Businesswomen in Islamic Countries (2014).

75- **Takes note** of the report of the Workshop on “Cooperation and Experience Sharing Among the Trade Registry Agencies of the OIC Member States” on 11-12 September 2013, in Ankara, Turkey.

76- **Appreciates** the willingness of the Republic of Turkey through Small and Medium Enterprises Development Organization of Turkey (KOSGEB) to continue organizing experience sharing programmes in 2014 with the similar institutions of requesting countries within the bounds of possibility.

77- **Requests** the Member States to communicate their focal points from SME Support Institutions to the COMCEC Coordination Office to facilitate organization of the capacity building and experience sharing programs.

Exchange of Views on “Increasing Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Flows to the OIC Member Countries” (Agenda Item 12)

78- **Takes note** of the report of the workshop on “FDI Flows to the OIC Member Countries” organized by the COMCEC Coordination Office and SESRIC in cooperation with the IDB Group (ICIEC) on September 30th – October 1st 2013 in Ankara, Turkey.

i) Theme of the next Exchange of Views Session

79- **Decides on** “The Role of Public Private Partnerships for the Development of the Tourism Sector in OIC Member States ” as the theme for the Exchange of Views at the 30th Session of the COMCEC and **requests** the COMCEC Coordination Office and SESRIC to organize a workshop on this topic prior to the 30th Session of the COMCEC and report its outcomes to the said COMCEC Session.

Date of the 30th Session of the COMCEC (Agenda Item 13)

80- **Decides** that the 30th Meeting of the Follow-up Committee will be held on 7-8 May 2014 in Ankara and the 30th Session of the COMCEC will be held on 25-28 November 2014 in İstanbul.

Any Other Business (Agenda Item: 14)***i) Renewal of the Bureau Members***

81- **Elects** State of Kuwait, Republic of Indonesia and Republic of Niger as Vice-Chairmen of the Bureau of the COMCEC to represent the Arab, Asian and African Regions, respectively, and Islamic Republic of Pakistan as Rapporteur, to assume their posts as of the 30th Meeting of the Follow-up Committee of the COMCEC; as a result of the election, the composition of the Follow-up Committee is as follows;

<u>Country</u>	<u>Status</u>
Republic of Turkey	: Chairman (Permanent)
State of Palestine	: Vice-Chairman (Permanent)
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	: Vice-Chairman (Permanent)
Arab Republic of Egypt	: Chairman of the Current Summit
State of Kuwait	: Vice-Chairman (Representing the Arab Region)
Republic of Indonesia	: Vice-Chairman (Representing the Asian Region)
Republic of Niger	: Vice-Chairman (Representing the African Region)
State of Qatar	: Member of the Previous Bureau
Republic of Kazakhstan	: Member of the Previous Bureau
Republic of Mali	: Member of the Previous Bureau
Islamic Republic of Pakistan	: Rapporteur

Annex 1: LIST OF ACTIVITIES
TO BE ORGANIZED BY THE OIC INSTITUTIONS ALIGNED WITH THE COMCEC STRATEGY
(2013- 2014)

No	Host Institution	Theme of the Activity	Type of the Activity	Relevant Cooperation Area	Partners	Date	Venue
1	SESRIC	International Integrated Water Management Symposium	Workshop	Agriculture	Ministry of Forestry and Water Affairs of Turkey, Environment Ministries OIC Member Countries	December 2013	Turkey
2	SESRIC	International Rural Development Conference	Workshop, Conference	Agriculture	Agriculture and Rural Development Support Agency, Turkey	To be decided	Turkey
3	SESRIC	ISIP Internship in Turkey	Internship	Agriculture	Ministry of Agriculture, Turkey and IDB, 5 Member Countries	To be decided	Ankara, Turkey
4	SESRIC	Study Visit on “Development of Cotton Production and Technology	Study Visit	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey, Ministry of Agriculture of Afghanistan	To be decided	Turkey
5	SESRIC	Study visit on Gene Bank Technologies	Study Visit	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey, OIC Cotton Excellence Centers	To be decided	Turkey
6	SESRIC	Training on Agronomy: Crop Management / Soil Tillage	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey	To be decided	Bangladesh, Mali
7	SESRIC	Training on Breeding & Biotechnology: Hybridization	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey	To be decided	Mozambique
8	SESRIC	Training on Land Management: Land Conservation, Improvement and Erosion; Soil Analysis and Mapping	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Agricultural Research Centre of Egypt ; Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey; Ministry of Agriculture of Iraq;	To be decided	Sudan, Gambia, Bangladesh

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9	SESRIC	Training on Livestock Management: Animal Diseases and Combat with Animal Diseases; Poultry Husbandry (Layer Hen) and Feeding	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Agriculture of Iraq; Ministry of Agriculture, Breeding and Fishing of Togo	February 2014	Saudi Arabia, Comoros
10	SESRIC	Training on Plant Protection: Biological Control	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey	To be decided	Uganda
11	SESRIC	Training on Quality Improvement: Seed Quality, Preparation and Delineation	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey	To be decided	Sudan
12	SESRIC	Training on Seed Development: Laboratory Tests and Certificates	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Agriculture of Iraq	December 2013	Kuwait
13	SESRIC	Training on Transport and Marketing: Impact Analysis in Agricultural Support Policies	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Office of the Agricultural Vocational Training (BFPA) of Senegal	To be decided	Togo
14	SESRIC	Training on Water Resources Management	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Forestry and Water Affairs of Turkey	March 2014	Iraq
15	SESRIC	Training Programme on Artificial Insemination and Embryo Transfer	Capacity Building, Study Visit	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey, IDB and Ministries OIC Member Countries	January 2014	Turkey
16	SESRIC	Workshop on Modern Irrigation Techniques	Workshop	Agriculture	Ministry of Forestry and Water Affairs of Turkey, International Organisations	2014	Turkey
17	SESRIC	4 th Session of the OIC-StatCom	Meeting	All Cooperation Areas	IDB	May 2014	To be decided

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18	SESRIC	6th Meeting of the Delegates of the National Statistical Offices of the OIC Member Countries	Meeting	All Cooperation Areas	-	March 2014	New York, USA
19	SESRIC	Expert Group Meeting on Islamic Banking and Finance Statistics	EGM	All Cooperation Areas	IDB	January 2014	Ankara, Turkey
20	SESRIC	Fifth Meeting of the Monitoring and Advisory Committee (MAC)	Meeting	All Cooperation Areas	-	To be Determined	To be Determined
21	SESRIC	International E-Learning Workshop	Workshop	All Cooperation Areas	Relate OIC Member Countries' institutions, civil society, international organizations and private sector	To be decided	To be decided
22	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Data Dissemination and Publication	Training	All Cooperation Areas	Palestine	To be decided	Saudi Arabia
23	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Database Design and Management; Education Statistics	Training	All Cooperation Areas	Pakistan	December 2013	Bangladesh
24	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Statistical Data Analysis	Training	All Cooperation Areas	Iran	To be decided	Kyrgyzstan
25	SESRIC	Training Program on "Statistical Database Design and Visualization Tools Development"	Workshop	All Cooperation Areas	-	11-12 December 2013	Ankara, Turkey
26	SESRIC	Balance of Payments	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Malaysia	To be Determined	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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27	SESRIC	Company Awareness	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Egypt Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Cameroon
28	SESRIC	Employee (Human Resources) Awareness	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Pakistan Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Malaysia
29	SESRIC	External Debt and International Economic Relations	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Undersecretariat of Treasury of the Prime Ministry of the Republic of Turkey	To be confirmed	Kuwait, Jordan, Egypt, Senegal, Djibouti, Pakistan, Azerbaijan
30	SESRIC	Financial Stability	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Turkey	To be Determined	Mozambique
31	SESRIC	Forecasting Methods	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Turkey	To be Determined	
32	SESRIC	Inflation Targeting	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Djibouti	To be Determined	Djibouti
33	SESRIC	Inflation Targeting and Balance of Payments	Seminar	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Turkey, Sudan, Iraq, Yemen, Egypt	25-29 November	Istanbul, Turkey
34	SESRIC	Insurance and Private Pensions	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Undersecretariat of Treasury of the Prime Ministry of the Republic of Turkey	To be confirmed	Kuwait, Egypt
35	SESRIC	Investor and Financial Community Awareness	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Istanbul Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Azerbaijan
36	SESRIC	Islamic Debt and Equity Markets and Products	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Egypt Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Palestine
37	SESRIC	Meeting of OIC Central Banks and Monetary Authorities	Conference	Financial Cooperation	To be determined	27-28 November 2013	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
38	SESRIC	Microfinance	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Bangladesh	To be Determined	Yemen

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39	SESRI	Public Finance and Operations of Debt Management	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Undersecretariat of Treasury of the Prime Ministry of the Republic of Turkey	To be confirmed	Kuwait, Jordan, Egypt
40	SESRI	Reserve Management	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Turkey	To be Determined	Uganda
41	SESRI	Risk Management	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Tunisia	To be Determined	Tunis, Tunisia
42	SESRI	Rules of Listing, Disclosure and Transparency	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Istanbul Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Iran
43	SESRI	Short-term Training on Income and Consumption	Training	Financial Cooperation	Morocco	To be decided	Qatar
44	SESRI	Short-term Training on Quarterly National Accounts	Training	Financial Cooperation	Morocco	To be decided	Kuwait
45	SESRI	Short-term Training on Government Finance	Training	Financial Cooperation	Indonesia	To be decided	Pakistan
46	SESRI	Short-term Training on System National Accounts 2008	Training	Financial Cooperation	Turkey	January 2014	Saudi Arabia
47	SESRI	Strategic Role of Investor Relations	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Egypt Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Egypt
48	SESRI	Treasury Management and Liquidity Issues in Islamic Finance	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Istanbul Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Pakistan
49	SESRI	Poverty Alleviation Programme Field Visit to Egypt and Tunisia	Field Visit	Poverty Alleviation	Ministry of Insurance and Social Affairs of Arab Republic of Egypt and Tunisia and Ministry of Family and Social Policy of the Republic of Turkey	To be Determined	Cairo, Egypt / Tunis, Tunisia

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50	SESRIC	Regional poverty reduction policies	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Ministry of Family and Social Policy of the Republic of Turkey	To be Determined	Djibouti
51	SESRIC	Rural Development Projects	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Ministry of Family and Social Policy of the Republic of Turkey	To be Determined	Afghanistan
52	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Migration Statistics	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Morocco	To be decided	United Arab Emirates
53	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Census survey design and sampling techniques	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Indonesia	To be decided	Kuwait
54	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Labour Force	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Iran	To be decided	Tajikistan
55	SESRIC	Skill Development for Youth Employment Field Visit to Cameroon "Need Assessment Study"	Study Visit	Poverty Alleviation	Ministry of Labour	To be Determined	Yaoundé, Cameroon
56	SESRIC	Cloth Painting and Leather Crafting	Capacity Building	Trade	ISMEK and Vocational Institutions in Jordan	To be Determined	Istanbul, Turkey
57	SESRIC	Competition Law and Policy	Training	Trade	Turkish Competition Authority	To be Determined	Indonesia, Qatar, Cameroon, Burkina Faso, Djibouti, Egypt, Gambia
58	SESRIC	Machine Embroidery" and "Sewing Women's Outer Clothing	Capacity Building	Trade	ISMEK and Vocational Institutions in Yemen	To be Determined	Istanbul, Turkey
59	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Business Registers	Training	Trade	Tunisia	To be decided	Sudan
60	SESRIC	Railway Safety Management Training	Capacity Building	Transportation	Turkish State Railways	5-8 November 2013	Turkey

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61	SESRIC	Study visit on Railway Simulation Technologies / Railway System Technologies	Study Visit	Transportation	Turkish State Railways, Iranian Railways, UIC	2014	Turkey, Iran
62	SESRIC	Training on Financing of Railways and Factors effecting Route Selection; Standards and Proficiency of Railway Professions	Capacity Building	Transportation	Turkish State Railways, UIC	2014	Turkey
63	SMIIC	Building and Enhancing Standardization, Metrology and Accreditation Capacity in the OIC Member States	Workshop/ Training	Trade	Islamic Development Bank (IDB)	Last Quarter of 2013-2014	North African Arabic Speaking Countries; African French Speaking Countries; African English Speaking Countries; Central Asian Countries (CACs)
64	SMIIC	Metrology Committee Meeting	Technical Meeting	Trade	SMIIC and SMIIC Metrology Committee	23-24 September 2013	Dubai, UAE
65	SMIIC	Accreditation Committee Meeting	Technical Meeting	Trade	SMIIC and SMIIC Accreditation Committee	November 2013	Konya, The Republic of Turkey and/or Dubai, UAE
66	SMIIC	2. International Halal and Healthy Food Congress	Congress	Trade	Necmettin Erbakan University, Konya Municipality, Halal and Healthy Food Platform and SMIIC	7-10 November 2013	Konya, Republic of Turkey

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67	OISA	Promote shipping in OIC countries and strengthen relationship between OISA and Turkish Shipbuilder's Association (GISBIR)	Signing Memorandum	Transport	Turkish Shipbuilder's Association (GISBIR)	27 November 2013	Dubai
68	OISA	Strengthen relationship between OISA and Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport (AAST-MT)	Signing Memorandum	Transport	Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport (AAST-MT)	27 November 2013	Dubai
69	OISA	Increase Business Opportunity	EC & GA Meeting	Transport	Bangladesh Shipbuilding Yards	27 November 2013	Dubai
70	ICCIA	OIC Chamber Academy Program	Training Program	Finance	TOBB, ITFC/IDB	Tbd	Ankara, Turkey
71	ICCIA	15th Private Sector Meeting for Promotion of trade and joint venture investment among the OIC	Private Sector Meeting	Private Sector Cooperation	MC's, IDB	28-30 October 2013	Tehran, Iran
72	ICCIA	7th Forum for Businesswomen in Islamic Countries	Forum	Poverty Alleviation	MC's	28-30 October 2013	Tehran, Iran
73	ICCIA	2nd Regional Workshop for Zakat Organizations	Workshop	Poverty Alleviation	MC's	Tbd	Chambers of Commerce of African Countries
74	ICCIA	Seminar on Creating awareness of the utilities and privileges of various OIC Agreements (TPS-OIC)	Seminar	Trade	MC's	20-22 March 2014	Sharjah, U.A.E.

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75	ICCIA	Workshop on Capacity Building on Value Chain Analysis for Agri-Business	Workshop	Agriculture	MCs, PGTF	First Quarter of 2014	Sudan
76	ICCIA	WIEF-ICCIA Web-Reach Internet Marketing Workshop	Workshop	Trade	The World Islamic Economic Forum (WIEF)	2014	Pakistan
77	ICDT	Development of R & D, technological innovation and Intellectual property for the Member States of the OIC	Seminar	Trade	The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and The Moroccan Office of Industrial and Commercial Property (OMPIC)	24-25 October 2013	Casablanca, Morocco
78	ICDT	14th Trade Fair of the OIC Member States (TFOIC 2013)	Fair	Trade	Ministry of Trade of the Islamic Republic of Iran, IIEC-Iran	28 October- 1 November 2013	Tehran, Iran
79	ICDT	1st International Exhibition on Muslim Business	Fair	Trade	Ministry of Economy and Finance of Senegal	14-16 November 2013	Dakar, Senegal
80	ICDT	2nd OIC Halal Food Exhibition	Fair	Trade	Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Sharjah, Expo Centre of Sharjah	16-18 December 2013	Sharjah, UAE
81	ICDT	Training for Primo exporters	Training Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Commerce, Industry and New Technologies of Morocco, ASMEX	22-23 December 2013	Casablanca, Morocco
82	ICDT	12th Meeting of the Economic Counsellors to the Embassies of the OIC Member States accredited to the Kingdom of Morocco	Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Commerce, Industry and New Technologies of Morocco	January 2014	Rabat, Morocco
83	ICDT	Seminar on the outcomes of the WTO Ministerial Conference	Seminar	Trade	IDB Group	January 2014	Casablanca, Morocco

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84	ICDT	Training Seminar on E-marketing for Women entrepreneurs	Training Seminar	Trade	WIEF	February 2014	Casablanca, Morocco
85	ICDT	6th Meeting of the OIC Consultative Group for Enhancing Intra-OIC Trade	Seminar	Trade	ITFC and Ministry of Commerce, Industry and New Technologies of Morocco	February 2014	Marrakesh, Morocco
86	ICDT	1st OIC TPOs for English Speaking Countries	Seminar	Trade	Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Sharjah	19-28 March 2014	Sharjah, UAE
87	ICDT	Seminar on the impact of TPSOIC Agreement on WAEMU Countries' economies	Seminar	Trade	WAEMU Secretariat	March 2014	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
88	ICDT	Seminar on NTBs in OIC Member Countries	Seminar	Trade	IDB Group	March 2014	Casablanca, Morocco
89	ICDT	7th OIC Agribusiness Expo	Fair	Trade	Al Harithy Company	13-16 April 2014	Jeddah, KSA
90	ICDT	2nd OIC Tourism Fair	Fair	Trade	Ministry of Tourism of Tunisia	23-26 April 2014	Tunis, Tunisia
91	ICDT	Seminar on Market approaches of GCC countries and Libya	Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Commerce, Industry and New Technologies of Morocco and ASMEX	April 2014	Casablanca, Morocco
92	ICDT	1st Exhibition on Furniture, Decoration, Household and Electrical Appliances in the OIC Member States	Fair	Trade	Al Harithy Company	11-14 May 2014	Jeddah, KSA

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93	ICDT	Awareness-raising and training seminars on the TPS/OIC	Training Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Economy and Trade	End of May 2014	Ramallah, Palestine
94	ICDT	2nd OIC Health Expo	Fair	Trade	Ministry of Commerce and informal sector of Senegal	26-29 June 2014	Dakar, Senegal
95	ICDT	Seminar on competition policies in the OIC Member Countries: current status and prospects	Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Trade and Handicraft of Tunisia	June 2014	Tunis, Tunisia
96	ICDT	3rd OIC Central Asia Business Forum	Fair and Forum	Trade	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade	September 2014	Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei/Singapore
97	ICDT	International Conference on Offshoring among the OIC Member States	Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Trade and Handicraft of Tunisia	November 2014	Tunis, Tunisia
98	IDB Group	9 th International Conference on Zakat	Advisory Conference	Financial Cooperation	Zakat Institutions/Bank Al Zakat Jordan	26 Nov 2013	Jordan
99	IDB Group	IDB Ministerial Consultative Meeting of OIC Member Countries, on the Eve of the 9 th WTO Ministerial Conference	Consultative Meeting	Financial Cooperation	MCs	02 December 2013	Bali, Indonesia
100	IDB Group	Deepening Regional Cooperation and Integration for Sustainable Development	Expert Group Meeting	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MCs, Regional and OIC institutions	Mar/Apr 2014	IDB Group Headquarters, Jeddah
101	IDB Group	Symposium on Deepening Regional Cooperation and Integration for Sustainable Development	Symposium	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MCs, Regional and OIC institutions	June 2014	Jeddah

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102	IDB Group	Public-Private Partnership for Financing Infrastructure Projects	Training Program	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MCs and OIC Institutions	Mar 2014	Jordan
103	IDB Group	Regulation and Supervision of Islamic Banks	Training Program	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MC, OIC and financial Institutions	Mar 2014	Maldives
104	IDB Group	Regulation and Supervision of Islamic Banks	Training Program	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MC, OIC and financial Institutions	June 2014	Brunei
105	CCO	1 st Meeting of the Finance Working Group	Meeting	Finance	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	December 12 th , 2013	Ankara, Turkey
106	CCO	2 nd Meeting of the Agriculture Working Group	Meeting	Agriculture	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	December 19 th , 2013	Ankara, Turkey
107	CCO	2 nd Meeting of the Poverty Alleviation Working Group	Meeting	Poverty Alleviation	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	December 26 th , 2013	Ankara, Turkey
108	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Trade Working Group	Meeting	Trade	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	February 27 th , 2014	Ankara, Turkey
109	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Tourism Working Group	Meeting	Tourism	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	March 6 th , 2014	Ankara, Turkey
110	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Transport Working Group	Meeting	Transport	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	March 13 th , 2014	Ankara, Turkey
111	CCO	2 nd Meeting of the Finance Working Group	Meeting	Finance	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	March 27 th , 2014	Ankara, Turkey

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112	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Agriculture Working Group	Meeting	Agriculture	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	April 3 rd , 2014	Ankara, Turkey
113	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Poverty Alleviation Working Group	Meeting	Poverty Alleviation	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	April 10 th , 2014	Ankara, Turkey
114	CCO	30 th Meeting of the Follow-up Committee of COMCEC	Meeting		Relevant MCs and OIC Institutions	May 2014	Ankara, Turkey
115	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Trade Working Group	Meeting	Trade	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara, Turkey
116	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Tourism Working Group	Meeting	Tourism	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara, Turkey
117	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Transport Working Group	Meeting	Transport	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara, Turkey
118	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Finance Working Group	Meeting	Finance	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara, Turkey
119	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Agriculture Working Group	Meeting	Agriculture	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara, Turkey
120	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Poverty Alleviation Working Group	Meeting	Poverty Alleviation	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara, Turkey
121	CCO	30 th Session of the COMCEC	Meeting		MCs, OIC and other international institutions	November 2014	Istanbul, Turkey

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REPORT OF THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE COMCEC

(İstanbul, 18-21 November 2013)

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**REPORT OF THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION
OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL
COOPERATION OF THE OIC
(İstanbul, 18-21 November 2013)**

1. The Twenty-Ninth Session of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the Organization of the Islamic Cooperation (COMCEC) was held on 18-21 November 2013 in İstanbul.

2. The Session was attended by the representatives of the following Member States of the Organization of the Islamic Cooperation (OIC):

- 1- Islamic Republic of Afghanistan
- 2- Republic of Albania
- 3- People's Democratic Republic of Algeria
- 4- Republic of Azerbaijan
- 5- Kingdom of Bahrain
- 6- People's Republic of Bangladesh
- 7- Brunei Darussalam
- 8- Burkina Faso
- 9- Republic of Cameroon
- 10-Union of the Comoros
- 11-Republic of Cote d'Ivoire
- 12-Republic of Djibouti
- 13-Arab Republic of Egypt
- 14-Republic of the Gambia
- 15-Republic of Guinea
- 16-Republic of Indonesia
- 17-Islamic Republic of Iran
- 18-Republic of Iraq
- 19-Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
- 20-Republic of Kazakhstan
- 21-State of Kuwait
- 22-Kyrgyz Republic
- 23-Republic of Lebanon
- 24-Libya
- 25-Malaysia
- 26-Republic of Mali
- 27-Islamic Republic of Mauritania

- 28-Kingdom of Morocco
- 29-Republic of Mozambique
- 30-Republic of Niger
- 31-Federal Republic of Nigeria
- 32-Sultanate of Oman
- 33-Islamic Republic of Pakistan
- 34-State of Palestine
- 35-State of Qatar
- 36-Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- 37-Republic of Senegal
- 38-Republic of Sierra Leone
- 39-Republic of Sudan
- 40-Republic of Suriname
- 41-Republic of Tunisia
- 42-Republic of Turkey
- 43-Republic of Turkmenistan
- 44-Republic of Uganda
- 45-State of the United Arab Emirates
- 46-Republic of Uzbekistan
- 47-Republic of Yemen

3. Bosnia-Herzegovina, Central African Republic, Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, Kingdom of Thailand and the Russian Federation participated in the Session as observers.

4. The OIC General Secretariat and the following subsidiary, specialized and affiliated OIC institutions attended the Session:

- 1- Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Center for Islamic Countries (SESRIC)
- 2- Islamic Center for the Development of Trade (ICDT)
- 3- Islamic Research Center for Islamic History, Art and Culture (IRCICA)
- 4- Standards and Metrology Institute of Islamic Countries (SMIIC)
- 5- Islamic Development Bank (IDB) Group
- 6- Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA)
- 7- Islamic University of Technology (IUT)
- 8- Organization of the Islamic Shipowners Association (OISA)
- 9- Association of National Development Financing Institutions (ADFIMI)
- 10- Federation of Contractors from Islamic Countries (FOCIC)

5. Representatives of the following international organizations attended the Session as well:

- 1- International Trade Centre (ITC)
- 2- Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- 3- Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO)
- 4- Economic Cooperation Organization Trade and Development Bank (ECOBANK)

(A copy of the List of Participants of the Twenty-Ninth Session of the COMCEC is attached as Annex 1.)

6. The Meeting of the Senior Officials of the COMCEC that preceded the Ministerial Session was held on the 18th and 19th of November 2013 under the Chairmanship of H.E. Ahmet YAMAN, Deputy Undersecretary of the Ministry of Development of the Republic of Turkey. The Senior Officials deliberated on the agenda items and prepared the Draft Resolutions for consideration by the Ministerial Session.

Opening Session

7. The Opening Ceremony of the Twenty-Ninth Session of the COMCEC was held on November 20th, 2013 under the Chairmanship of H.E. Abdullah GÜL, President of the Republic of Turkey and the Chairman of the COMCEC.

8. Welcoming the delegates, H.E. GÜL emphasized the importance of increasing the capital mobility among the COMCEC Member Countries. Providing some statistical data, H.E. GÜL stated the necessity of increasing capital mobility among member countries as well as taking steps to accelerate capital flows from other global players. In this regard, H.E. GÜL expressed that it is extremely pertinent to entitle the theme of the 29th Session of the COMCEC as "Increasing Foreign Direct Investment Flows to the OIC Member Countries."

9. H.E. GÜL continued his statement by expressing that the steps taken to implement the COMCEC Strategy were welcomed and closely followed up by himself. H. E. stressed that the new Strategy is based on principles which are mainly followed in all successful integration models: namely, Enhancing Mobility, Strengthening Solidarity and Improving Governance. H.E. GÜL thanked all member countries for their active participation in the Working Groups and the process of project submission within the framework of the COMCEC PCM.

10. H.E. GÜL touched upon some major projects and endeavors under the COMCEC agenda, namely Trade Preferential System, Standards and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries (SMIIC), S&P OIC/COMCEC-Shariah-50 Index, OIC/COMCEC Private Sector Tourism Forum and expressed his satisfaction with the progress achieved in these fields.

(A copy of the text of the Inaugural Statement of H.E. Abdullah GÜL is attached as Annex 2.)

11. Following the Inaugural Statement made by H.E. GÜL, H.E. Prof. Dr. Ekmeleddin İHSANOĞLU, Secretary General of the OIC, made a statement at the Opening Session.

12. In his speech, H.E. Prof. Ekmeleddin İHSANOĞLU, the Secretary General of the OIC emphasized the importance of the COMCEC as a platform for enhancing economic and commercial cooperation among the Member Countries. He maintained that COMCEC plays a unique role in creating necessary specialized forums for coordination and cooperation on various thematic issues. He stated that the OIC Member States Stock Exchanges Forum, COMCEC Capital Market Regulatory Forum and the OIC/COMCEC Private Sector Tourism Forum have paved the way for effective collaboration among the member states.

(A copy of the address of H.E Prof. Dr. Ekmeleddin İHSANOĞLU is attached as Annex 3.)

13. The Heads of Delegations of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of Niger and the Islamic Republic of Iran made statements on behalf of the Arab, African, and Asian regional groups, respectively. They expressed their thanks and appreciation to the Republic of Turkey for the warm hospitality and excellent organization of the Meeting. They also exalted the wise guidance and leadership of H.E. Abdullah GÜL in enhancing economic and commercial cooperation among the OIC Member States.

14. The Heads of Delegations stated their support to the cooperation efforts under the COMCEC.

15. H.E. Dr. Ahmed Mohammed ALI, President of the Islamic Development Bank (IDB), also delivered a statement at the Opening Session. H.E. Dr. ALI expressed his pleasure that implementation of the COMCEC Strategy has started. He stressed that the Working Group mechanism coupled with the Project Finance mechanism under the

COMCEC Strategy are the practical and effective way of identifying and overcoming the barriers to a greater economic cooperation among our member counties.

(The text of the Statement of the IDB President is attached as Annex 4.)

16. Following the Opening Ceremony, H.E. Abdullah GÜL received the Heads of Delegations.

Ministerial Working Session

17. The Ministerial Working Session of the Twenty-Ninth Session of the COMCEC was held on November 20th, 2013 under the Chairmanship of H.E. Dr. Cevdet YILMAZ, the Minister of Development of the Republic of Turkey.

18. The Session adopted the Draft Agenda of the Twenty-Ninth Session of the COMCEC.

19. Following the adoption of the agenda, H.E. Ahmet YAMAN, Deputy Undersecretary of the Ministry of Development of the Republic of Turkey, in his capacity as the Chairman of the Senior Officials Meeting, briefed the Session on the outcomes of the Senior Officials Meeting as well as the recommendations of the Preparatory Workshop on “Increasing FDI Flows to the OIC Member Countries” held from September 30th - October 1st, 2013 in Ankara, Turkey.

20. Following the presentation of H.E. YAMAN, the Exchange of Views Session of the 29th Session of the COMCEC was held with the theme of “Increasing FDI Flows to the OIC Member Countries.”

21. Mr. Khalil HAMDANI, Former Director of the Division on Investment, Technology and Enterprise of UNCTAD made a presentation on “Foreign Direct Investments: attract more to benefit more” as the keynote speaker.

22. Following the presentation, the Ministers discussed various aspects of the subject, shared their country experiences and elaborated on how to increase FDI flows to the Member Countries and to enhance cooperation in this area under the COMCEC.

Sideline Events

23. The 23rd Meeting of the Sessional Committee was held on November 17th, 2013 as a sideline event with the participation of the relevant OIC Institutions.

(A copy of the report of the 23rd Meeting of the Sessional Committee is attached as Annex 5.)

24. The Panel on the “Implementation of the COMCEC Strategy: The Working Groups and the COMCEC Project Funding” was held on November 19th, 2013. During the Panel, experts from the COMCEC Coordination Office made presentations on the COMCEC Working Groups and the PCM. The participants were informed in detail regarding the initial outcomes of the Working Group Meetings and the first project call under the COMCEC PCM.

Closing Session:

25. The Closing Session of the Twenty-Ninth Session of the COMCEC was held on November 21st, 2013 under the Chairmanship of H.E. Dr. Cevdet YILMAZ, Minister of Development of the Republic of Turkey.

26. Dr. Yousaf JUNAID, Counselor General of Pakistan in İstanbul and Rapporteur of the Senior Officials Meeting, summarized the proceedings of the Senior Officials Meeting and highlighted some salient points in the Resolutions.

27. The Session adopted Resolution OIC/COMCEC/29-13/RES.

28. H.E. Hameed A. OPELOYERU, Assistant Secretary General for Economic Affairs read out the message of H.E. Prof. Dr. Ekmeleddin İHSANOĞLU, Secretary General of the OIC. In his message H.E. İHSANOĞLU expressed deep appreciation to H.E. Abdullah GÜL, President of the Republic of Turkey and the Chairman of the COMCEC for his guidance to the cooperation efforts under the COMCEC and thanked all the participants for their sincere efforts for the successful conclusion of the Meeting.

29. H.E. Osman Omer Ali EL-SHARIF, Minister of Trade of the Republic of Sudan made a statement on behalf of all participating Member Countries. H.E. EL-SHARIF thanked H.E. Abdullah GÜL, President of the Republic of Turkey, for his wise leadership as Chairman of the COMCEC. H.E. EL-SHARIF also thanked to the People and Government of the Republic of Turkey for the warm welcome and excellent hospitality and arrangements made for the meeting.

30. H.E. Dr. Cevdet YILMAZ, Minister of Development of the Republic of Turkey, made a closing statement at the Session. H.E. YILMAZ expressed his satisfaction with the successful conclusion of the 29th Session of the COMCEC. Sharing some figures on the global economy, H.E. YILMAZ underscored the need to immediately take steps to enhance the welfare of the Islamic Ummah through enhancing cooperation among the Member Countries.

31. H.E. YILMAZ stated that the COMCEC Strategy, which provides a new and realistic vision for cooperation among the Member States, has become operational. H.E. YILMAZ underlined that the Strategy with its Working Group Mechanism have paved the way for a significant opportunity for technical cooperation at the expert level. H.E. YILMAZ also stressed the importance of the Project Cycle Management in realizing the cooperation efforts and called upon the Member Countries to benefit from these instruments of the COMCEC Strategy.

32. H.E. YILMAZ concluded his statement by thanking all delegates, OIC Institutions, COMCEC Coordination Office, translators and interpreters and all other contributors and extended his wish that the deliberations, exchange of views and resolutions of the 29th Session of the COMCEC would yield fruitful results for the Islamic World

(The text of the Closing Statement of H.E. Dr. Cevdet YILMAZ is attached as Annex 6.)

33. All documents and presentations related to the 29th Session of COMCEC will be available on COMCEC web site (www.comcec.org).

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AND CHAIRMAN OF COMCEC,
AT THE OPENING SESSION OF THE 29TH SESSION OF COMCEC
(İstanbul, 20 November 2013)**

Honorable Secretary-General,
Honorable Ministers,
Your Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

I would like to express our pleasure to host the honorable representatives of brotherly Nations in our country on the occasion of the 29th Session of the COMCEC. I would like to welcome you all in İstanbul.

Making major contributions to the reinforcement of solidarity, brotherhood and cooperation among member countries since its establishment, the COMCEC continues to fulfil its function in today's world as well. I hold the belief that your deliberations will broaden new horizons to further our cooperation.

Distinguished Guests,

The world undergoes a difficult time of political and economic turmoils. The Islamic world is influenced by such difficulties to a great extent.

On one hand, we encounter challenges such as stagnation, unemployment and poverty caused by the global economic crisis. A crisis gives rise to a larger gap between the poor and the rich. We have to cope with its social impacts.

On the other hand, a part of the Islamic world is in turmoil and we face saddening images each and every day.

As I stated during the OIC Session held in Tehran in 2003, the persistent shortcomings for good governance, justice and freedom put an end to some regimes in the Islamic world and causes some others to break apart. Internal conflicts and disputes continue to take place in a part of our brotherly countries.

This civil war in the neighbouring country of Syria has now turned into the self-destruction of a nation. The civil war which has been ongoing approximately for the past three years, has claimed more than one hundred thousand lives. Millions of people left their homes and relatives, and migrated to neighbouring countries.

We have been observing all these occurrences in sorrow and with our hearts wrenching. Generations which are raised in anger and conflict, have already become a party to potential conflicts in the future and a part of this vicious cycle.

This lays more responsibility on member countries to find a solution for such problems. Unless we seek and find a solution for our own problems, some others will impose their own upon us. It is our responsibility to put our home in order. It is primarily our duty to put out fire whether it occurs in our home or in a neighbour's. Otherwise, the cost will be massive for all of us.

Therefore, I call upon all member countries to increase their efforts with a view to finding 'our own solutions' to 'our own problems'.

Persistence of problems make it difficult for us to properly make use of our natural and human resources which are of major importance in terms of the development of the Islamic world. The ongoing instability and uncertainty constitute fundamental barriers to our economic and commercial development.

We need to seek a solution for such problems in cooperation and solidarity at a time when globalization has reached further dimensions.

Distinguished Guests,

I hold the belief that the COMCEC which I have been chairing has gained even more importance under such circumstances.

Without doubt the COMCEC is the right platform to develop instruments serving to overcome economic and social challenges which we have encountered in recent years.

We cannot afford to restrict our related endeavours to public institutions alone. We have to incorporate the private sector to solution prescriptions at a time when the capital knows no boundaries. The key sustainable to development and progress is to increase direct investments.

I find it extremely pertinent to entitle the theme of this Session of the COMCEC as "Increasing Foreign Direct Investment Flows to the OIC Member Countries".

The COMCEC member countries which are dispersed over a large geographical region, have varied capital accumulation, savings and investment requirements.

Many rich Islamic countries have recorded a considerable trade surplus. Capital accumulation is substantially high in such countries. In this framework, it is pleasing that the current account surplus of the OIC economies which was 101 billion USD in 2009, increased to 350 billion USD in 2012.

However, not every country is privileged with such figures. On the other side of the picture there are Muslim countries with young and dynamic population which are in search of production and employment.

Primary work to be done is increasing the capital mobility among the COMCEC Countries. In other words, it is imperative to mobilize financier and those in need of the capital for new businesses, production and investments.

I would like dwell upon some statistical data to express why we need to intensify our efforts in this respect.

COMCEC Countries are currently able to attract only 10 % of the Foreign Direct Investments (FDI) around the world. This rate amounts to 42 % in developed countries.

In addition, 71 % of the foreign direct investments in the COMCEC countries are focused in only 10 countries.

In this respect, we have to not only increase capital mobility among member countries but also take steps to accelerate capital flows from other global players.

Countries whose own savings are not sufficient for development are obliged to respond to the need for creating favourable conditions to attract foreign capital to their countries.

The key is comprehensive structural reforms which will ensure political stability and public order. It is essential to establish legal infrastructure in a manner that attracts capital.

The reason is quite simple. No country or investment company would rush into any investment in a country without considering. Trust is a matter which financiers pay utmost attention to before they take a decision for investment. The key to trust is political stability, legal guarantees, predictability and transparency.

We have to steadfastly implement structural reforms no matter what their short-term burdens can be if we are in search of technology transfer, employment, growth, development and welfare for our countries and people.

Distinguished Delegates,

Established with a view to developing economic and commercial cooperation and aiming at further integration of our countries with the global economic system, the COMCEC constantly promotes the exchange of knowledge, experience and best practices among member countries.

In an effort to operationalize this platform further, we adopted the new COMCEC Strategy during the 4th Extraordinary Islamic Summit held last year in Makkah-Al-Mukarramah. I welcome and closely follow up the steps taken to implement the Strategy.

The new Strategy is based on principles which are mainly followed in all successful integrations models.

In this framework, it is envisaged to take steps towards the free movement of goods, opinions, capital and people as well as enhancing solidarity and good governance.

Our such endeavours can be summarized under six main titles: Trade, transport and communications, agriculture, tourism, poverty alleviation and financial cooperation.

I would like to avail myself of this opportunity to thank all member countries for their active participation in the Working Groups and the process of project proposals as well as for their successful efforts.

Distinguished Guests,

In this part of my address, I would like to touch upon some major projects and endeavours on the COMCEC agenda to which I believe you will not spare your valuable contributions.

I would like to particularly draw your attention to the Trade Preferential System which is an impetus for our cooperation. I would like to take this occasion to reiterate our call to take necessary steps to implement the Trade Preferential System as soon as possible.

In addition, I would like to remind you that we expect all member countries to make their valuable contributions to the Standards and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries abbreviated as SMIIC in an effort to complete its institutionalization efforts.

Standardization is of major importance in terms of trade liberalization and the removal of non-tariff barriers. SMIIC will continue its endeavours thanks to your valuable contributions and make substantial contributions to the development of trade in the Islamic world.

Some promising steps have been recently taken within the body of the COMCEC in the field of financial cooperation.

OIC Member States' Stock Exchanges Forum, COMCEC Capital Markets' Regulators Forum and OIC Central Banks and Monetary Authorities Meetings play a vital role in this framework.

I hold the belief that S&P OIC/COMCEC-Shariah-50 Index which was developed within the body of the Stock Exchanges Forum, will make major contributions to the enhancement of capital flows among our brotherly countries.

Likewise I believe that the Financial Cooperation Working Group which will hold its first meeting on December 12, will enable us to deepen our cooperation in this domain.

I also attach importance to the endeavours of the COMCEC Private Sector Tourism Forum which makes effort in another field of cooperation.

I would like to take this occasion to dwell upon a matter that shocks the conscience of humanity. COMCEC Countries enjoy a large geographical region and rich natural resources. However, 21 of our member countries are among the Least Developed Countries. Problems such as waste and resource management, lead to a poverty-driven social costs.

Therefore, I expect you to lend your utmost support to the endeavours of the Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD), Special Programme for the

Development of Africa (SPDA) and OIC Vocational Education and Training Programme (OIC-VET).

Honorable Ministers,
Distinguished Delegates,

I find it beneficial to touch upon some issues which are likely to be indirectly influential over the future and the economic performance of the Islamic world.

First of all, the Islamophobia remains as a critical problem which instigates unsubstantial prejudices against our Glorious Religion and Muslims.

Beside intentional defamation propaganda, some ill-disposed persons and circles abusing our sacred Islamic values and conducting acts of violence and terror play a role in the persistence of such problems.

We have to combat any form of deviation playing into the hands of people who equates terrorism with Islam, the religion of love, tolerance and conciliation.

Our holy religion Islam considers murdering one as murdering all. We definitely need to keep this in mind and heart: "Islam leaves no room for terrorism".

We cannot afford to ignore the fact that the lack of education and spirituality, poverty and income injustice feed such movements and we need to steadfastly address such problems.

Another important matter which will enable us to win over hearts and minds for the combat against Islamophobia is to display Islamic morality in our economic activities.

Conducting our business in the best and proper manner while producing, purchasing and selling will definitely contribute to the elimination of negative perceptions about Muslims.

Within this framework, making new inventions and developing new instruments to enhance global welfare in areas such as medicine, industry, service sector and finance, will have a highly positive effect as well.

Another matter which I believe relates to the future of the Islamic world is the exertion of efforts to find a solution for global problems. Playing a more active role in the solution of global problems such as climate change, poverty, fight against

organized crime, immigration, radicalism, narcotics and human trafficking will certainly introduce new economic and commercial opportunities for Islamic countries.

Thirdly, I would like to draw attention to the upbringing of the youth, who are the custodians of our future.

In all corners of the world, youth is the fastest segment of the society that keeps up with head-spinning developments in technology.

We need to be attentive to the consolidation of our own values when we prepare our youth for the competitive climate of today's world. In this context, we are in need of multi-dimensional economic, social and cultural programmes.

We cannot raise the youth as passive followers of global developments and trends. We need to raise generations who are instilled with ideals and values of their homeland; who are in search of innovation and who are not only consumers but also researchers, producers and inventors.

I would like to reiterate the importance of establishing a common understanding and stance in all domains among our Member Countries.

Distinguished Guests,

As I conclude my address, I would like to reiterate our pleasure to host you in Turkey; I hope that your deliberations will yield fruitful results and I wish you success in your endeavours.

ANNEX

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Original: English

**SPEECH OF H.E. PROF. EKMELEDDİN İHSANOĞLU,
SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION
OF THE ISLAMIC COOPERATION (OIC),
AT THE OPENING SESSION
(İstanbul, 20 November 2013)**

*In the Name of Allah, the Most Compassionate,
the Most Merciful*

Your Excellency, President Abdullah GUL, President of the Republic of Turkey and
Chairman of COMCEC,
Your Excellencies, Ministers and Heads of Delegation,
Honourable Delegates
Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen

Permit me to express my utmost delight to participate at this 29th Session of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation of the OIC (COMCEC). I also extend my sincere gratitude to His Excellency, Abdullah Gul, President of the Republic of Turkey and Chairman of COMCEC; and the entire Government of the Republic of Turkey for the consistent support, which has always been given in respect of the activities of COMCEC over the years, and particularly for the excellent arrangements made for this meeting. I am particularly gratified by far reaching measures and initiatives, which set the pace for the widely acknowledged achievements of the OIC in advancing socio-economic development of its member states. I recall with admiration the great momentum generated by the COMCEC Economic Summit which was held in 2009 and which remains the nucleus of these achievements.

It is thanks to this support from the chairman of the COMCEC as well as the wider cooperation which the General Secretariat enjoys from the entire membership of the OIC, that our organization has become a global actor for promoting peace, sustainable development and security. In this connection, I am glad to inform this august gathering that the first-ever meeting of the UN Security Council to consider the question of strengthening the partnership synergy with OIC was held on 28 October 2013. During this meeting the Security Council reacted positively to the general thrust of my proposals on the need for far-reaching partnership with UN agencies in different sectors. Besides some major political issues, the on-going process between the OIC General Secretariat and United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC), concerning the development of a project for capacity building in the area of education, healthcare and sustainable livelihood in Somalia are also mentioned.

Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,

Since the creation of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation in September 1969, some forty-four years ago, considerable efforts had been expended by OIC leaders to strengthen the bonds of unity and solidarity among the peoples of our esteemed Member States. Consequently, various OIC organs were established to give effect to the lofty ideals expressed in the OIC Charter and other relevant resolutions. These organs assisted the entire OIC in formulating and implementing relevant programmes and projects, aimed at realising the collective vision and mission of our Organisation as well as the yearnings of our peoples for socio-economic development and increased welfare.

I am glad to note, therefore, that COMCEC, which took off effectively in 1984, has ever since become a household name among OIC member-states as well as private and public institutions, including our international partners. The Organisation is now considered, within the global sphere, as a credible actor for promoting socio-economic development and contributing to international peace and security. In this regard, the record, which COMCEC has created by the very fact that it has continued to facilitate constant review and follow-up of our economic and commercial activities through these annual Ministerial meetings, is both unique and unprecedented. This impressive record has come about, thanks to the unflinching support by the successive Presidents and Prime Ministers of the Republic of Turkey, which hold the chairmanship of this outstanding OIC organ.

There is no doubt that the platform offered by COMCEC facilitated the negotiation of the Plan of Action to Strengthen Economic and Commercial Cooperation in 1984, which made possible the enormous activities accomplished by the OIC in the area of economic cooperation. COMCEC Strategy adopted by the 4th Extraordinary Summit held in Makkah Al Mukarramah in 2012 allowed them to have a broader vision and a more implementable framework that has introduced a pragmatic approach.

I am also glad to announce that the coming to effect of the OIC Ten Year Programme of Action in 2005 has perfected this approach, through target-setting, benchmarking and effective resource mobilization. The foregoing approach has led to the target set for intra-OIC trade; the creation of dedicated funds for poverty alleviation activities; and the establishment of joint projects and action plans on development of strategic commodities, transport and tourism infrastructure as well as mainstreaming the role of the Private Sector.

Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,

It is on record that the unique role of COMCEC facilitated the successful take-off of OIC flag-ship trade facilitation mechanism, which is the Framework Agreement on Trade Preferential System among Member States of the OIC (TPS-OIC), the PRETAS and the Rule of Origin respectively. However, there was the realisation that a strong diplomatic demarche was required to secure necessary ratifications for the take-off of this project. This is because only 28 member states had signed the Framework Agreement, with only 14 ratifications, prior to the implementation of the OIC Ten Year Programme of Action in 2005. Consequently, my demarches and intercessions with senior OIC officials, secured a total number of 76 signatures and 45 ratifications for these three instruments, thereby enabling the entry into force of these instruments.

COMCEC role was also unique in creating necessary specialized forums for coordination and cooperation on various thematic issues. The establishment of OIC Member States Stock Exchanges Forum in 2005, COMCEC Capital Market Regulatory Forum in 2011, and OIC/COMCEC Private Sector Tourism Forum in 2011 has paved the way for effective collaboration among our member states. Consequently, these efforts resulted in the recent launch of OIC/COMCEC S&P index, which has mainstreamed Islamic financial products at the global scene.

The second aspect of the paradigm shift is the priority accorded to funding and resource mobilisation in the scheme of affairs. This is in view of the fact that the bane of our joint developmental action has been traced to inadequate funding of OIC joint projects. Accordingly, the creation of a dedicated funding mechanism for trade financing through the establishment of three subsidiary funding institutions of IDB has contributed to the efforts at achieving the target of 20% of intra-OIC trade as set by the Ten Year Programme of Action. It is heart-warming that the cumulative interventions of these institutions have reached US\$44 billion by 2012. This has contributed considerably to the giant leap in the volume of intra-OIC trade which stood at 18.21% in 2012, up from 14.5% in 2004. In monetary terms, the latter translates to an increase of intra-OIC trade from US\$205 billion in 2004 to US\$742 billion in 2012.

Another important strategy of the OIC towards the effective implementation of the Ten Year Programme of Action was the adoption of a multi-stakeholders' approach through regionalism and cooperation with regional and international organisations. The successful implementation of the Special Programme for the Development of Africa (SPDA) remains a success story on the partnership funding model adopted by the OIC. This funding window of a total amount of US\$12 billion has facilitated the execution of the various projects in the area of agriculture and food

security, education health and sanitation, as well energy and transportation in most African OIC member states. The other programme in this domain is the OIC Plan of Action for Central Asia, which is aimed at mobilising the support of the entire membership of the OIC for development in Central Asian OIC member states in eight strategic sectors.

If the above South-South cooperation approach has increased the effectiveness of OIC interventions for socio-economic development of our member states, the progressive embrace of triangular cooperation has brought about active interaction with traditional international donors. In addition to the successful completion of SPDA, which secured a total amount of US\$ 7 billion of partnership funding from non-OIC sources, the recent collaboration between OIC and United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) has brighter prospects in our efforts to scale-up resource mobilization for OIC projects. Already the OIC and UNOSSC are working on a special project for Somalia, while exploring opportunities for technological transfer on key OIC projects, including the OIC Cotton Action Plan, Dakar-Port Sudan Railway Project, and Regional Project on Protected Areas and Cross-border Parks in West Africa, among others.

Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,

From the foregoing general outlook of our cooperation in the economic domain, it is apparent that we have recorded significant milestones in our efforts to mobilize the much-needed resources for the implementation of our projects in various sectors. Considering the fact that this meeting happens to be the last COMCEC Ministerial meeting that I would be attending in my official capacity as the Secretary General of the OIC, permit me to draw your kind attention to the following issues as we strive to consolidate on the gains we have made so far in this domain.

Firstly, in spite of the entry into force of our trade preferential instruments, the take-off of the mechanism requires greater political will from our decision-makers so that we can take advantage of 1.6 billion strong OIC market for increased growth and development of our economies.

Secondly, there is need for greater ownership of OIC projects on the part of our member states. It is essential that cross-border projects can only be successfully executed if they are integrated in the respective national priorities of our member states.

Thirdly, in order to enhance the South-South cooperation platform, which the OIC represents, our decision-makers would also need to pay further attention to fulfilling their pledges to the existing poverty alleviation funds of the OIC, while

making new commitments to realize their target capitals. This is important since such intra-OIC funding architecture is aimed at making-up for the ever dwindling Official Development Assistance (ODA) from external sources.

Last, but not the least, the need to increase the role of the Private Sector is crucial to most of our elaborated projects and programmes. I, therefore, avail myself of this opportunity to urge our member states as well as the relevant OIC executive organs to devise a more proactive means of involving our Private Sector establishments in our diverse projects, especially in the domain of trade, tourism, and agro-industries.

Mr. Chairman,
Your Excellencies
Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen,

Finally, as I take leave of you all, let me at this important Forum express my sincere appreciation to H.E. President Abdullah Gul, the Government and people of my dear country for the support extended to me throughout my tenure in the OIC. As a person associated in different capacities with COMCEC activities since early 1980s and particularly during my nine years as the Secretary General of this Organization, I do strongly believe that COMCEC has remained the most successful and the most effective organ of the OIC, thanks to Your Excellency's commitment, dedication and leadership. I, therefore, have no hesitation in my mind that when the history of the contributions of the COMCEC would be written by incoming generation, the role of Your Excellency will given its due pre-eminent position without any iota of doubt.

Similarly, let me thank my dear brothers, Heads of Delegation to COMCEC for their continuous unremitting fraternal collaboration and for facilitating my official tasks over the years. I should not end this address without commending the team-spirit and camaraderie exhibited by our colleagues in the various OIC institutions, such that have made possible the achievements, which we realized in the course of promoting the overall objectives of the Muslim Ummah.

I thank you for your kind attention.

Wassalamu Alaykum wa-Rahmatullah wa-Barakatuh

ANNEX

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Original : Arabic

**ADDRESS BY H.E. DR. AHMAD MOHAMED ALI,
PRESIDENT OF THE ISLAMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK (IDB GROUP),
(İstanbul, 20 November 2013)**

Your Excellency, Abdullah Gül, President of the Republic of Turkey and Chairman of COMCEC

Your Excellency, Dr. Cevdet Yilmaz, Minister of Development of the Republic of Turkey

Honorable Ministers,

Your Excellency, Professor Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu, Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation

Members of the Diplomatic Corps and Representatives of International and Regional Organizations,

Distinguished Delegates ,

Brothers and Sisters,

Assalamu alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuhu.

It is indeed a great honour and delight for me to address today this august gathering and to express, on behalf of your institution, the IDB Group sincere gratitude to the Chairman of COMCEC, His Excellency President Abdullah Gül, and to the government and people of the Republic of Turkey for the warm welcome and generous hospitality we have received since our arrival in Turkey.

I would also like to express deep appreciation for His Excellency President Abdullah Gül's unwavering commitment to promoting economic and commercial cooperation among our countries and to strengthening COMCEC's effective role therein. The proposals and directives contained in His Excellency's keynote address reflect the importance he gives to solidarity and economic cooperation among OIC member countries.

I would like to extend special greetings to Prof. Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu on the occasion of the end of his tour of duty as Secretary General of the OIC. May Allah reward him for his accomplishments in the interest of joint Islamic action at a time fraught with challenges.

I would like to applaud the Government of the Republic of Turkey for its laudable efforts to promote economic development in member countries, especially in those going through difficult times such as Somalia and Palestine and for the international conferences it organizes on knowledge promotion as well as economic and financial coordination among our countries; a case in point is the conference on “International Forum for Financial Systems” held on 11-12 September 2013 in Istanbul under the high patronage of H.E. President Abdullah Gül.

I am delighted to note that the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy has started full swing and that the COMCEC Secretariat has started holding meetings of the Working Groups, one of the major instruments of the COMCEC Strategy, as fervently and regularly as COMCEC meetings.

Your Excellency,

Our current meeting is taking place few days ahead of the 9th Meeting of the World Trade Organization (WTO) from 3 to 6 December in Bali, Indonesia. Agriculture, Trade Facilitation and the Special Treatment Rules under the WTO agreements will be one the major issues that will affect our member countries. As a result, the IDB has once again invited delegates of our member countries attending the conference to a consultative meeting in Bali on 2 December 2013 to brainstorm on the conference’s agenda and to have the delegates coordinate their positions on WTO issues. I therefore entreat you to grace with your presence the Bali meeting on 2 December.

Your Excellency,

Allow me to dwell on the IDB Group’s efforts to promote intra-trade. The International Islamic Trade Finance Corporation (ITFC)’s financing volume was close to USD 5 billion in 1434H i.e. its financing has doubled over the past five years.

The Islamic Corporation for the Insurance of Investment and Export Credit (ICIEC) provides member countries with export facilities that exceed annually USD 3 billion. At this juncture, I would like to call on all member countries to make greater efforts to achieve the OIC intra-trade target by 2015 as directed by the Extraordinary Islamic Summit held in Makkah in 2005.

I would like to call on COMCEC and the Intra-Trade Consultative Group to consider setting objectives for the next decade ahead of the next Islamic Summit in 2016 in Turkey. The Aid for Trade Initiative for Arab Countries launched and steered by the ITFC can be employed to achieve our aspiration for close cooperation by 2025.

Your Excellency,

I would like to commend the topicality of the issue tabled for discussion at the brainstorming session scheduled to take place this afternoon. Issues pertaining to direct investment flow to our member countries are worth pondering over given the recently considerable decline in investments, especially the concomitance of the decline with the drop in international development aid for education, health, water and electricity.

The good thing about such a sad situation is the new prospects that emerge for Islamic finance, which is closely linked to the real economy and the win-win principle at a time our member countries are experiencing economic recovery and growth. It augurs well that the brainstorming session coincides with the resoundingly successful initiatives that Turkey has taken to make Istanbul a center of Islamic banking and Sukuk issuance.

As part of the IDB's efforts to boost foreign direct aid in the Arab Transition Countries, the IDB and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) participated in the Deauville Partnership's investment conference hosted by the British Government in London on 16 September. The purpose of the conference was to promote interaction between Arab Transition Countries and investors and to highlight the foreign direct investment opportunities that the countries in question can offer. In connection with arrangements for the conference, the IDB sponsored in June 2013, in collaboration with the United Kingdom, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and other international financial institutions two investment conferences in Tunisia and Egypt. It is bracing itself for two other conferences in Morocco and Jordan and plans to organize in the not too long distant future two other conferences in Yemen and Libya.

It is worth noting that the IDB Group has allocated since 2011 USD 5.8 billion for the Arab countries concerned to implement programs designed to support small and medium size enterprises and to create youth employment opportunities.

Your Excellency,

COMCEC is approaching its 30th anniversary and your institution, the IDB its 40th. We thank Allah for 30 years of tremendous accomplishments and applaud COMCEC for its close cooperation and unflinching support. Hardly does the IDB Group establish an institution or launch a program without COMCEC's blessing. ICIEC saw the light of day and grew up on the caring lap of COMCEC.

Global and regional developments taking place around us require that we assess our performance over the past decade and draw lessons therefrom as objectively as possible. I therefore propose that COMCEC and all other OIC economic institutions hearken to our member countries, beneficiaries and partners over the coming months for their feedback. We would therefore review our strategies, plans and programs based on the feedback.

In connection with such an assessment, I am delighted to invite COMCEC's Coordinator to Jeddah in December for consultation on how COMCEC assesses the past decade and how it thinks it can spearhead capacity building efforts in member countries in line with all-embracing policies, mechanisms and socio-economic initiatives that would ensure steady economic growth, human dignity and poverty alleviation. The Ummah is expecting nothing more nor less under the current circumstances and we cannot but respond positively.

Finally, I would like to thank all member countries, particularly the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the IDB's host country, for its unwavering support for the IDB Group over the years.

I wish the 29th session of COMCEC successful deliberations that would come up with decisions to foster closer links among OIC member countries under COMCEC's new strategy.

Wassalamu alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuhu.

ANNEX

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Original: English

**REPORT OF THE 23rd MEETING OF THE SESSIONAL COMMITTEE
(İstanbul, 17 November 2013)**

1. The 23rd Meeting of the Sessional Committee of the COMCEC was held on November 17th, 2013 in Istanbul, on the sideline of the 29th Session of the Meeting of the COMCEC.

2. The Meeting was chaired by Mr. M. Metin EKER, Director General of the COMCEC Coordination Office. In addition to the OIC General Secretariat and the COMCEC Coordination Office, the following OIC Institutions attended the Meeting:

- Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Center for Islamic Countries (SESRIC)
- Islamic Center for the Development of Trade (ICDT)
- Islamic Development Bank (IDB) Group
- Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture (ICCIA)
- Standards and Metrology Institute of Islamic Countries (SMIIC)
- Organization of the Islamic Shipowners Association (OISA)

3. The Meeting agreed on the following agenda items:

- i. Implementation of the COMCEC Strategy
 - COMCEC Project Funding
 - Contributions of the OIC Institutions to the Implementation of the COMCEC Strategy
- ii. Enhancing Cooperation and Coordination Among the OIC Institutions
 - Conducting Joint Activities/ Modular Programs
 - Raising Awareness of the OIC Institutions' Activities
- iii. Any Other Business

Implementation of the COMCEC Strategy

4. Under the first agenda item, the representatives of the OIC Institutions, having proposed projects, made their observations regarding their experiences during the project submission process within the framework of the first project call of the COMCEC Project Funding. The OIC Institutions, which have not submitted projects

during this period, have also expressed their interest to benefit from the COMCEC Project Funding in the next project call to be made in 2014.

5. Regarding the contributions of the OIC Institutions to the implementation of the COMCEC Strategy, it was highlighted that the endeavors of the OIC Institutions would have particular importance for the realization of the objectives of the COMCEC Strategy. In this regard, the Committee welcomed the active involvement of the relevant OIC Institutions in the cooperation exertions under the Working Groups and the COMCEC PCM. Furthermore, highlighting the significance of the contributions of the OIC Institutions to the realization of the COMCEC Strategy, the Committee welcomed the formation of the list of activities of the relevant OIC Institutions aligned with the COMCEC Strategy, which are mainly capacity building and training programs, workshops and seminars. The Committee also noted that the type of activities placed on the list can be diversified by designing research activities which would contribute to the efforts of the Working Groups.

(The list of activities of the OIC Institutions aligned with the COMCEC Strategy is attached as Annex I. The aforementioned list as well as the general list of activities of the OIC Institutions are available on the COMCEC website.)

Enhancing Cooperation and Coordination Among the OIC Institutions

6. Regarding enhancing cooperation and coordination among the OIC Institutions, the Committee emphasized the importance of joint activities and modular programs to be organized by the OIC Institutions. In this regard, the Committee took note of the Preparatory Workshop on the theme of Exchange of Views Session organized by the COMCEC Coordination Office, SESRIC and IDB Group as a sample joint activity. The Committee underlined the need for increasing the number of activities which would include two or more OIC Institutions.

7. The Committee also elaborated on raising awareness of the OIC Institutions' activities. In this respect, it was noted that roadshows can be organized in various parts of the OIC region where the activities of the OIC Institutions have rarely been held. In addition, high level OIC Meetings, such as Summits, Council of Foreign Ministers, COMCEC Meetings and sectoral Ministerial Meetings, can be utilized for this purpose. The Committee requested the OIC General Secretariat to study the ground for organizing "roadshows" in the Member States and the on the sideline of high level OIC Meetings.

Any Other Business

8. Under this agenda item, the Committee considered how to enhance the participation of the Member States in the activities of the OIC Institutions and noted that the theme, timing, venue, hosting conditions and visa issues are the prominent factors affecting their participation.
9. The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

Annex 1: LIST OF ACTIVITIES
TO BE ORGANIZED BY THE OIC INSTITUTIONS ALIGNED WITH THE COMCEC STRATEGY
(2013- 2014)

No	Host Institution	Theme of the Activity	Type of the Activity	Relevant Cooperation Area	Partners	Date	Venue
1	SESRIC	International Integrated Water Management Symposium	Workshop	Agriculture	Ministry of Forestry and Water Affairs of Turkey, Environment Ministries OIC Member Countries	December 2013	Turkey
2	SESRIC	International Rural Development Conference	Workshop, Conference	Agriculture	Agriculture and Rural Development Support Agency, Turkey	To be decided	Turkey
3	SESRIC	ISIP Internship in Turkey	Internship	Agriculture	Ministry of Agriculture, Turkey and IDB, 5 Member Countries	To be decided	Ankara, Turkey
4	SESRIC	Study Visit on “Development of Cotton Production and Technology	Study Visit	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey, Ministry of Agriculture of Afghanistan	To be decided	Turkey
5	SESRIC	Study visit on Gene Bank Technologies	Study Visit	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey, OIC Cotton Excellence Centers	To be decided	Turkey
6	SESRIC	Training on Agronomy: Crop Management / Soil Tillage	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey	To be decided	Bangladesh, Mali
7	SESRIC	Training on Breeding & Biotechnology: Hybridization	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey	To be decided	Mozambique
8	SESRIC	Training on Land Management: Land Conservation, Improvement and Erosion; Soil Analysis and Mapping	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Agricultural Research Centre of Egypt ; Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey; Ministry of Agriculture of Iraq;	To be decided	Sudan, Gambia, Bangladesh

No	Host Institution	Theme of the Activity	Type of the Activity	Relevant Cooperation Area	Partners	Date	Venue
9	SESRIC	Training on Livestock Management: Animal Diseases and Combat with Animal Diseases; Poultry Husbandry (Layer Hen) and Feeding	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Agriculture of Iraq; Ministry of Agriculture, Breeding and Fishing of Togo	February 2014	Saudi Arabia, Comoros
10	SESRIC	Training on Plant Protection: Biological Control	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey	To be decided	Uganda
11	SESRIC	Training on Quality Improvement: Seed Quality, Preparation and Delineation	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey	To be decided	Sudan
12	SESRIC	Training on Seed Development: Laboratory Tests and Certificates	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Agriculture of Iraq	December 2013	Kuwait
13	SESRIC	Training on Transport and Marketing: Impact Analysis in Agricultural Support Policies	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Office of the Agricultural Vocational Training (BFPA) of Senegal	To be decided	Togo
14	SESRIC	Training on Water Resources Management	Capacity Building	Agriculture	Ministry of Forestry and Water Affairs of Turkey	March 2014	Iraq
15	SESRIC	Training Programme on Artificial Insemination and Embryo Transfer	Capacity Building, Study Visit	Agriculture	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of Turkey, IDB and Ministries OIC Member Countries	January 2014	Turkey
16	SESRIC	Workshop on Modern Irrigation Techniques	Workshop	Agriculture	Ministry of Forestry and Water Affairs of Turkey, International Organisations	2014	Turkey
17	SESRIC	4 th Session of the OIC-StatCom	Meeting	All Cooperation Areas	IDB	May 2014	To be decided

No	Host Institution	Theme of the Activity	Type of the Activity	Relevant Cooperation Area	Partners	Date	Venue
18	SESRIC	6th Meeting of the Delegates of the National Statistical Offices of the OIC Member Countries	Meeting	All Cooperation Areas	-	March 2014	New York, USA
19	SESRIC	Expert Group Meeting on Islamic Banking and Finance Statistics	EGM	All Cooperation Areas	IDB	January 2014	Ankara-Turkey
20	SESRIC	Fifth Meeting of the Monitoring and Advisory Committee (MAC)	Meeting	All Cooperation Areas	-----	To be Determined	To be Determined
21	SESRIC	International E-Learning Workshop	Workshop	All Cooperation Areas	Relate OIC Member Countries' institutions, civil society, international organizations and private sector	To be decided	To be decided
22	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Data Dissemination and Publication	Training	All Cooperation Areas	Palestine	To be decided	Saudi Arabia
23	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Database Design and Management; Education Statistics	Training	All Cooperation Areas	Pakistan	December 2013	Bangladesh
24	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Statistical Data Analysis	Training	All Cooperation Areas	Iran	To be decided	Kyrgyzstan
25	SESRIC	Training Program on "Statistical Database Design and Visualization Tools Development"	Workshop	All Cooperation Areas	-	11-12 December 2013	Ankara-Turkey
26	SESRIC	Balance of Payments	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Malaysia	To be Determined	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

No	Host Institution	Theme of the Activity	Type of the Activity	Relevant Cooperation Area	Partners	Date	Venue
27	SESRIC	Company Awareness	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Egypt Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Cameroon
28	SESRIC	Employee (Human Resources) Awareness	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Pakistan Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Malaysia
29	SESRIC	External Debt and International Economic Relations	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Undersecretariat of Treasury of the Prime Ministry of the Republic of Turkey	To be confirmed	Kuwait, Jordan, Egypt, Senegal, Djibouti, Pakistan, Azerbaijan
30	SESRIC	Financial Stability	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Turkey	To be Determined	Mozambique
31	SESRIC	Forecasting Methods	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Turkey	To be Determined	
32	SESRIC	Inflation Targeting	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Djibouti	To be Determined	Djibouti
33	SESRIC	Inflation Targeting and Balance of Payments	Seminar	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Turkey, Sudan, Iraq, Yemen, Egypt	25-29 November	Istanbul, Turkey
34	SESRIC	Insurance and Private Pensions	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Undersecretariat of Treasury of the Prime Ministry of the Republic of Turkey	To be confirmed	Kuwait, Egypt,
35	SESRIC	Investor and Financial Community Awareness	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Istanbul Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Azerbaijan
36	SESRIC	Islamic Debt and Equity Markets and Products	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Egypt Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Palestine
37	SESRIC	Meeting of OIC Central Banks and Monetary Authorities	Conference	Financial Cooperation	To be determined	27-28 November 2013	Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
38	SESRIC	Microfinance	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Bangladesh	To be Determined	Yemen

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39	SESRIC	Public Finance and Operations of Debt Management	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Undersecretariat of Treasury of the Prime Ministry of the Republic of Turkey	To be confirmed	Kuwait, Jordan, Egypt
40	SESRIC	Reserve Management	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Turkey	To be Determined	Uganda
41	SESRIC	Risk Management	Training	Financial Cooperation	Central Bank of Tunisia	To be Determined	Tunis, Tunisia
42	SESRIC	Rules of Listing, Disclosure and Transparency	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Istanbul Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Iran
43	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Income and Consumption	Training	Financial Cooperation	Morocco	To be decided	Qatar
44	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Quarterly National Accounts	Training	Financial Cooperation	Morocco	To be decided	Kuwait
45	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Government Finance	Training	Financial Cooperation	Indonesia	To be decided	Pakistan
46	SESRIC	Short-term Training on System National Accounts 2008	Training	Financial Cooperation	Turkey	January 2014	Saudi Arabia
47	SESRIC	Strategic Role of Investor Relations	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Egypt Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Egypt
48	SESRIC	Treasury Management and Liquidity Issues in Islamic Finance	Capacity Building	Financial Cooperation	Istanbul Stock Exchange	To be confirmed	Pakistan
49	SESRIC	Poverty Alleviation Programme Field Visit to Egypt and Tunisia	Field Visit	Poverty Alleviation	Ministry of Insurance and Social Affairs of Arab Republic of Egypt and Tunisia and Ministry of Family and Social Policy of the Republic of Turkey	To be Determined	Cairo, Egypt / Tunis, Tunisia

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50	SESRIC	Regional poverty reduction policies	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Ministry of Family and Social Policy of the Republic of Turkey	To be Determined	Djibouti
51	SESRIC	Rural Development Projects	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Ministry of Family and Social Policy of the Republic of Turkey	To be Determined	Afghanistan
52	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Migration Statistics	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Morocco	To be decided	United Arab Emirates
53	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Census survey design and sampling techniques	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Indonesia	To be decided	Kuwait
54	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Labour Force	Training	Poverty Alleviation	Iran	To be decided	Tajikistan
55	SESRIC	Skill Development for Youth Employment Field Visit to Cameroon “Need Assessment Study”	Study Visit	Poverty Alleviation	Ministry of Labour	To be Determined	Yaoundé, Cameroon
56	SESRIC	Cloth Painting and Leather Crafting	Capacity Building	Trade	ISMEK and Vocational Institutions in Jordan	To be Determined	Istanbul, Turkey
57	SESRIC	Competition Law and Policy	Training	Trade	Turkish Competition Authority	To be Determined	Indonesia, Qatar, Cameroon, Burkina Faso, Djibouti, Egypt, Gambia
58	SESRIC	Machine Embroidery” and “Sewing Women’s Outer Clothing	Capacity Building	Trade	ISMEK and Vocational Institutions in Yemen	To be Determined	Istanbul, Turkey
59	SESRIC	Short-term Training on Business Registers	Training	Trade	Tunisia	To be decided	Sudan
60	SESRIC	Railway Safety Management Training	Capacity Building	Transportation	Turkish State Railways	5-8 November 2013	Turkey

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61	SESRIJ	Study visit on Railway Simulation Technologies / Railway System Technologies	Study Visit	Transportation	Turkish State Railways, Iranian Railways, UIC	2014	Turkey, Iran
62	SESRIJ	Training on Financing of Railways and Factors effecting Route Selection; Standards and Proficiency of Railway Professions	Capacity Building	Transportation	Turkish State Railways, UIC	2014	Turkey
63	SMIIC	Building and Enhancing Standardization, Metrology and Accreditation Capacity in the OIC Member States	Workshop/ Training	Trade	Islamic Development Bank (IDB)	Last Quarter of 2013-2014	North African Arabic Speaking Countries; African French Speaking Countries; African English Speaking Countries; Central Asian Countries (CACs)
64	SMIIC	Metrology Committee Meeting	Technical Meeting	Trade	SMIIC and SMIIC Metrology Committee	23-24 September 2013	Dubai, UAE
65	SMIIC	Accreditation Committee Meeting	Technical Meeting	Trade	SMIIC and SMIIC Accreditation Committee	November 2013	Konya, The Republic of Turkey and/or Dubai, UAE
66	SMIIC	2. International Halal and Healthy Food Congress	Congress	Trade	Necmettin Erbakan University, Konya Municipality, Halal and Healthy Food Platform and SMIIC	7-10 November 2013	Konya, Republic of Turkey

No	Host Institution	Theme of the Activity	Type of the Activity	Relevant Cooperation Area	Partners	Date	Venue
67	OISA	Promote shipping in OIC countries and strengthen relationship between OISA and Turkish Shipbuilder's Association (GISBIR)	Signing Memorandum	Transport	Turkish Shipbuilder's Association (GISBIR)	27 November 2013	Dubai
68	OISA	Strengthen relationship between OISA and Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport (AAST-MT)	Signing Memorandum	Transport	Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport (AAST-MT)	27 November 2013	Dubai
69	OISA	Increase Business Opportunity	EC & GA Meeting	Transport	Bangladesh Shipbuilding Yards	27 November 2013	Dubai
70	ICCIA	OIC Chamber Academy Program	Training Program	Finance	TOBB, ITFC/IDB	Tbd	Ankara, Turkey
71	ICCIA	15th Private Sector Meeting for Promotion of trade and joint venture investment among the OIC	Private Sector Meeting	Private Sector Cooperation	MC's, IDB	28-30 October 2013	Tehran, Iran
72	ICCIA	7th Forum for Businesswomen in Islamic Countries	Forum	Poverty Alleviation	MC's	28-30 October 2013	Tehran, Iran
73	ICCIA	2nd Regional Workshop for Zakat Organizations	Workshop	Poverty Alleviation	MC's	Tbd	Chambers of Commerce of African Countries
74	ICCIA	Seminar on Creating awareness of the utilities and privileges of various OIC Agreements (TPS-OIC)	Seminar	Trade	MC's	20-22 March 2014	Sharjah, U.A.E.

No	Host Institution	Theme of the Activity	Type of the Activity	Relevant Cooperation Area	Partners	Date	Venue
75	ICCIA	Workshop on Capacity Building on Value Chain Analysis for Agri-Business	Workshop	Agriculture	MCs, PGTF	First Quarter of 2014	Sudan
76	ICCIA	WIEF-ICCIA Web-Reach Internet Marketing Workshop	Workshop	Trade	The World Islamic Economic Forum (WIEF)	2014	Pakistan
77	ICDT	Development of R & D, technological innovation and Intellectual property for the Member States of the OIC	Seminar	Trade	The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and The Moroccan Office of Industrial and Commercial Property (OMPIC)	24-25 October 2013	Casablanca, Morocco
78	ICDT	14th Trade Fair of the OIC Member States (TFOIC 2013)	Fair	Trade	Ministry of Trade of the Islamic Republic of Iran, IIEC-Iran	28 October- 1 November 2013	Tehran, Iran
79	ICDT	1st International Exhibition on Muslim Business	Fair	Trade	Ministry of Economy and Finance of Senegal	14-16 November 2013	Dakar, Senegal
80	ICDT	2nd OIC Halal Food Exhibition	Fair	Trade	Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Sharjah, Expo Centre of Sharjah	16-18 December 2013	Sharjah, UAE
81	ICDT	Training for Primo exporters	Training Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Commerce, Industry and New Technologies of Morocco, ASMEX	22-23 December 2013	Casablanca, Morocco
82	ICDT	12th Meeting of the Economic Counsellors to the Embassies of the OIC Member States accredited to the Kingdom of Morocco	Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Commerce, Industry and New Technologies of Morocco	January 2014	Rabat, Morocco
83	ICDT	Seminar on the outcomes of the WTO Ministerial Conference	Seminar	Trade	IDB Group	January 2014	Casablanca, Morocco

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84	ICDT	Training Seminar on E-marketing for Women entrepreneurs	Training Seminar	Trade	WIEF	February 2014	Casablanca, Morocco
85	ICDT	6th Meeting of the OIC Consultative Group for Enhancing Intra-OIC Trade	Seminar	Trade	ITFC and Ministry of Commerce, Industry and New Technologies of Morocco	February 2014	Marrakesh, Morocco
86	ICDT	1st OIC TPOs for English Speaking Countries	Seminar	Trade	Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Sharjah	19-28 March 2014	Sharjah, UAE
87	ICDT	Seminar on the impact of TPSOIC Agreement on WAEMU Countries' economies	Seminar	Trade	WAEMU Secretariat	March 2014	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
88	ICDT	Seminar on NTBs in OIC Member Countries	Seminar	Trade	IDB Group	March 2014	Casablanca, Morocco
89	ICDT	7th OIC Agribusiness Expo	Fair	Trade	Al Harithy Company	13-16 April 2014	Jeddah, KSA
90	ICDT	2nd OIC Tourism Fair	Fair	Trade	Ministry of Tourism of Tunisia	23-26 April 2014	Tunis, Tunisia
91	ICDT	Seminar on Market approaches of GCC countries and Libya	Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Commerce, Industry and New Technologies of Morocco and ASMEX	April 2014	Casablanca, Morocco
92	ICDT	1st Exhibition on Furniture, Decoration, Household and Electrical Appliances in the OIC Member States	Fair	Trade	Al Harithy Company	11-14 May 2014	Jeddah, KSA

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93	ICDT	Awareness-raising and training seminars on the TPS/OIC	Training Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Economy and Trade	End of Mai 2014	Ramallah, Palestine
94	ICDT	2nd OIC Health Expo	Fair	Trade	Ministry of Commerce and informal sector of Senegal	26-29 June 2014	Dakar, Senegal
95	ICDT	Seminar on competition policies in the OIC Member Countries: current status and prospects	Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Trade and Handicraft of Tunisia	June 2014	Tunis, Tunisia
96	ICDT	3rd OIC Central Asia Business Forum	Fair and Forum	Trade	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade	September 2014	Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei/Singapore
97	ICDT	International Conference on Offshoring among the OIC Member States	Seminar	Trade	Ministry of Trade and Handicraft of Tunisia	November 2014	Tunis, Tunisia
98	IDB Group	9 th International Conference on Zakat	Advisory Conference	Financial Cooperation	Zakat Institutions/Bank Al Zakat Jordan	26 Nov 2013	Jordan
99	IDB Group	IDB Ministerial Consultative Meeting of OIC Member Countries, on the Eve of the 9 th WTO Ministerial Conference	Consultative Meeting	Financial Cooperation	MCs	02 December 2013	Bali, Indonesia
100	IDB Group	Deepening Regional Cooperation and Integration for Sustainable Development	Expert Group Meeting	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MCs, Regional and OIC institutions	Mar/Apr 2014	IDB Group Headquarters, Jeddah
101	IDB Group	Symposium on Deepening Regional Cooperation and Integration for Sustainable Development	Symposium	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MCs, Regional and OIC institutions	June 2014	Jeddah

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102	IDB Group	Public-Private Partnership for Financing Infrastructure Projects	Training Program	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MCs and OIC Institutions	Mar 2014	Jordan
103	IDB Group	Regulation and Supervision of Islamic Banks	Training Program	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MC, OIC and financial Institutions	Mar 2014	Maldives
104	IDB Group	Regulation and Supervision of Islamic Banks	Training Program	Financial Cooperation	Relevant MC, OIC and financial Institutions	June 2014	Brunei
105	CCO	1 st Meeting of the Finance Working Group	Meeting	Finance	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	December 12 th , 2013	Ankara
106	CCO	2 nd Meeting of the Agriculture Working Group	Meeting	Agriculture	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	December 19 th , 2013	Ankara
107	CCO	2 nd Meeting of the Poverty Alleviation Working Group	Meeting	Poverty Alleviation	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	December 26 th , 2013	Ankara
108	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Trade Working Group	Meeting	Trade	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	February 27 th , 2014	Ankara
109	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Tourism Working Group	Meeting	Tourism	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	March 6 th , 2014	Ankara
110	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Transport Working Group	Meeting	Transport	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	March 13 th , 2014	Ankara
111	CCO	2 nd Meeting of the Finance Working Group	Meeting	Finance	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	March 27 th , 2014	Ankara

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112	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Agriculture Working Group	Meeting	Agriculture	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	April 3 rd , 2014	Ankara
113	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Poverty Alleviation Working Group	Meeting	Poverty Alleviation	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	April 10 th , 2014	Ankara
114	CCO	30 th Meeting of the Follow-up Committee of COMCEC	Meeting		Relevant MCs and OIC Institutions	May 2014	Ankara
115	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Trade Working Group	Meeting	Trade	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara
116	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Tourism Working Group	Meeting	Tourism	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara
117	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Transport Working Group	Meeting	Transport	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara
118	CCO	3 rd Meeting of the Finance Working Group	Meeting	Finance	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara
119	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Agriculture Working Group	Meeting	Agriculture	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara
120	CCO	4 th Meeting of the Poverty Alleviation Working Group	Meeting	Poverty Alleviation	MCs, OIC and other international institutions, private sector representatives	September-October 2014	Ankara
121	CCO	30 th Session of the COMCEC	Meeting		MCs, OIC and other international institutions	November 2014	İstanbul

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Original: Turkish

**THE CLOSING ADDRESS OF
H.E DR. CEVDET YILMAZ, THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY
AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION
OF THE COMCEC
(İstanbul, 21 November 2013)**

Honorable Ministers,
Distinguished Delegates,

We have successfully completed the 29th Session of the COMCEC in the wake of intensive and fruitful deliberations. I would like to thank all the delegations, relevant OIC institutions, international organizations and the COMCEC Coordination Office for their efforts and contribution to the Session.

Honorable Ministers,

The economic growth rate in both developed and developing economies considerably fell down or declined due to the Global Crisis the impact of which has been felt since 2007. This negative picture continued to exist in 2008 and 2009. Having shown tendency to recover in 2010 thanks to the growth rates of developed countries, the global economy declined once again in 2011 due to the stagnation in the Eurozone and the USA's and the EU's high financial instabilities, leading to growing concerns and a decrease in the international trade and investments. The international situation prevented the global economy from growing in 2012 particularly due to the stagnation caused by the debt crisis in Europe. It is anticipated that the recovery trend which has been observed since early 2013, will enable the global economy to grow approximately by 4 % in 2014. The developing countries are expected to make more contribution to the global economy within the forthcoming period whereas the growth rate is forecasted to remain slight in the Eurozone.¹

In this conjuncture, the share of the OIC countries in the total global production increased only by 1.8 % within the past 5 years and reached 8.8 % in 2012.² This rate is highly low for 57 OIC countries which make up approximately one fifth of the world population. This rate is nearly 19 % for the US alone, and 15 % for China. The total GDP of the OIC countries steadily improved between 2008 and 2012 and increased from 7.5 trillion USD in 2008 to 9.4 trillion USD in 2012, by 25 %. On the

¹ The Ministry of Development, the Directorate General of Economic Models and Strategic Research, The Department for Monitoring and Evaluation of Global Economic Developments, the Bulletin for Latest Developments in the Global Economy, October 2013.

² UNCTADSTAT, 2013.

other hand, such an increase is insufficient when it is compared to other developing countries. The GDP of non-OIC developing countries reached 24.4 trillion USD in 2008 and went up to 32.1 trillion USD in 2012 by approximately 31% increase.³ At a time we witness a shift from the West to the East in the global economy, we need to immediately take steps to enhance the welfare of the Islamic Ummah through enhancing cooperation among Islamic Countries and thus contributing to the development of the member countries.

Honorable Ministers,
Distinguished delegates,

I am very pleased that the COMCEC Strategy, which was adopted by the last year's 4th Extraordinary Islamic Summit held to provide a new and realistic version for our Cooperation, entered into force this year. The COMCEC Strategy aims at expanding cooperation among our countries in Trade, Transportation, Tourism, Financial Cooperation and Poverty Alleviation. There are two main implementation instruments of the COMCEC Strategy: Working Groups and Project Cycle Management.

Through the Working Groups which were established in 6 cooperation areas defined by the Strategy, we have had the opportunity to develop a common language for our problems and opportunities and to exchange the know-how and experiences among member countries at the technical level. We have paved the way for a significant opportunity for technical cooperation thanks to the Meetings of the Working Groups held at the level of experts. We expect the member countries to actively participate in the Working Groups, which are envisaged to be held twice a year in each cooperation area. I would like to call upon member countries, which have not registered for the Working Groups, to benefit from this great opportunity for cooperation.

I would like to underline that, the inclusion of focal points of COMCEC Working Groups in the country delegations of the COMCEC Sessions and Follow-up Committee Meetings will allow to evaluate the outcomes of the Working Group Meetings under relevant agenda items and significantly contribute to enrich the content of the discussions. For the upcoming COMCEC Meetings, I believe that it would be useful to take this issue into account while forming the delegations.

We aim at materializing our efforts for cooperation through the Project Cycle Management, which is the second implementation instrument of the COMCEC Strategy. In this context, the COMCEC Coordination Office made a call for projects in September. The deadline was the beginning of this month. Project proposals submitted

³ SESRIC, OIC Economic Outlook 2013, page 28.

by Member Countries and OIC Institutions are currently under consideration by the COMCEC Coordination Office. I am pleased to mention that we have received 98 Proposals in total from 23 countries and 3 OIC Institutions so far. The proposals include 28 projects on Agriculture, 26 on Trade, 13 on Transportation, 13 on Poverty Alleviation, 9 on Economic Cooperation and 9 on Tourism. The proposals with the highest potential to contribute to our multilateral cooperation and to the development of the capacity of member countries will be financed by the COMCEC Coordination Office.

Honorable Ministers,
Distinguished delegates,

As you all know, the legal basis for the TPS-OIC, which is the most important project to enhance trade within the body of COMCEC, was completed in 2011. We call upon countries which completed the ratification process for the TPS-OIC Agreements, to convey their list of concessions immediately and invite countries, which have Customs Union among them and have submitted their lists of concessions, to complete the ratification process. We hope that the intra-OIC trade will be facilitated and enhanced once the TPS-OIC is operational. In order to properly and immediately implement this vital project, I would like to request the relevant OIC member countries to focus on this matter and urge them to initiate the procedure to establish the necessary infrastructure for their customs.

As it is well-known, our cooperation in the field of finance among our countries has been expanding daily. In addition to the OIC Stock Exchanges Forum, the COMCEC Capital Market Regulators Forum and the Meetings of the Central Banks and Monetary Authorities, which I consider to be extremely important for the expansion of financial cooperation among member countries, I also attach importance to the establishment of the Financial Cooperation Working Group, which will undertake Financial Cooperation matters from a macro perspective. The first meeting of the Financial Cooperation Working Group will be held in Ankara on December 12th, 2013. I would like to remind you that the member countries' contribution to the cooperation endeavours in this field and their active participation in the meetings particularly in the Working Group Meetings, are of major importance.

I believe that the OIC/COMCEC Private Sector Tourism Forum, which was established in 2011 and held its first meeting last year, will play a role as a catalyst to enhance cooperation among the private sector representatives of member countries. The Forum, the second meeting of which will be held in İstanbul on December 16-17th, 2013, will deliberate on the theme of "Effective Marketing Strategies for Promoting Tourism Destinations in the COMCEC Region". In this context, I would

like to kindly request distinguished delegates to encourage their private sector representatives to participate in the Forum Meeting.

Political and economic instability and turmoil in some parts of the world seem to be the greatest barriers to direct foreign investments in member countries. In addition, some deficiencies in our legal and institutional regulations indicate that we, as the OIC community, are faced with structural problems. The improvement of investment climate and thereby facilitating business are the principal steps we need to take. By taking the realities of the global economy into account, we need to cease to be economies depending on the exportation of cheap goods or raw materials with poor competitive capacity and we need to take steps collectively towards production which is globally competitive in terms of design and technology. An economic culture based on information, effective private and public institutions and innovation will provide member countries with great opportunities.

Distinguished participants,

As I conclude my remarks, I would like to extend my gratitude to all delegates, OIC Institutions and international organizations for their contribution. I would like to reiterate my deep sense of regards to translators and interpreters, all other contributors and the COMCEC Coordination Office in particular for their efforts towards making this Session a success. I wish our deliberations, exchange of views and resolutions to yield fruitful results for the Islamic World and I hope that we will further our cooperation as the Peoples of the brotherly Islamic Countries.

Hoping that you will carry happy memories from Istanbul, I wish you all a safe trip back home.

May the Peace, Mercy and Blessing of Allah be Upon You.

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**LIST OF BASIC DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED
AND/OR PRESENTED AT THE TWENTY-NINTH SESSION
OF THE COMCEC**

(İstanbul, 18-21 November 2013)

1.	COMCEC Annual Progress Report 2013.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(1)-CCO</i>
2.	Report of the OIC General Secretariat on the Implementation of the OIC Ten-Year Programme of Action (TYPOA).....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(3)-OIC</i>
3.	OIC Economic Outlook 2013.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(4)-SESRIC</i>
4.	Executive Summary of ICDT's Annual Report on Trade Among the Member States of the OIC.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(5)-ICDT</i>
5.	CCO Brief on Trade Cooperation	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(6)-CCO</i>
6.	Proceedings of the First Meeting of the COMCEC Trade Working Group.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(8)-CCO</i>
7.	Proceedings of the Second Meeting of the COMCEC Trade Working Group.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(9)-CCO</i>
8.	Report on Trade Fairs and Exhibitions of OIC Member Countries	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(10)-ICDT</i>
9.	Follow-Up Report of the Implementation of the Executive Programme of the Road-Map for Achieving Intra-OIC Trade Targets.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(11)-ICDT</i>
10.	Report of the OIC High Level Forum on Trade Facilitation & Single Window Initiatives for Enhanced Regional Economic Cooperation.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(12)-ICDT</i>
11.	Report of the 5 th OIC Consultative Group Meeting on Enhancing INTRA-OIC Trade.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(13)-ICDT</i>

12.	Report on the Issues Relating to the Activities of the WTO.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(14)-ICDT</i>
13.	Report on IDB GROUP's WTO-Related Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Program.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(15)-IDB</i>
14.	Progress Report on the Expansion of the Intra-OIC Trade.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(16)- ITFC</i>
15.	Report of the Activities of the SMIIC.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(17)-SMIIC</i>
16.	CCO Brief on Transportation.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(19)-CCO</i>
17.	Proceedings of the First Meeting of the COMCEC Transportation Working Group.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(20)-CCO</i>
18.	Proceedings of the Second Meeting of the COMCEC Transportation Working Group.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(21)-CCO</i>
19.	CCO Brief on Tourism.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(22)-CCO</i>
20.	Proceedings of the First Meeting of the COMCEC Tourism Working Group.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(23)-CCO</i>
21.	Proceedings of the Second Meeting of the COMCEC Tourism Working Group.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(24)-CCO</i>
22.	Report of the 1 st Meeting of the OIC/COMCEC Private Sector Tourism Forum.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC /29-13/D(25)- Ministry of Culture and Tourism of the Republic of Turkey</i>
23.	CCO Brief on Agricultural Cooperation	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(26)-CCO</i>
24.	Proceedings of the First Meeting of the COMCEC Agriculture Working Group.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(27)-CCO</i>
25.	Report of the Workshop on “Enhancing the Capacity of COMCEC Member States in Wheat Production”	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(28)-Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock of the Republic of Turkey</i>
26.	CCO Brief on Poverty Alleviation	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(29)-CCO</i>

27.	Proceedings of the First Meeting of the COMCEC Poverty Alleviation Working Group.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(30)-CCO</i>
28.	Progress Report on the Activities of the ISFD..	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(31)-ISFD</i>
29.	Report on the Special Programme for the Development of Africa.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(32)- SPDA</i>
30.	Report of the 6 th Steering Committee Meeting for the Implementation of the OIC Cotton Action Plan	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(33)-Ministry of Customs and Trade of the Republic of Turkey</i>
31.	Progress Report on OIC-VET.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(34)-SESRIC</i>
32.	Draft Study on Managing Natural Disasters and Conflicts in OIC Countries.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(35)-SESRIC-IDB</i>
33.	CCO Brief on Financial Cooperation.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(36)-CCO</i>
34.	Report of the 7 th Meeting of the OIC Member States' Stock Exchanges Forum.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(37)-Borsa İstanbul</i>
35.	Report of the 2 nd Meeting of the COMCEC Capital Market Regulators Forum.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(38)-SPK</i>
36.	Report of Cooperation among the Central Banks and Monetary Authorities.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(39)-SESRIC</i>
37.	Report of the 15 th Private Sector Meeting for the Promotion of Trade and Joint Venture Investment and 7 th Forum for Businesswomen in Islamic Countries.....	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(40)-ICCIA</i>
38.	Report of the Preparatory Workshop on “Increasing Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Flows to OIC Member Countries”	<i>OIC/COMCEC/29-13/D(41)-SESRIC</i>
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