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**RESOLUTION NO. 1/50-INF**  
**ON**  
**OIC MEMBER STATES' SUPPORT TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR**  
**INFORMATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (COMIAC)**

*The Fiftieth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (Developing Intra-OIC Transportation and Communication Infrastructure: Key Instrument for Combating Poverty and Insecurity) held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Muharram, 1446H),*

- **With reference to** Resolution 1/47-INF on OIC Member States' support to the Standing Committee for Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC), adopted by the Council's 47<sup>th</sup> session (Session of United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 12-13 Rabi Thani II, 1440H (27-28 November 2020);
- **With reference to** Resolution 1/46-INF on OIC Member States' support to the Standing Committee for Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC), adopted by 46<sup>th</sup> session (Session of 50 Years of Cooperation: Roadmap for Prosperity and Development) held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on 25-24 Jumada I, 1440H (1-2 March 2019);
- **Proceeding from** Resolution 2/11-INF on "Supporting the information work of the Standing Committee on Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC) adopted at the 11<sup>th</sup> session of COMIAC (Session of Education and Culture as Drivers of Peace, Development and Rapprochement of Peoples) held in Dakar, Republic of Senegal, on 14-15 May 2018 (28-29 Sha'ban 1439 A.H.);
- **Recalling** resolution 1/45-INF on OIC Member States' support to the Standing Committee for Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC), adopted by the Forty-fifth session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session of Islamic Values for Sustainable Peace, Solidarity and Development) held in Dhaka, People's Republic of Bangladesh, on 19 and 20 Shaaban 1439H (5 and 6 May 2018);
- **Taking note of** resolution 1/44-INF on "OIC Member States' support to COMIAC", issued by the CFM in its 44<sup>th</sup> session (Session of Youth, Peace and Development in World of Solidarity) held in Abidjan, Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, on 10-11 July 2017 (16-17 Shawwal 1438H);
- **In a bid to** support COMIAC in discharging its duties of, inter alia, giving a new impetus to information and culture across the Muslim world, enabling it to introduce the international public opinion to Muslim world supreme causes, including the Palestinian and Al-Quds Al-Sharif cause, in addition to countering smear campaigns targeting Islam and Muslims, following up the implementation of the resolutions adopted by the Islamic Conference in the areas of expertise of the COMIAC, exploring ways to boost cooperation among the Member States on information and culture, and preparing capacity-building programs and proposals in these two areas;
- **Pursuant to** Paragraph 184 of the Final Communiqué of the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference (Session of Unity and Solidarity for Justice and Peace), held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 14-15 April 2016, which praised the Republic of Senegal's efforts to reinvigorate

COMIAC and encouraged COMIAC to develop information programs and activities and increase media visibility for the OIC, in association with relevant OIC institutions and international partners;

- **Recalling** Resolution 3/10-INF on “the Role of the Standing Committee for Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC) in its Capacity as Coordinator of the Action of the OIC Information Organs”, and Resolution 5/10-INF on “Reactivating the Standing Committee on Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC) and Supporting its Coordination Office”, adopted by the 10<sup>th</sup> session of the COMIAC held in Dakar on 28-29 April 2015;
- **Proceeding** from Resolution 3/10–INF on “Supporting the Work of Joint Islamic Media Action Institutions”, adopted by the 10<sup>th</sup> Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, held in Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran, on 3-4 December 2014 (Session of Media Convergence for Peace and Calm in the Islamic World), which underscores, in Operative Paragraph 3, the need to support the work of all joint Islamic media action institutions, including COMIAC, to enhance synergy among them, improve their efficiency, contribute to their activities effectively, and benefit from the services they offer;
- **Having considered** the Secretary General’s report submitted to this session,
  1. **Expresses** appreciation to the Republic of Senegal for its efforts in support of the Standing Committee for Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC), including the appointment of the Director of COMIAC Coordination Office and the allocation of its premises in the capital city of Dakar, and **calls for** continued reinvigoration and promotion of the work of COMIAC;
  2. **Welcomes** the outcome of the 11<sup>th</sup> session of the Standing Committee on Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC) (Session of Education and Culture as Drivers of Peace, Development and Rapprochement of Peoples) held in Dakar, Republic of Senegal, on 14-15 May 2018; and **calls on** OIC Member States and relevant institutions to work for its implementation with a view to developing the work of this Standing Committee and supporting its Coordination Office;
  3. **Commends** COMIAC’s new dynamism to reinvigorate joint Islamic media action, and highly appreciates its convening of a media workshop on the OIC, in Dakar, Senegal, on 30 May 2016, which was attended by many of the OIC Member States’ Ambassadors in Dakar, along with media representatives, civil society activists and the OIC General Secretariat, who have contributed to increasing OIC’s visibility in the media in Senegal and Africa; and commends COMIAC’s participating in organizing a number of specialized media workshops in 2017 and 2018, in association with the OIC Information Department and ISESCO;
  4. **Welcomes** the holding of the 12th session of the Standing Committee for Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC) in Dakar, on October 17 and 18, 2023, on the theme: "The role of Muslim youth in promoting the Islamic values of peace, solidarity and tolerance;
  5. **Welcomes** the commitment of the President of the Republic of Senegal, His Excellency Mr. Bassirou Diomaye Diakhar Faye, to revitalize the COMIAC so that it better fulfills its vocation of promoting the authentic values of Islamic culture and civilization, at the 15th Islamic Summit Conference held in Republic of The Gambia on May 4 and 5, 2024;
  6. **Commends** the initiative of COMIAC President to launch an international prize to reward outstanding media and media professionals in the field of promotion of peace, tolerance and intercultural harmony, and **highly appreciates** the convening on 10 April 2017 in Dakar of the first meeting of the ad hoc committee formed during the 11<sup>th</sup> Islamic Conference of

Information Ministers held in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 19-21 December 2016 to study the conditions and modalities of the implementation of the prize; and **praises** the outcome of the second meeting of this committee held at the headquarters of the Union of OIC News Agencies (UNA) in Jeddah on 30 October 2017 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Committee held in Dakar on 13 May 2018, which finalized the discussion on the criteria and procedures of the international award;

7. **Renews the call on** all the Member States to show understanding of the critical financial situation of COMIAC, which requires them to continuously extend necessary support, including financial and in-kind support, and host joint projects and programs, proposed and submitted by the COMIAC Coordination Office to enable it to carry out its mandate in the fields of information and culture within the OIC;
8. **Recognizes** the pivotal role played by COMIAC in advancing information and cultural exchange across the Muslim world and pledges full support to COMIAC in its efforts to give new impetus to information and culture, introduce global audiences to important causes of the Muslim world such as the Palestinian and Al-Quds Al-Sharif cause, Jammu and Kashmir Dispute, and counter smear campaigns targeting Islam and Muslims. **also acknowledges** and endorses the efforts of COMIAC to increase media visibility for the OIC, in line with the resolutions adopted during the 13th Islamic Summit Conference and previous sessions of COMIAC;
9. **Proposes** for COMIAC to organize media exchange programs and visits for capacity building/ exchange of expertise of journalists/ media professionals across the Muslim world; expresses readiness for collaboration among member states and relevant institutions to strengthen information and cultural affairs within the OIC framework;
10. **Requests** the OIC Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this resolution and to report thereon to the Council's 51<sup>st</sup> Session.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2/50-INF**  
**ON**  
**LAUNCH OF AN INTERNATIONAL MEDIA AWARD**

*The Fiftieth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (Developing Intra-OIC Transportation and Communication Infrastructure: Key Instrument for Combating Poverty and Insecurity) held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Muharram, 1446H),*

- **With reference to** Resolution 2/47-INF on the “Establishment of the International Media Award”, adopted by the Council’s 47<sup>th</sup> session (Session of United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 12-13 Rabi Thani II, 1440H (27-28 November 2020);
- **Proceeding from** the outcomes of the twelfth session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on October 21 and 22, 2022, in particular the report of the session in Items No. 11 and 12 on the OIC Award for Distinguished Media Outlets and Media Professionals in the Field of Promoting Dialogue, Tolerance and Intercultural Harmony).
- **With reference to** Resolution 2/46-INF on the “Establishment of the International Media Award”, adopted by 46<sup>th</sup> session (Session of 50 Years of Cooperation: Roadmap for Prosperity and Development) held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on 25-24 Jumada I, 1440H (1-2 March 2019);
- **Proceeding from** Resolution 3/11-INF on the “Launch of an International Media Award” adopted at the 11<sup>th</sup> session of COMIAC (Session of Education and Culture as Drivers of Peace, Development and Rapprochement of Peoples) held in Dakar, Republic of Senegal, on 14-15 May 2018 (28-29 Sha’ban 1439 A.H.);
- **Recalling** Resolution 2/45-INF on the “Launch of an International Media Award”, adopted by the Council’s 45<sup>th</sup> session (Session of Islamic Values for Sustainable Peace, Solidarity and Development) held in Dhaka, People’s Republic of Bangladesh, on 19 and 20 Shaaban 1439 A.H. (5 and 6 May 2018);
- **Recalling** Resolution 2/44-INF on the “Launch of an International Media Award”, adopted by the Council’s 44<sup>th</sup> session held in Abidjan, Republic of Côte d’Ivoire, on 10-11 July 2017;
- **Welcoming** the commendable efforts of COMIAC Chair to revitalize the Committee;
- **In accordance** with the outcomes of the 10<sup>th</sup> session of COMIAC held in Dakar on 28 and 29 April 2015, particularly its recommendations on increasing support for Islamic journalism,
- **Taking into** consideration the announcement by the Chair of COMIAC contained in his report which was adopted by Heads of State and Government who met in Istanbul in April 2016 during the 13<sup>th</sup> session of the Islamic Summit, particularly in relation to the guidelines proposed for adoption as a basis for the COMIAC’ future programme,
- **Being convinced** of the major role that should be played by the media in the area of peace and development in Member States,
- **Having considered** the OIC Secretary General’s report submitted to this session,

1. **Expresses** its profound appreciation for the initiative launched by the President of the Republic of Senegal, in his capacity as the Chair of COMIAC, on the establishment of an international prize for outstanding media outlets and journalists active in dialogue, tolerance and cross-cultural harmony;
2. **Praises** the Republic of Senegal's efforts to establish the ad hoc committee responsible for the consideration of the terms and conditions of the prize, and **commends** highly the engagement of states and institutions members of the said committee;
3. **Commends** the outcome of the first, second and third meetings of the ad hoc committee responsible for considering the terms and conditions of the Prize, held on 10 April 2017 in Dakar, 30 October 2017 in Jeddah, and on 13 May 2018 in Dakar, respectively, wherein committee members examined, in their first meeting, the prize concept paper, outlining the target audience, the prize title (OIC International Media prize), types of media outlets eligible for participation, its subjects, adopted languages, cash and in-kind prize value, number of laureates, prize sponsorship and global prize amount. The second meeting discussed the prize a technical paper detailing the prize goals, scope, general nomination conditions, media works participating in the prize, prize amount, prize categories, selection procedure, prize structure, jury composition, and date and venue of launching the prize in 2018. The third meeting finalized discussion on the technical paper of the prize, including its terms and procedure. The paper was enriched with proposals of OIC Member States and institutions;
4. **Commends** the efforts of the General Secretariat in the preparation of the prize technical paper, taking into account the outputs of states and institutions members of the Prize Committee, including terms and conditions regarding institutions, nominees, works nominated for the prize, amount of the prize, suspension cases, laureates selection method, structure of the prize, laureate selection criteria, date of launching the prize, total cost, adopted in the Resolution issued by the twelfth session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on October 21 and 22, 2022;
5. **Invites** all the Member States, OIC financial institutions and relevant OIC organs to provide full support, both moral and material, to set the Award initiative into motion;
6. **Commends** the establishment of this award to recognize excellence in promoting dialogue, tolerance and cultural harmony and suggests considering separate award categories for print, broadcast, digital/ social media to ensure representation across platforms;
7. **Endorses** the adoption of the technical sheet the OIC Award for Distinguished Media Outlets and Media Professionals in the Field of Promoting Dialogue, Tolerance and Intercultural Harmony, based on the outcomes of the 12th session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on October 21 and 22, 2022, and underlines the need to establish an OIC General Secretariat-based Fund to finance the Award. In line with Item 14 of the technical sheet regarding financing the award, a bank account will be opened for this purpose;
8. **Requests** the OIC Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this resolution and to report thereon to the Council's 51<sup>st</sup> Session.

**RESOLUTION NO. 3/50-INF**  
**ON**  
**SUPPORTING THE OIC BROADCASTING REGULATORY AUTHORITIES FORUM**  
**(IBRAF)**

*The Fiftieth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (Developing Intra-OIC Transportation and Communication Infrastructure: Key Instrument for Combating Poverty and Insecurity) held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Muharram, 1446H),*

- **Recalling** Resolution 3/47-INF on “Supporting the OIC Broadcasting Regulatory Authorities Forum (IBRAF)”, adopted by the Council’s 47<sup>th</sup> session (Session of United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 12-13 Rabi Thani II, 1440H (27-28 November 2020);
- **With reference to** Resolution 3/46-INF on “Supporting the OIC Broadcasting Regulatory Authorities Forum (IBRAF)”, adopted by 46<sup>th</sup> session (Session of 50 Years of Cooperation: Roadmap for Prosperity and Development) held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on 25-24 Jumada I, 1440H (1-2 March 2019);
- **Recalling** Resolution 4/11-INF on “Supporting the Work of Joint Islamic Media Action Institutions and their Coordination” adopted at the 11<sup>th</sup> session of COMIAC (Session of Education and Culture as Drivers of Peace, Development and Rapprochement of Peoples) held in Dakar, Republic of Senegal, on 14-15 May 2018 (28-29 Sha’ban 1439 A.H.);
- **Recalling** Resolution 3/45-INF on “Supporting the OIC Broadcasting Regulatory Authorities Forum (IBRAF)”, adopted by the Forty-fifth session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session of Islamic Values for Sustainable Peace, Solidarity and Development) held in Dhaka, People’s Republic of Bangladesh, on 19 and 20 Sha’ban 1439 A.H. (5 and 6 May 2018);
- **Taking note** of Resolution 3/44-INF adopted by the Forty-fourth session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session of Youth, Peace and Development in World of Solidarity) held in Abidjan, Republic of Cote d’Ivoire on 16 and 17 Shawwal 1438H (Corresponding to 10 and 11 July 2017), on supporting the OIC Broadcasting Regulatory Authorities Forum (IBRAF),
- **Referring** to Resolution No.1/40-INF adopted by the Fortieth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, (Session of Dialogue of Civilizations, Factor of Peace and Sustainable Development), held in Conakry, Republic of Guinea, on 6-8 Safar 1435H (9-11 December 2013) on granting the OIC Broadcasting Regulatory Authorities Forum (IBRAF) an affiliated institution status,
- **Recalling** the objectives and principles enshrined in the Charter of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), particularly those calling for promoting solidarity among the Islamic countries and strengthening capacities to protect their security, sovereignty, independence and national rights,
- **With reference to** the OIC-2025: Programme of Action, adopted by the 13<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye on 14-15 April 2016, particularly Paragraph 50 on Media and Public Diplomacy, which affirms that the press and broadcast media, are the most effective tool and source for the dissemination of information and shaping of public opinion, and that the OIC is in the process of putting in place an elaborate strategy for effective

public outreach and employing media for promoting the goals and objectives of the Organization,

- **Taking cognizance of** the outcome of the 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers (ICIM), (Session of the New Media to Counter Terrorism and Islamophobia), held in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 21 December 2016,
- **Noting** that the ICIM called on IBRAF in the same session through Resolution No.12/11-INF on the “Role of Information in Combating Terrorism” to prepare “a code of conduct including legislations and legal procedures for the media to encounter terrorism”,
- **Stressing** that addressing the issue of Islamophobia starts with presenting the true image of the religion of Islam to foreign interlocutors in a thoughtful and effective manner,
- **Emphasizing** the importance of cooperation among Member States in developing media mechanisms to fight terrorism,
- **Having considered** the OIC Secretary General’s report submitted to this session,
  1. **Takes note of** the appointment, in October 2019, of Mr. Nurullah Ozturk as new Director General of IBRAF, replacing the outgoing Dr Hamit Ersoy; **expresses wishes** for success to the incumbent; and **thanks** the outgoing Director General for his invaluable efforts to set the Forum in motion and then expand its membership and enlarge its network of relations and activities with broadcasting corporations across the Member States;
  2. **Calls for** more structured, long- term training programs for journalists and media professionals;
  3. **Proposes** development of an OIC Media Corps comprising prominent journalists and media professionals to coherently project the Muslim world’s perspectives;
  4. **Also proposes** training for other media officials and capacity building with respect to the media in general through joint ventures among member countries and international organizations;
  5. **Calls for** a similar guidebook with a dedicated social media cell to identify and respond to systematic online Islamophobic incidents which would help institutionalize the response to the ever- increasing problem of Islamophobia. also, urgently **calls for** a guidebook on countering fake news;
  6. **Calls for** harmonizing the work and activities of the IBRAF with the existing media bodies under the OIC umbrella in a way that enhances the coordination of joint Islamic media work among these bodies and doubles their effectiveness;
  7. **Takes note of** the convening of the second meeting of the steering committee of IBRAF in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye on 29 September 2017, which discussed the agenda of the Sixth Annual Meeting of IBRAF;
  8. **Expresses appreciation** to the Republic of Indonesia for hosting the Fifth Annual Meeting in Bandung, Republic of Indonesia on 23 February 2017 under the theme: “Media Literacy & Media Landscape for World Harmony”; and **salutes** the Republic of Benin and the Audiovisual and Communication High Authority (HAAC) for hosting the 6th Annual Meeting of IBRAF on 19-20 February 2018, which saw a number of national broadcasting regulatory authorities joining IBRAF;

- 9. Welcomes** the outcome of the Fifth Annual Meeting of IBRAF, in particular the adoption of Bandung Declaration on the Role of Media in Promoting Tolerance and Combating Terrorism and Islamophobia;
- 10. Urges** the Member States to take the necessary measures to encourage their national broadcasting regulatory authorities and/or institutions with similar functions and responsibilities to collaborate with the OIC Broadcasting Regulatory Authorities Forum (IBRAF), which will be a platform dedicated to establishing and promoting regular coordination, communication and cooperation among the concerned parties in the Member States;
- 11. Requests** the OIC Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this resolution and to report thereon to the Council's 51<sup>st</sup> Session.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 4/50-INF**  
**ON**  
**STRENGTHENING THE MEDIA ACTION OF THE ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC**  
**COOPERATION AND ITS MEDIA INSTITUTIONS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE**  
**MEMBER STATES**

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- **Based on** Resolution 4/47-INF on “Strengthening the Media Action of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and its Media Institutions in Partnership with the Member States”, issued by the Council’s 47<sup>th</sup> session (Session of United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 12-13 Rabi Thani II, 1440H (27-28 November 2020);
- **With reference to** Resolution 4/46-INF on “Strengthening the Media Action of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and its Media Institutions in Partnership with the Member States”, adopted by 46<sup>th</sup> session (Session of 50 Years of Cooperation: Roadmap for Prosperity and Development) held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on 25-24 Jumada I, 1440H (1-2 March 2019);
- **Based on** Resolution 4/45-INF on “Strengthening the Media Action of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and its Media Institutions in Partnership with the Member States”, issued by the CFM in its 45<sup>th</sup> session (Session of Islamic Values for Sustainable Peace, Solidarity and Development) held in Dhaka, People’s Republic of Bangladesh, on 19-20 Sha’ban 1439H/5-6 May 2018,
- **Taking note of** Resolution 4/44-INF adopted by the Forty-fourth session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session of Youth, Peace and Development in World of Solidarity) held in Abidjan, Republic of Cote d’Ivoire on 16 and 17 Shawwal 1438H (Corresponding to 10 and 11 July 2017),
- **Recalling** Resolution 4/9-INF on “Coordination in the Information Field within the Framework of the OIC in Order to Give a Comprehensive Picture of Joint Islamic Action, issued by the 9<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, held in Libreville, Gabonese Republic on 19 and 20 April 2012, which was endorsed by the 39<sup>th</sup> session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, held in Djibouti, Republic of Djibouti, on 15-17 November 2012;
- **Stressing** the importance of strengthening cooperation and coordination between the OIC General Secretariat, the information institutions and member states concerning implementation of media projects and programmes;
- **Having considered** the OIC Secretary General’s report submitted to this session;
- 1. **Supports** the resolutions of the General Assembly of the OIC Union of News Agencies (UNA), held at the Jeddah-based General Secretariat on 12 December 2019; and **urges** the Member States to support and pay their annual budgetary contribution to the Union;

2. **Expresses appreciation** for the media action that has been, and continues to be, carried out by the OIC General Secretariat to develop the capacities of journalists, widen their knowledge and polish their skills on media matters through the organization of specialized media training programmes and courses, especially in 2017 and 2019, and **invites** it to organize more of these training programmes and media workshops in cooperation with media, research and training institutions and with relevant authorities in member states and non-member states, in order to strengthen the OIC's media action, benefit the journalists and strengthen the OIC's media visibility through these media programmes;
3. **Welcomes** the outcome of the media workshop organized and hosted by the OIC General Secretariat on 15 November 2018, on the theme "Social media's supportive role for the OIC work", with the participation of 35 bloggers, tweeps and social media influencers from different institutions and states members of the OIC, to explore ways to increase visibility for the Organization on regional and international media, and to promote knowledge of OIC programmes and activities within Member States and beyond;
4. **Welcomes** the outcome of the workshop held by the OIC General Secretariat in partnership with ISESCO and in cooperation with Thomson Foundation of Britain to prepare the "Guidebook for Training Journalists to Cover Terrorist Incidents" in the period from 31 October – 2 November 2017 at the OIC General Secretariat in Jeddah, in response to the request of the Ministers of Information to the General Secretariat and ISESCO to submit a study on the mechanisms for training specialized media workers, in conformity with resolution no. 12/11-INF on "Role of the Media in Combating Terrorism" adopted by the 11<sup>th</sup> session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers held in Jeddah on 21 December 2016, and endorsed by resolution no. 4/44-INF on "Reaffirmation of the Resolutions of the 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers held in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 21 December 2016", during the 44<sup>th</sup> session of the Islamic Council of Foreign Ministers, held in Abidjan on 10 and 11 July 2017;
5. **Welcomes** the outcome both of the "First Islamic-European Forum on Exploring Ways of Cooperation to Eliminate Hate Speech in the Media" and of the "Media Workshop to Assess and Adopt the Final Draft of the Media Training Guide for Covering Terrorist Acts and to Examine Related Technical, Media and Legal Aspect". The two events, held by the OIC General Secretariat in partnership with ISESCO, took place at the Press Club Brussels Europe in Belgium, on 29-30 June 2018. The Guide, driven to its final form, as mandated by the 11<sup>th</sup> Islamic Conference of Information Ministers, will be submitted for approval to the conference in its 12<sup>th</sup> session;
6. **Commends** the outcome of the training session which the General Secretariat conducted on "Social Media Infographics" at UNA media training centre, on 10-12 April 2018, for the benefit of journalists and broadcasters from across the OIC Member States;
7. **Welcomes** the outcome of the workshop held by the OIC and ISESCO, in coordination with the Senegalese National Authority in charge of UNESCO, ISESCO, and COMIAC on "Operationalizing the OIC Media Strategy to Counter Islamophobia and the OIC Comprehensive Media Strategy till 2025", in Dakar, Republic of Senegal on 16-17 October 2017, which called for the establishment of a network of media training institutions in the Muslim world to strengthen cooperation among them and to develop a unified plan for the training of journalists, intensifying coordination and partnership between the OIC and specialized institutions in preparing contents and materials that project Islamic and its

tolerant values which can be understood by a westerner to contribute to correcting the negative stereotypes about Islam;

- 8. Hails** the conclusions of the sub-regional workshop on “Women in Civil Society and Strengthening Their Role in the Media” held by OIC General Secretariat and ISESCO and the General Secretariat of Bahrain National Commission for Education, Science and Culture in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain on 4 and 5 October 2017, in implementation of resolution 4/11-INF on “Empowerment of Women in and Through the Media” which recommended the utilization of the successful experience in Member States on strengthening the role of women in the society by establishing a network of female journalists under the supervision of the OIC General Secretariat and documenting the achievements of pioneers; **commends** the objectives of the OIC Media Monitoring Observation for Women in Member States and seek guidance from its orientations; and **urges** the media to strengthen women presence in media institutions as journalists or those tasked with running media contracts;
- 9. Welcomes** the recommendations of the workshop of experts and representatives of the civil society to discuss media and legal measures to counter Islamophobia which was organized by the OIC General Secretariat, ISESCO and the Islamic Cultural Centre in London, United Kingdom on 15 and 16 July 2017, in implementation of resolution 2/11 on “The OIC Anti-Islamophobia Media Strategy” adopted by the 11<sup>th</sup> session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers held in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 21 December 2016, which called for intensified coordination and cooperation between governments and civil society institutions and the media to counter those behind Islamophobia and to relate with them as groups who hate Islam, violate human rights and threaten the international efforts aimed at strengthening dialogue among cultures and alliance of civilizations; **calls** on intergovernmental and civil society organizations, to coordinate efforts to implement the charters, treaties, conventions, declarations and resolutions as well as national and international laws affirming the separation between freedom of opinion and expression and the various excesses and defamation of religions perpetrated by the media under the cover of freedom of opinion and expression; and **calls** on Muslims representatives of civil society and Islamic institutions in western countries to improve and strengthen their media narratives and positive interaction with the media, and to launch campaigns, media and cultural programmes to project the true image of the tolerant religion of Islam;
- 10. Requests** the OIC Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this resolution and to report thereon to the Council’s 51<sup>st</sup> Session.

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**RESOLUTION NO.5/50-INF  
ON THE  
UNION OF OIC NEWS AGENCIES (UNA)**

*The Fiftieth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (Developing Intra-OIC Transportation and Communication Infrastructure: Key Instrument for Combating Poverty and Insecurity) held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Muharram, 1446H),*

**Recalling** the resolutions on information affairs of the 48<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Islamabad, Pakistan, on 22 and 23 March (Session of Partnering for Unity, Justice, and Development) and the resolution on information affairs adopted by the 12<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 21-22 October 2022 (Session of Combating Disinformation and Islamophobia in the Post-Truth Era);

**Proceeding** from the resolution No.4/47-INF on “Strengthening the Media Action of the OIC and its Media Institutions in Partnership with the Member States” adopted by the 47<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session of United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 27-28 November 2020;

**Referring** to the resolution No.8/11-INF on “Supporting the Work of Joint Islamic Media Institutions” adopted by the 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers (Session of the New Media to Counter Terrorism and Development) held in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 21 December 2016;

**Based on** the resolution No.4/9-INF on “Coordination in the Information Field in the Framework of the OIC in Order to Give a Comprehensive Picture of Joint Islamic Action” adopted by the 9<sup>th</sup> Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers (Session of Information Technologies in the Service of Peace and Development) held in Libreville, Gabonese Republic, on 19-20 April 2012;

1. **Appreciates** the support of the host country of the Union of OIC News Agencies (UNA), the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, for UNA and its provision of a financial grant of 11 million and 899 thousand riyals (3 million and 173 thousand dollars) and appreciates the role of the State of Qatar in paying all its contributions for the past years, which amounted to (985 thousand dollars);
2. **Calls on** Member States to pay their obligatory contributions to the budgets of UNA following the completion of the restructuring process as adopted by the 8<sup>th</sup> session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers held in Rabat on 27-28 January 200 and at UNA General Assembly; Commends the Member States that are committed to paying their contributions to the UNA budget, led by the host country, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia as well as the United Arab Emirates, and the Sultanate of Oman; **laments** the countries that have taken the initiative to pay their contributions: the State of Qatar, the Arab Republic of Egypt, the Kingdom of Bahrain, the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Cote d’Ivoire, and the Republic of Cameroon;
3. **Calls on** the Union to strengthen its communication with non-member states, including international unions of news agencies and global media institutions, to organize media programs in areas of common interest, promote dialogue and cultural exchange, combat

Islamophobia and terrorism, and highlight the role of the OIC, its organs and the Member States in these domains;

4. **Invites** the Union to intensify training programs for the benefit of media professionals in the Member States via its training centre and work in coordination with the Member States and other OIC media institutions to establish a network and a permanent forum for media training institutions to enhance coordination between them and provide more training opportunities for media professionals in the Member States;
5. **Encourages** UNA's contributions to media coverage of prominent events and conferences held within the OIC system and in the Member States and praise, in particular, the coverage provided by the Union to the 48 Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers, the OIC Fourth Conference on Mediation and the First Meeting of Anti-Corruption Law Enforcement Agencies in the OIC Member States; **calls on** UNA to set up a media program at the level of news agencies to enhance media coverage of OIC's activities and conference, especially the Islamic Summit, ministerial conference and other related international conferences in the Member States;
6. **Encourages** UNA to increase the level of coordination between employees of news agencies and media professionals in the Member States to enhance communication between them and to work on creating a database to support joint media action and to use it to enhance the media visibility of the OIC, its conferences and organs, and international conferences of Member States;
7. **Calls for** enhanced news exchange and content sharing among UNA members through its platforms;
8. **Appreciates** UNA's launch of an integrated digital media platform in the three OIC official languages and 15 other languages using AI-powered neural machine translation technology to enhance news exchange between the Member States and intensify media coverage of the OIC's activities and prominent events in Islamic countries; **calls on** the Member States and OIC organs to take advantage of this platform and provide it with media materials and urges the Union to increase the level of news exchange between news agencies in Member States in a way that ensures relaying correct and reliable information, in accordance with the followed professional standards;
9. **Requests** the OIC Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this resolution and to report thereon to the Council's 51<sup>st</sup> Session.

**RESOLUTION NO.6/50-INF**  
**ON**  
**ADVANCING COOPERATION IN THE MEDIA SECTOR TO PROMOTE PEACE,**  
**DEVELOPMENT AND PROSPERITY, INCLUDING THROUGH HARNESSING THE**  
**SDGS**

*The Fiftieth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (Developing Intra-OIC Transportation and Communication Infrastructure: Key Instrument for Combating Poverty and Insecurity) held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Muharram, 1446H),*

- **Based on** Resolution 5/47-INF on “Advancing Cooperation in the Media Sector for Peace, Development and Prosperity including through Harnessing SDGs”, issued by the Council’s 47<sup>th</sup> session (Session of United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 12-13 Rabi Thani II, 1440H (27-28 November 2020);
  - **With reference to** Resolution 5/46-INF on “Advancing Cooperation in the Media Sector for Peace, Development and Prosperity including through Harnessing SDGs”, adopted by 46<sup>th</sup> session (Session of 50 Years of Cooperation: Roadmap for Prosperity and Development) held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on 25-24 Jumada I, 1440H (1-2 March 2019);
  - **Based on** Resolution 5/45-INF on “Advancing Cooperation in the Media Sector for Peace, Development and Prosperity including through Harnessing SDGs”, issued by the Council of Foreign Ministers in its 45<sup>th</sup> session (Session of Islamic Values for Sustainable Peace, Solidarity and Development) held in Dhaka, People’s Republic of Bangladesh, on 19-20 Sha’ban 1439H / 5-6 May 2018;
  - **Being cognizant of** the need to continuously promote mutual understanding and solidarity among the Muslim Ummah around the globe;
  - **Upholding** the true spirit of Islam;
  - **Recalling** the ongoing cooperation between the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and the United Nations (UN) in different fields, in particular peace, security, humanitarian assistance and refugees and the promotion of dialogue among civilizations;
  - **Recalling** the OIC Media Strategy adopted at the 11<sup>th</sup> session of the Conference of Information Ministers on 21 December 2016;
  - **Referring** to the resolutions on cooperation in the media sector adopted by the previous sessions of the Council of Foreign Ministers;
  - **Noting** with appreciation the efforts of OIC affiliated institutions in the area of information;
  - **In a bid** to promote peace and development through making optimal use of media and cultural events;
- 1. Calls on** the Member States to utilize their media sector to highlight and disseminate information on the achievements and positive stories of OIC member states to socio-economic sectors, particularly in areas covered under the UN Sustainable Development Goals such as counterterrorism, climate change, humanitarian assistance, migration, disaster risk reduction and preparedness, gender issues, etc;

2. **Calls for** a centralized digital repository for sharing multimedia content, a digital platform for sharing films, documentaries, and educational media, fostering cultural understanding, to enhance affinity in Muslim Ummah;
3. **Also encourages** utilization of Information Channels, leveraging social media through coordinated campaigns and digital toolkits;
4. **Calls for** an OIC Media Network for real- time content sharing and joint production ventures which would enhance collaboration;
5. **Also calls** for regular monitoring, quarterly reports, and annual reviews for effective implementation and proposes for an OIC Media Fact- check to highlight socio- **economic** progress and key statistics from Muslim nations to counter fake news;
6. **Urges** the Member States to utilize different means of information and communication channels available, including social media, to disseminate information on contributions of the OIC in promotion of peace, humanitarianism and other regional and global causes for the benefit of the entire Ummah;
7. **Encourages** the press, radio and TV broadcasters in OIC member states to engage in active cooperation in news coverage and reporting through sharing and joint production of media content (news clippings, reports, documentaries and related material);
8. **Supports** the exchange of films and other information and cultural contents (TV drama, documentaries, animation, educational or public awareness media products, etc.) between government as well as media institutions;
9. **Calls on** the related institutions of the OIC, in association with related institutions of the UN, as may be applicable, to facilitate capacity building and strengthening of the media sector in OIC member states. activities may include technical and managerial training for media personnel including holding of seminars and workshops, sharing of facilities and expertise, cooperation in equipment and infrastructure upgradation, exchange of volunteers/interns, etc;
10. **Requests** the Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this resolution and to report thereon to the Council's 51<sup>st</sup> Session.

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**RESOLUTION NO.7/50-INF**  
**ON**  
**PROGRESS TOWARD THE LAUNCH OF THE OIC SATELLITE CHANNEL**

*The Fiftieth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (Developing Intra-OIC Transportation and Communication Infrastructure: Key Instrument for Combating Poverty and Insecurity) held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Muharram, 1446H),*

- **Recalling** Resolution 6/47-INF on “Progress Toward the Launch of the OIC Satellite Channel”, adopted by the Council’s 47<sup>th</sup> session (Session of United Against Terrorism for Peace and Development) held in Niamey, Republic of Niger, on 12-13 Rabi Thani II, 1440H (27-28 November 2020);
- **With reference to** Resolution 6/46-INF on “Progress Toward the Launch of the OIC Satellite Channel”, adopted by 46<sup>th</sup> session (Session of 50 Years of Cooperation: Roadmap for Prosperity and Development) held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on 25-24 Jumada I, 1440H (1-2 March 2019);
- **With reference to** paragraph 15 of Dakar Declaration of the 11<sup>th</sup> session of the Standing Committee for Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC) (Session of Education and Culture as Drivers of Peace, Development and Rapprochement of Peoples), held in Dakar, Republic of Senegal, on 14-15 May 2018 (28-29 Sha’ban 1439 A.H.), wherein the OIC Information Ministers “reiterate the importance of setting up the OIC satellite channel to share and broadcast useful programmes within the Islamic Ummah and to propagate the true values of Islam”;
- **Based on** Resolution 4/44-INF on “Reaffirmation of the Resolutions of the 11th Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers held in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 21 December 2016”, during the 44<sup>th</sup> session of the Islamic Council of Foreign Ministers, held in Abidjan on 10 and 11 July 2017;
- **Based on** Resolution 7/11-INF on the “Progress toward the Launch of the OIC Satellite Channel”, adopted by the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers’ 11<sup>th</sup> session held in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 21 December 2016 (Session of the New Media to Counter Terrorism and Islamophobia);
- **Based on** Resolution 1/43-INF regarding “Progress toward the Launch of the OIC Satellite Channel”, issued by the Council of Foreign Ministers in its 43rd session (Session of Education and Enlightenment – Path to Peace and Creativity), which took place in Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan, on 18-19 October 2016;
- **Commending** Resolution 2/10-INF on Supporting the Launch of the OIC Online Channel, adopted issued by the 10<sup>th</sup> session of the Standing Committee for Information and Cultural Affairs (COMIAC), which was held in Dakar, Republic of Senegal, on 27- 28 April 2015;
- **Based on** Resolution 6/10-INF on the “Progress toward the Launch of the OIC Satellite Channel”, issued by the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers in its 10<sup>th</sup> session (Session of Media Convergence for Peace and Calm in the Muslim World), held in Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran, on 3-4 December 2014;

- **Taking note** of the adoption by the Council of Foreign Ministers at its 43<sup>rd</sup> Session in Tashkent of the feasibility study for launching the OIC satellite channel prepared by leading expert houses, with reservations on the financial aspect, based on the recommendation of the second open-ended meeting of the Member States on launching the satellite channel, which was held at the expert level at the headquarters of the General Secretariat in Jeddah on May 11, 2016, and supporting the resolution of the Council of Foreign Ministers to approve the launch of the satellite channel.
- **Recalling** Resolution 8/9-INF on Launching the OIC Satellite Channel, issued by the 9th session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers (Libreville, Republic of Gabon, 19-20 April 2012), which approved in principle the project of launching an OIC satellite channel under the OIC umbrella, and which had been adopted by the CFM sessions held in the Republic of Djibouti on 15-17 November 2012, in Conakry, the Republic of Guinea on 9-11 December 2013, in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 18-19 June 2014, and in the State of Kuwait on 27-28 May 2015;
- **Taking note of** the two open-ended expert-group meetings on the launch of the OIC Satellite Channel, held at the OIC headquarters in Jeddah, on 23-24 February 2013 and 11 May 2016 respectively; the four meetings of the ad hoc committee, following up the finalization of the launch of the OIC Satellite Channel, comprising Afghanistan, Iran, Türkiye, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Gabon, Palestine, Qatar, Egypt, Mauritania and the OIC General Secretariat, held to discuss the project and its feasibility study, on 12 May 2013, 10 March 2015, 20 October 2015, and 11 May 2016 respectively;
- **Noting** that nearly eight years have passed since the last meeting of the committee concerned with the aforementioned OIC channel and the emergence of new challenges and different public trends, which requires a review of its findings in light of the rapid developments in the field of media and its modern technologies,
- **Based** on Paragraph No. 257 of the Banjul Final Communiqué issued by the 15<sup>TH</sup> Session of the Islamic Summit Conference held in Banjul, Republic of the Gambia, on May 4-5, 2024, which affirms that the media, including social media, is the most effective tool and source for disseminating information and forming public opinion, which acknowledges the decisive role that it can play to highlight the tolerance of the Islamic religion and stresses the central role of these media in the field of following up and disseminating news on the issues of the Islamic world, and what it calls for in directing attention and saving effort and money on improving social communication and supporting efforts in this regard, instead of supporting traditional media outlets, which have become widespread these days and do not receive the follow-up and attention of many age segments of society as these modern media enjoy.
  1. **Commends** the Member States and the OIC General Secretariat for their efforts to launch the OIC satellite channel, through several expert-group meetings both of the Member States and of the ad hoc select follow-up committee on the conclusion of the launching process;
  2. **Calls for** consideration of the possibility of launching an OIC channel on the OIC website, taking into account the steady decline in the role of satellite media compared to digital media that relies on social media and the Internet and the large public following it;
  3. **Commends** the General Secretariat's efforts to create an OIC Web TV streaming channel to broadcast its recorded conferences, meetings, programmes and activities as well as the statements of the Secretary General on certain occasions, meetings with officials, short

thematic videos, cultural and economic programmes, etc., pending the actual launch of the satellite channel; and **calls on** the General Secretariat to explore all possible means to secure the necessary financial resources for the launch of this project;

4. **Calls for** a focus on enhancing dissemination and developing the content of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation's means of communication and increasing the effectiveness of the organization's channel on the Internet until the feasibility of launching the OIC satellite channel is reconsidered, and replace this project by focusing on modern technologies in the field of digital and electronic media through the Internet and various social media and benefiting from the experiences of international organizations in this field, in response to the rapid changes in this field;
5. **Invites** the OIC institutions to provide the General Secretariat's Information Department with presentational videos on their work, programmes and activities, to post them on the OIC Channel. **also calls** for an innovative, contemporary and quality- driven editorial policy for the channel's content;
6. **Calls for** the OIC Member States to commence the OIC News Bulletin to keep the people informed on the developments taking place under the OIC banner;
7. **Invites** the OIC institutions to provide the General Secretariat's Information Department with presentational videos on their work, programmes and activities, to post them on the OIC Channel;
8. **Requests** the OIC Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this resolution and to report thereon to the Council's 51<sup>th</sup> session.

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**RESOLUTION No. 8/50-INF  
ON  
RATIFICATION OF THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE**

**Adopted by the Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers  
under the Theme: The Israeli Occupying Authority’s Disinformation and Hostilities  
against Journalists and Media Outlets in the Occupied Palestinian Territory  
held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 24 February 2024**

*The Fiftieth Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (Developing Intra-OIC Transportation and Communication Infrastructure: Key Instrument for Combating Poverty and Insecurity) held in Yaoundé, Republic of Cameroon, on 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 (25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Muharram, 1446H),*

**Recalling** the outcomes of the extraordinary session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers under the theme: “The Israeli occupying authority’s disinformation and hostilities against journalists and media outlets in the Occupied Palestinian Territory”, held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye on 24 February 2024;

**Having considered** the report of the Secretary-General on Information Affairs submitted to the 50<sup>th</sup> session of the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers;

1. **Endorses** the Final Communique issued by the Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers under the theme: “The Israeli occupying authority’s disinformation and hostilities against journalists and media outlets in the Occupied Palestinian Territory”, held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye on 24 February 2024;
2. **Requests** the Secretary General to follow up on the implementation of this resolution, and report thereon to the 51<sup>st</sup> Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.



*Final Communiqué  
Of the  
Extraordinary Session of Islamic Conference of Information Ministers of the  
Member States of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation*

*Under the theme: “The Israeli Occupying Authority’s Disinformation and  
Hostilities against Journalists and Media Outlets in the Occupied Palestinian  
Territory”*

*Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye*

*24 February 2024*

*Final Communiqué*

*of the Extraordinary Session of Islamic Conference of Information Ministers of the Member States of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation*

*Under the theme: “The Israeli Occupying Authority’s Disinformation and Hostilities against Journalists and Media Outlets in the Occupied Palestinian Territory”*

*Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye*

*24 February 2024*

We, the Information Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Member States, bound by the OIC Charter, strong religious, human, and historical ties, participating in the Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Information Ministers held in Istanbul, Republic of Türkiye, on 24 February 2024,

**Reaffirming** all resolutions of the OIC regarding the Palestine Question in particular the joint Arab and Islamic Extraordinary Summit on the Israeli Aggression against the Palestinian people, held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia on 11 November 2023,

**Recalling** all resolutions of the United Nations and other international organizations regarding the Palestine Question, which affirm the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination, freedom, and national independence,

**Welcoming** the United Nations General Assembly Resolution No. A/ES-10/L.27 titled “Protection of civilians and upholding legal and humanitarian obligations” adopted by the 10th Emergency Special Session on 10 December 2023,

**Reaffirming** our determination to amplify our voices in every platform to support the inalienable rights of the brotherly Palestinian people in the face of Israel’s barbaric oppression and attacks, and to enhance our efforts to alleviate the suffering of the Palestinian people in the Palestinian territory, especially in Gaza Strip,

**Welcoming** the provisional measures ordered by the ICJ against Israel, the occupying power, to refrain from genocidal acts and other violations of the Genocide convention, issued on 26 January 2024.

**Supporting** the Palestinian people’s legitimate struggle to liberate their occupied territory and to fulfill all their inalienable rights, especially their right to self-determination and to live in their independent state, with full sovereignty, along the borders of June 4, 1967, with Al-Quds Al-Sharif as its capital,

**Emphasizing** that resolving the Palestine Question on the basis of the two-state solution is the only way for durable, comprehensive and lasting peace and security in the region,

**Condemning and warning** against the disinformation campaigns run by the occupying Israeli authorities to legitimize the occupation and justify the barbaric mass atrocities and war crimes in the Gaza Strip,

**Being concerned that** Israel, the occupying power, is seeking to conceal and belie the truth about the unfolding atrocities in the Gaza Strip, including murdering babies, children, women, the elderly journalists, healthcare workers, academics, and humanitarian workers through including by systematic disinformation campaigns,

**Holding** Israel, the occupying power, responsible for the killings, arrest and censorship of journalists as well as the murder and targeting their family members,

**Recalling** that Israel's intentional attacks on journalists have killed over 120, with numerous others sustaining injuries or disappeared,

**Emphasizing** the utmost significance of our efforts to build resilience against disinformation campaigns run by Israel, the occupying power, or its enablers, and noting that the information environment is filled with false narratives that obfuscate the truth and deflect from the systematic and pervasive breaches of international law,

**Stressing** that protecting the rights of members of the press working in Palestine, particularly under the dire circumstances in Gaza Strip, is a responsibility borne by all:

- **Condemn** the ongoing military aggression launched by Israel, the occupying Power, against the Palestinian people as well as its systematic oppression, massacre, and genocide of Palestinians civilians in the Gaza Strip since October 7, 2023, and in the occupied West Bank including Al-Quds Al-Sharif, and call for an unconditional cease-fire to prevent further loss of life,
- **Condemn** the Israeli occupation's systematic misinformation campaigns and spreading of false and misleading information and fake news to cover its brutality and genocidal massacres committed in the Gaza Strip,
- **Condemn** the Israeli occupation's deliberate and systematic targeting of Palestinian journalists, and stress that this is part of a campaign to silence the voices of truth-tellers.
- **Reiterate** that the only path for peace and security is through the realization of the Palestinian people's inalienable rights, including in particular, national independence and sovereignty of the State of Palestine with Al-Quds Al-Sharif as its capital,
- **Call upon** all countries to recognize the sovereign independent State of Palestine based on the borders of 1967 with East Al-Quds as its capital, being a prerequisite for the peaceful resolution of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict and buttress peace and security in the region,
- **Determine** to work collectively and closely at the international level to combat disinformation, and demonstrate our common will to act in solidarity and unison to expose indiscriminate attacks targeting Palestinian civilians, including settler terrorism in the West Bank, which aim to cause forced displacement of the Palestinian people,
- **Emphasize** our collective determination to counter and expose attempts by the Israeli colonial occupation to cover up the destruction in the field by intimidating journalists to minimize the international reaction, and to ensure that their efforts to cover up the war crimes and genocide committed in the Gaza Strip fails,

- **Condemn** that Israeli occupation forces are unwilling to take even the most basic steps to ensure the safety of journalists according to the IHL and other international instruments that guarantee and protects journalists' rights,
- **Emphasize** that the international community has the right to know what is happening in the Palestinian territory in particular in Gaza Strip and underline the need for the international community to act immediately to hold Israel, the occupying power, accountable for violating international law for targeting journalists and to take immediate steps to protect all journalists assigned in the region,
- **Condemn** Israel, the occupying power, for targeting the telecommunication system and maintenance staff in the Gaza Strip,
- **Call on** all international news organizations and media outlets to expose the Israeli occupation's human rights violations and campaigns against journalists
- **Support** the efforts of the OIC General Secretariat in implementing operative paragraph No. 10 of the resolution issued by the Extraordinary Joint Arab and Islamic Summit to consider the Israeli aggression against the Palestinian people, held in Riyadh on November 11, 2023, which mandates the two General Secretariats to establish two media monitoring units to document all the crimes of the occupation authorities against the Palestinian people, and digital media platforms to lay bare the Israeli illegal and inhuman practices.
- **Mandate** the OIC General Secretariat's Media Monitoring Unit to devise a media action plan, in cooperation with OIC media institutions and interested national news agencies of member states, with a view to lay bare and counter the Israeli occupation's disinformation, misinformation, false news and war crimes, at international fora.
- **Provide** support for the OIC media Monitoring Unit to organize a media workshop to accomplish its mission as stipulated by the joint Arab and Islamic Summit held in Riyadh on 11 November 2023.
- **Support** the efforts of the OIC media Monitoring Unit to combat the Israeli occupation's disinformation, misinformation, false news and war crimes, through digital communications platforms such as social media and artificial intelligence tools.
- **Affirm** our categorical rejection of the false allegations made by the Israeli occupation authorities towards the international media that publishes Israel's violations and crimes against Palestinian civilians and its attempts to distort and convey false facts about the ongoing Israeli brutal aggression since October 07, 2023.
- **Affirm** our condemnation and denunciation of the deliberate and systematic targeting by the Israeli occupation authorities of media professionals, including killing and injuring them, which is a grave violation of international law and International Humanitarian law.
- **Call on** the international community to open an immediate investigation leading to holding the Israeli occupation authorities accountable for the crimes they commit against media professionals in the occupied Palestinian territory.

- **Express** gratitude and appreciation to the Republic of Türkiye for its generous hospitality and warm welcome, and for the excellent arrangements made for the Extraordinary Session.
- **Mandate** the Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to follow-up on the implementation of this Communique and submit a report thereon to the next Council of Foreign Ministers.

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