## RESOLUTION 1/1-ICMYS ADOPTED BY THE FIRST ISLAMIC CONFERENCE OF YOUTH AND SPORTS MINISTERS

The First Session of the Islamic Conference of Youth and Sports Ministers, held in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 24-25 Safar 1426H (3-4 April 2005),

<u>Recalling</u> the Charter of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) and all OIC regulations and bylaws;

Recalling and hailing the efforts of HRH the late Prince Faisal Bin Fahd Bin Abdulaziz, May Allah grant him mercy, towards preparations for this conference;

<u>Recalling also</u> the resolutions adopted by Islamic Summit Conferences and Islamic Conferences of Foreign Ministers on the Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation (ISSF) and on the education and training of Muslim youth;

Affirming the need for future institutional cooperation and coordination among Islamic States on issues of relevance to youth and sports in accordance with resolutions of the Islamic Summit Conferences;

<u>Having considered</u> the Report submitted by the OIC Secretary-General on the subject;

<u>Having considered</u> the Report submitted by the ISSF Secretary-General on preparations for the First Session of the Islamic Conference of Youth and Sports Ministers (ICYSM);

<u>Having heard</u> the outstanding report by the representative of the President General for Youth Affairs on preparations for the 1<sup>st</sup> Islamic Solidarity Games;

<u>Having considered</u> with profound gratitude and appreciation the document prepared by the ISSF experts to enrich the basic themes contained in the report of the Intergovernmental Experts;

<u>Having considered</u> the working paper submitted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia entitled: "The Muslim Youth and Future Challenges";

## Decides the following:

- 1- To adopt the Report prepared by the Intergovernmental Group of Experts and the additions contained in the document prepared by the Ad-hoc Working Group on Enriching the Themes contained in the Report, taking into account the observations of heads of participating delegations at the 1<sup>st</sup> Islamic Conference of Youth and Sports Ministers on improving the content of the Report, particularly the aspect concerning introduction of the issue of environment in school curricula.
- 2- To adopt the decision to convene a regular session of the Islamic Conference of Youth and Sports Ministers (ICYSM) every two years, with the Islamic Solidarity and Sports Federation assuming the functions of the Secretariat.
- 3- To entrust the ISSF General Secretariat with preparing a Draft Strategy and Plan of Action for Sports Activities in collaboration with the OIC General Secretariat, the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO) and other relevant bodies.
- 4- To invite Member States to extend necessary financial assistance to the Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation with a view to promoting its activities to meet the desired objectives along the lines of the OIC system and to recommend to the OIC General Secretariat to develop the necessary mechanisms for this subject.
- 5- To welcome the Working Paper submitted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on "The Muslim Youth and Future Challenges" and adopt the proposed mechanisms contained therein for advancing, protecting and strengthening the position of the Muslim youth in the society, and to constitute a Ministerial Committee composed of four states selected from: (Asia, Africa, a Member State of the Gulf Cooperation Council and a Member of the League of Arab States), to be chaired by His Royal Highness Prince Nawaf Bin Faisal Bin Fahd Bin Abdulaziz, to activate the proposals contained in the working paper submitted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
- 6- To welcome also the offer made by the Islamic Republic of Iran to host the Islamic Solidarity Games in 2009 and invites all Member States of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to participate in these games.
- 7- To encourage the establishment of Science Clubs, given their importance in today's world, to cater to talented and creative Muslim youths in all scientific fields.
- 8- To welcome the Islamic Conference Youth Forum to become a leading institution in the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

- 9- To affirm the need to prepare a draft professional code of conduct on youth and sports information.
- 10- **To invite** Member States to formulate their youth plans within the framework of the Cultural Strategy of the Muslim World and its Implementation Mechanisms developed by the OIC General Secretariat and ISESCO and adopted by the 6<sup>th</sup> Islamic Summit Conference in Dakar
- 11- To affirm the importance of promoting and unifying efforts of Member States for greater attention to youth issues and for providing the necessary financial appropriations to develop projects and programmes for the benefit of the youth.
- 12- To affirm the need for complementarity between Ministries of Youth and Sports and Ministries of Education, Culture, Information, Waqf and Religious Guidance in the sports, cultural, educational and religious care of youth.
- To encourage Member States to increase their efforts and accelerate the spiritual, intellectual and physical empowerment of the youth, particularly the female youth, in accordance with modern standards while respecting religious and cultural principles and values with a view to promoting and coordinating their effective participation in political, social and economic lives of their societies.
- 14- To commend the ratification by the United Nations General Assembly of the initiative of the Republic of Tunisia to adopt the Year 2005 as the International Year for Physical Education in Support of World Peace, and to invite Member States to contribute to the implementation of this resolution by executing programmes and activities in the field.
- 15- To commend highly the efforts of HRH the late Prince Faisal Bin Fahd Bin Abdulaziz (May Ally grant him mercy) and of Their Royal Highnesses Prince Sultan Bin Fahd Bin Abdulaziz and Prince Nawwaf Bin Faisal Bin Fahd Bin Abdulaziz for their attention to youth activities and sports development in the Islamic world.
- To express profound gratitude to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Fahd Bin Abdulaziz, to his loyal Crown Prince and First Deputy His Royal Highness Prince Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz, and to the Second Deputy His Royal Highness Prince Sultan Bin Abdulaziz for the kind hosting by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia of the 1st Islamic Conference of Youth and Sports Ministers and the 1st Edition of the Islamic Solidarity Games.

- 17- To commend the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference for its outstanding contribution towards the convening of the 1<sup>st</sup> Islamic Conference of Youth and Sports Ministers.
- 18- To thank the General Secretariat of the Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation for its efforts towards the success of the proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> Islamic Conference of Youth and Sports Ministers and for organizing the First Edition of the Islamic Solidarity Games.

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