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First: On March 16, 2023, the OIC Six-Party Committee on the Question of Palestine met on the sidelines of the 49th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (CFM) of the OIC Member States held in Nouakchott, Islamic Republic of Mauritania, headed by H.E. Hissein Brahim Taha, the OIC Secretary-General.

Second: The meeting was attended by Their Excellencies the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Committee:

- Islamic Republic of Pakistan,
- Republic of Senegal,
- Republic of Guinea,
- State of Palestine,
- Malaysia,

The following Member States attended as invitees:

- Republic of Türkiye
- Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
- Kingdom of Morocco

Third: The Secretary-General opened the meeting with a speech in which he affirmed the OIC firm position on the issue of Palestine and Al-Quds Ash-Sharif. He called for concerted efforts and building on the positions of countries adhering to the values of justice and the principles of international law toward moving forward in activating practical diplomatic and legal steps in the international arena, including the current move at the International Court of Justice. The Secretary-General stressed the importance of the Member States submitting written statements, oral pleadings, and financial contributions that support this endeavor to support the rights of the Palestinian people and end the Israeli colonial occupation, which is illegal and illegitimate under international law and resolutions of international legitimacy.

Fourth: The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Palestine delivered a speech that included an additional presentation of the dangerous situation in the occupied Palestinian territory as a result of the escalation of Israeli crimes, aggressions, and violations against the Palestinian people, their land, and their sanctities, stressing the need for the OIC Member States to stand firmly with the rights of the Palestinian people by rejecting and condemning and confronting all policies of the Israeli occupation. He also gave a brief presentation on the Palestinian movements in the international arena, appreciating the positions of the countries that participated in supporting and sponsoring draft resolutions in the General Assembly, including the recent resolution requesting the International Court of Justice to issue an advisory opinion on the nature of the Israeli

occupation and the legal implications of the long-term occupation, annexation, and responsibility of the international community about this. He stressed the need for the Member States to adhere to the OIC resolutions, specifically to support those related to the Palestinian cause. He called on the OIC Member States to provide written statements, oral pleadings, and financial contributions to support this important endeavor.

Fifth: The Committee members delivered speeches in which they affirmed the solidarity of their countries and their unconditional support for the rights of the Palestinian people and their just cause, stressing the importance of strengthening the OIC role in the international arena toward supporting all Palestinian endeavors and efforts aimed at establishing and defending the rights of the Palestinian people, confronting and condemning the policies of the Israeli occupation, and mobilizing the international community to shoulder its responsibilities towards taking measures to implement United Nations resolutions, providing international protection for the Palestinian people, preserving the historical and legal status of the sanctities in Al-Quds Ash-Sharif, holding Israel accountable for its violations and continuing crimes, and resuming the peace process under multilateral international auspices as per international terms of reference, international legitimacy resolutions, and the Arab Peace Initiative.

Sixth: The Committee made the following recommendations to the CFM 49th Session:

1. The meeting confirmed all resolutions on Palestine, Al-Quds, and the Arab-Israeli conflict issued by successive sessions of the Islamic Summit Conference, the CFM, and the Al-Quds Committee.
2. The meeting renewed its condemnation of the ongoing Israeli crimes, attacks, and violations throughout the occupied Palestinian territory, including the Holy City of Al-Quds, especially the crimes of murder, acts of terrorism, burning of property, and house demolitions, which are constantly escalating at the hands of the Israeli occupation army and terrorist settler groups, specifically in the cities of Jerusalem, Nablus, Jenin, Jericho, and Hawara, which led to the death of more than 85 martyrs and the wounding of hundreds of Palestinian citizens since the beginning of the year.
3. The meeting affirmed support for Palestinian efforts and endeavors in the international arena to achieve justice, provide international protection for the Palestinian people and establish their legitimate rights, hold the Israeli occupation accountable for its crimes and continuous violations, and launch a political process under multilateral international sponsorship based on international legitimacy and leading to ending the Israeli occupation and establishing the independent State of Palestine on the 1967 borders, with Al-Quds Ash-Sharif as its capital.
4. The meeting welcomed the adoption by the 77th Session of the United Nations General Assembly of a resolution requesting a legal advisory opinion from the International Court of Justice on the nature of the Israeli colonial occupation of the land of the State of Palestine, including the city of Al-Quds, and the legal implications of this situation for all countries and the United Nations. It invited the Member States to provide written statements and oral arguments before the International Court of Justice and support the State of Palestine and the OIC General Secretariat in this endeavor, including through urgent financial contributions.

5. The meeting emphasized the need to follow up on the implementation of United Nations resolutions on Palestine and Al-Quds, including the provision of international protection for the Palestinian people, and called on the High Contracting Parties to the Fourth Geneva Convention to exert all efforts to ensure that Israel, the occupying power, is fully committed to the provisions of the Fourth Geneva Convention in the occupied Palestinian territories, including Al-Quds Ash-Sharif.
6. The meeting emphasized the importance of the commitment of the OIC Member States to support resolutions on the Palestinian cause and to vote in favor of them in international organizations
7. The meeting called upon the Committee members to develop a diplomatic action plan as soon as possible to raise the Palestinian issue, precisely the recent challenges it faces, in decision-making capitals, in cooperation with the State of Palestine.
8. The meeting assigned the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures to follow up on the implementation of these recommendations, including coordination with the League of Arab States, the African Union, the Non-Aligned Movement, the European Union, the United Nations, and its specialized agencies, regarding the issue of Palestine and Al-Quds Ash-Sharif.