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RESOLUTION

ON

INFORMATION TECHNOLGY

SUBMITTED TO THE

43RD SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS

(SESSION OF EDUCATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT-PATH TO PEACE AND CREATIVITY)

TASHKENT, REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

(18-19 OCTOBER 2016) (17-18 MUHARRAM 1438H)

Resolution No. 1/43-IT On Consolidating OIC's Position to Preserve gTLDs with Islamic Identity

The Forty-third Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (Session of Education and Enlightenment: Path to Peace and Creativity) held in Tashkent, Republic of Uzbekistan, on 18-19 October 2016 (17-18 Muharram 1438H);

Recalling Resolution 01/42-IT on "Consolidating OIC's Position to preserve gTLDs with Islamic Identity";

Considering the fact that new gTLDs with Islamic identity are of such sensitive nature as they concern the entire Islamic Ummah;

Taking cognizance of the efforts exerted by the OIC General Secretariat to coordinate Member States positions on this matter;

Recalling the OIC member states which are also members of ICANN were called upon to support United Arab Emirates' position and the measures it took to ban the sale of the two domains *.Islam*' and *.halal*' or any other domains which concern the entire Islamic Ummah.

Underscoring the need for OIC Member States to formulate a unified position with regard to their policies and mechanisms to manage the use of gTLDs with Islamic identity and prevent their misuse;

Expressing its concern that the registration of any domain names under top-level domains must ensure to a large extent that no community, segment or religion is offended;

Having considered the report of the Secretary General in this regard,

- 1. **Requests** the OIC General Secretariat to finalize, as soon as possible, the study on how to manage gTLDs with Islamic identity and submit it to the member states for their views.
- 2. Urges OIC Member States which have not yet joined ICANN to do so, in the preparation for transition to an international organization.
- 3. **Reconfirms** OIC position that the two domains .Islam and .Halal or any other domains, which concern the entire Islamic Ummah, should not be sold without a coordinated consent of all the OIC Member States.
- 4. **Commends** the United Arab Emirates in its capacity as member of the High-Level consultative Committee, chaired by the president of Estonia, entrusted, with presenting recommendations on changing ICANN to an international organization and

which held its 3rd meeting on 3rd & 4th of May 2014, in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates.

- 5. **Invites** the General Secretariat to follow up its efforts aimed at establishing a database dedicated to this matter and to present semiannual reports in this regard.
- 6. **Invites** all concerned telecommunication regularity authorities and providers in OIC Member States to hold meetings to deliberate and come up with a unified position on matters related to ICANN.
- 7. **Requests** the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this resolution and to submit a report thereon to the 43rd Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers.
