

FINAL RESOLUTIONS OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ISLAMIC ORGANIZATION FOR FOOD SECURITY (IOFS)

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RESOLUTION № IOFS/2022/5GA-1 ON

NOTE OF THANKS AND APPRECIATION ON BEHALF OF MEMBER STATES AND SECRETARIAT OF THE ISLAMIC ORGANIZATION FOR FOOD SECURITY

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in Tunis, the Republic of Tunisia, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Taking into</u> consideration the gracious decision of the Republic of Tunisia to host the Fifth Session of the General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security,

<u>Cognizant</u> of the elaborate arrangements made for the success of the General Assembly,

1. **Expresses deepest appreciation and gratitude** to His Excellency Prof. Kaïs Saïed, President of the Republic of Tunisia, and Her Excellency Mrs. Najla Bouden Romdhane the Head of Government of the Republic of Tunisia for hospitality and facilities provided to host online the Fifth General Assembly of Islamic Organization for Food Security technically in the best conditions.

RESOLUTION № IOFS/2022/5GA-2 ON ELECTION OF THE BUREAU OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ISLAMIC ORGANIZATION FOR FOOD SECURITY

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Pursuant to Article 10 (2a) of the IOFS Statute, hereby:

- 1. Elects the Republic of Tunisia as the Chairman of General Assembly;
- 2. <u>Also elects</u> the following countries as the Vice-Chairmen of the General Assembly:
 - 2.1. Islamic Republic of Iran (Vice-Chairman);
 - 2.2. Federal Republic of Nigeria (Vice-Chairman);
 - 2.3. State of Palestine (Rapporteur).

RESOLUTION № 10FS/2022/5GA-5 ON

ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE ISLAMIC ORGANIZATION FOR FOOD SECURITY

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Expresses high appreciation and gratitude to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, the Republic of Turkiye and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for their loyal service as the members of the Executive Board in two consecutive terms.

Pursuant to Articles 10 (2b) and 12 (1) of the IOFS Statute,

Taking into consideration the possibility to re-elect existing membership of the Executive Board of the Organization, hereby:

- 1. **Reconstitute** the Executive Board of IOFS for a term of three years as follows:
 - 1.1. State of Qatar
 - 1.2. United Arab Emirates
 - 1.3. Republic of Tajikistan
 - 1.4. Islamic Republic of Pakistan
 - 1.5. Republic of Cameroon
 - 1.6. Republic of The Gambia
 - 1.7. Republic of Kazakhstan Permanent Member
 - 1.8. Director-General of IOFS (Non-Voting Member)
- 2. **Also elects** the State of Qatar as the Chairman of the Executive Board of IOFS.

RESOLUTION № IOFS/2022/5GA-6 ON MEMBERSHIP AND INTERNATIONAL MATTERS

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in Tunis, the Republic of Tunisia, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

Emphasizing the Resolutions # 1/48-E and # 6/48-E of the 48th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers held in Islamabad, Islamic Republic of Pakistan on 22-23 March 2022,

<u>Appreciating</u> OIC Member States and institutions for collaboration in implementing the various programmes of IOFS geared towards scaling up intra-OIC action for increased food security, productivity, and resilience in the OIC Member States,

- 1. **Salutes** the ratification of IOFS Statute by the Republic of Tajikistan and **expresses gratitude** to the Republic of Chad for signing the IOFS Statute;
- 2. Welcomes and approves Turkmenistan's status as an observer of the IOFS;
- 3. **Invites** OIC Member States, which have not yet done so, to sign and ratify the Statute of IOFS;
- 4. **Notes with satisfaction** the conducted work upon collaboration between the relevant institutions of the Member States and those of the OIC active in the field of food security and **approves** Memorandums of Understanding earlier concluded with various institutions.

RESOLUTION № 10FS/2022/5GA-7 ON FINANCIAL AND GOVERNANCE MATTERS

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in Tunis, the Republic of Tunisia, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Pursuant</u> to the relevant provisions of the IOFS Statute and Financial Regulations,

<u>Commending</u> the mandatory contributions received from the esteemed Republic of Kazakhstan, the United Arab Emirates, the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Republic of Turkiye, the Arab Republic of Egypt, the State of Qatar, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabi, the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the Republic of Tajikistan.

<u>Appreciating</u> the well-done job of the Financial Control Committee made up of representatives from the Republic of Kazakhstan, the United Arab Emirates and the People's Republic of Bangladesh,

- 1. **Highly appreciates** the performed transfers of mandatory contributions of the esteemed IOFS Member States mentioned above in the preamble to the budget of IOFS:
- 2. **Approves** the financial situation upon the budget and the closing accounts including:
 - a. Financial Control Committee Report 2021
 - b. Financial Statements Report for 2021
 - c. Budget for 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
 - d. IOFS Reserve Account Policy
- 3. Calls all Member States to consider supporting IOFS strongly by allocating considerable amount of their voluntary contributions given for the purpose of the food security to international organizations, in order to provide the Organization with enough financial resources to implement relevant projects for enhancing food security and agricultural development in OIC Member States;
- 4. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № 10FS/2022/5GA-8 ON SUPPORT OF OIC FOOD SECURITY RESERVES

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in Tunis, the Republic of Tunisia, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Referring</u> to relevant provisions of the IOFS Statute on drawing up the general policy of the Organization, particularly the one on the creation of Food Security Reserves,

<u>Recalling</u> Resolutions adopted by the 4th General Assembly of IOFS held online in Nur-Sultan, the Republic of Kazakhstan, on 08-09 September 2021,

<u>Cognizant</u> of the mandate by the 8th OIC Ministerial Conference on Food Security and Agricultural Development, held on 24-25 October 2021 in Istanbul, Republic of Turkiye, for the IOFS to implement all necessary steps towards OIC Food Security Reserve System,

<u>Underscoring and highly appreciating</u> the important work and efforts the IOFS Secretariat has been undertaking in this regard,

- 1. **Approves** the text of the Memorandum of Understanding on the creation of OIC Food Security Reserves (MOU), as a model template;
- 2. **Invites** the governments of 11 (eleven) sub-regional Member States (Afghanistan, Albania, Azerbaijan, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Türkiye, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan) to consider the formation of a Pilot Regional Food Security Reserve through the signing of a MoU and the formation of a Steering Committee on the basis of which rules governing/regulating the Regional FSR and other necessary decisions would be approved;
- 3. **Requests** the relevant OIC Institutions to provide their economic and financial support, if Member States decide that a feasibility study for Regional FSR is necessary;
- 4. **Emphasizes** the report of the OIC Expert meeting held in Astana, Kazakhstan, on 27-28 September 2022, which states readiness to create the regional Food Security Reserves;
- 5. **Calls** on the Member States to continue coordinating among themselves the establishment of necessary food reserves on national and regional levels in order to minimize the risk of food shortage and increase their food storage capacity;
- 6. **Requests** the IOFS Secretariat to take all necessary steps to ensure that the aims and objectives for the establishment of Pilot Regional FSR are realized, and to report at the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № 10FS/2022/5GA-9 ON ESTABLISHMENT OF "10FS FUND"

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in Tunis, the Republic of Tunisia, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Referring</u> to the Resolution No IOFS/GA/1-13-2019 of the 2^{nd} General Assembly and relevant provisions of the IOFS Statute on drawing up the general policy of the Organization, particularly the one related with establishing Institutions to be a subsidiary of IOFS.

Recalling the *IOFS VISION 2031 for Enabling a Sustainable OIC Food System*, adopted by the Fourth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held online in Nur-Sultan, the Republic of Kazakhstan, on 08-09 September 2021/01-02 Safar, 1443H,

<u>Taking into account</u> the need to increase intra-OIC economic cooperation particularly in the field of agricultural development and food security with emphasis on joint funding and structuring food supply chains among OIC Member States,

- 1. **Expresses appreciation** to the Secretariat of IOFS and the international consultants' consortium for completing detailed feasibility study;
- 2. **Adopts** the "Grain Fund" feasibility study prepared by a consortium of international consultants and in accordance with the operating nature indicated therein renames it as the "IOFS Fund":
- 3. **Requests** the IOFS Secretariat to elaborate on location of the newly established "IOFS Fund" and provision of all necessary institutional and logistical arrangements for its proper operationalization;
- 4. **Underscores** that the "IOFS Fund" may be an important tool for Member States to avoid different factors that destabilize the grain/food market price policy, while reducing vulnerability and dependency on volatile global food prices and agriculture by increasing OIC agri-food production system and building up intra-OIC food supply chains;
- 5. **Stresses** that the "IOFS Fund" may strengthen partnerships with national and Islamic financial institutions of Member States towards "IOFS Vision 2031" and effective implementation of the strategic programmes framework;
- 6. **Encourages** the Member States, the Islamic Development Bank Group and other relevant OIC Institutions to identify key areas of cooperation and provide necessary technical assistance and financial support to the new IOFS Fund;
- 7. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № 10FS/2022/5GA-8 ON

ESTABLISHMENT OF SHEEP FARMING FUND AS PART OF IOFS LIVESTOCK ECOSYSTEM

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in Tunis, the Republic of Tunisia, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Referring</u> to relevant provisions of the IOFS Statute on drawing up the general policy of the Organization, particularly the one related with establishing Institutions to be subsidiary to IOFS,

Recalling the *IOFS VISION 2031 for Enabling a Sustainable OIC Food System*, adopted by the Fourth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held online in Nur-Sultan, the Republic of Kazakhstan, on 08-09 September 2021/01-02 Safar, 1443H,

<u>Taking into account</u> that the global demand for animal products would grow further in the next decades due to expanding human populations and the average increase of meat consumption per person, consequently, livestock may play a critical role in alleviating hunger and malnutrition in OIC Member States,

<u>Bearing in mind</u> that livestock production in the OIC geography is an important subsector of the agricultural industry and makes a significant contribution to the national economies of Member States,

- 1. **Agrees** with the establishment of the Sheep Farming Fund (SFF) within the framework of the Livestock Ecosystem as developed by the IOFS in cooperation with the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and **encourages** the Member States to assist the Organization throughout the whole establishment process and functioning of such export-oriented structures;
- 2. **Welcomes** IOFS assistance to Member States in the sustainable development of livestock sector by expanding its conceptual vision "From gene to fork" modality, promotion of constant cooperation of Member States on various fields of livestock development through Centers of Excellence at regional level, facilitation of the exchange of knowledge and experience among research institutes, encouraging joint research activities and programs, supporting livestock farming through the use of advanced digital and information technologies and increase of its export capacity;
- 3. **Lauds** SFF for being a platform that may enhance domestic livestock sector for economic development, food security and poverty reduction (with focus on rural areas), growth of intra-OIC livestock production and market through increase of mutual trade and investments, while providing special support to smallholder farmers and livelihoods through sustained IOFS livestock ecosystem;

- 4. **Emphasizes** the importance of increasing of Halal market and cooperation among OIC Member States, which may also be achieved through SFF food safety and assurance mechanisms, and long-term off-take contracts between Member States that are livestock-producing and those that are livestock-consuming, while contributing for price stability of Halal meat in the OIC geography;
- 5. **Decides** that as per all arrangements started in 2022, the pilot project is to be launched in the IOFS Hosting country with further replication to other livestock rich OIC Member States, especially in Africa;
- 6. **Encourages** the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) and other OIC Islamic financial institutions to identify key areas of cooperation and provide necessary financial support through the SFF;
- 7. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № 10FS/2022/5GA-9 ON

SUPPORT TO AFGHANISTAN FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM AND YEAR OF AFRICA COMPLEX PROGRAMMES

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<u>Pursuant</u> to the 2nd Statutory Goal of the IOFS and referring to relevant provisions of the IOFS Statute on drawing up the general policy of the Organization, particularly the one related with determining and making necessary emergency and humanitarian assistance,

Referring also to the mandate by the 17th Extraordinary Session of the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers on the Situation in Afghanistan, held on 19 December 2021 in Islamabad, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, for the IOFS to implement the Afghanistan Food Security Programs (AFSP),

<u>Recalling</u> the Resolutions adopted by the 4th General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held online in Nur-Sultan, the Republic of Kazakhstan, on 08-09 September 2021,

<u>Taking into account</u> the deliberations of the 5th Meeting of Steering Committee for OIC STI Agenda 2026, held on 24 March 2022 in Islamabad, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, on, inter alia, developing an OIC Plan of Action for Africa, which, coincidently is in line with celebrations of 2022 as "IOFS Year of Africa",

Being appreciative of Member States, the IsDB and other relevant OIC Institutions for supporting the ongoing activities of IOFS,

- 1. **Appreciates** the importance of the *IOFS Official Humanitarian Visit to Afghanistan* on 16-19 April 2022 led by the IOFS Director General as a mean to implement the AFSP, particularly for handing over to the Afghan Minister in-charge of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock, six (06) "Water Cleaning Devices" to be installed in a similar number of most water scarce villages in Afghanistan;
- 2. Expresses high appreciation and gratitude for the generous contributions of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the amount of 100 000 USD and the Republic of Tajikistan in the amount of 10 000 USD to the humanitarian aid for Afghanistan people within immediate response projects under AFSP programme;
- 3. **Invites** Member States to positively respond to various requests by the IOFS Secretariat for providing their generous donations and support for successful AFSP implementation, especially under Immediate Response Stage;
- 4. **Encourages** the IsDB to include IOFS as one of the beneficiaries of the *Afghanistan Humanitarian Trust Fund* to serve as a vehicle to timely channel humanitarian food assistance to Afghanistan;

- 5. **Applauds** the decision of the 8th Executive Board Meeting of IOFS to name 2022 as the "IOFS Year of Africa", and **invites** all Member States and relevant OIC Institutions to actively participate and financially contribute for the successful holding of all related programmes and projects that are to be held in Sub-Saharan African Member States;
- 6. **Welcomes** kicking of the celebration of "2022 IOFS Year of Africa" with the holding of a *Capacity Building for Farmers on Water Management in Agriculture* and a *Workshop on the Development of Databases on Agricultural Statistics*, held as back-to-back events on 16-19 May 2022 in Niamey, Republique of Niger, in partnership with the Permanent Interstate Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS) and Women Development Organization (WDO), and **encourages** the remaining Member States to also host relevant events as part of "2022 IOFS Year of Africa";
- 7. **Calls** for the active support of IOFS by OIC Member States, international donors, the UN Funds and Programmes and other international actors to generously contribute for the successful AFSP implementation as per the clause of 17th Extraordinary Session of the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers 19 December 2021, Islamabad;
- 8. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № 10FS/2022/5GA-14 ON RELOCATION OF INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC FOOD PROCESSING ASSOCIATION

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in Tunis, the Republic of Tunisia, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Recalling</u> the Resolution № IOFS/GA/1-14-2019 of the 2nd IOFS General Assembly and Resolution № IOFS/GA/3-7-2020 of the 3rd IOFS General Assembly,

<u>Acknowledging</u> the importance of engaging with private sector on issues and challenges relevant to food security, upon the institutional B2B mechanisms;

Having considered the report of the Director General on this issue,

- 1. **Decides** to relocate IFPA from AIFC, Astana, the Republic of Kazakhstan and establish it as a subsidiary of IOFS by virtue of Article 2 para 2 of its Statute within the jurisdiction of the United Arab Emirates under common law system;
- 2. **Expresses high appreciation and gratitude** to the general support provided by the government of the United Arab Emirates for the hosting of IFPA;
- 3. **Encourages** Member States to actively participate in providing valuable inputs to establish a mechanism for mutual cooperation with IFPA, and **invites** their national Chambers of Commerce or Food Unions to consider joining IFPA as honorary members towards facilitating leading private food sector companies to become its corporate members;
- 4. **Requests** the IOFS Director General, as the IFPA Chairman, to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № IOFS/2022/5GA-15 ON ADOPTION OF THE ALMATY FORUM DECLARATION

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in Tunis, the Republic of Tunisia, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Referring</u> to relevant IOFS Statutory goals on providing expertise and technical know-how to Member States on various aspects of sustainable agriculture, rural development and food security, as well as mobilizing and managing financial and agricultural resources to enhance sustainable food security,

<u>Recalling</u> the Resolutions adopted by the 4th General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held online in Nur-Sultan, the Republic of Kazakhstan, on 08-09 September 2021,

<u>Referring also</u> to the *IOFS Strategic Vision 2031* adopted within the mentioned 4th General Assembly of the IOFS and to the Report of the 9th Executive Board Meeting of the IOFS on 10 June 2022;

<u>Taking into account</u> the deliberations of the 5th Meeting of Steering Committee for OIC STI Agenda 2026, held on 24 March 2022 in Islamabad, Islamic Republic of Pakistan,

- 1. **Appreciates** the adoption of the "Almaty Forum Declaration" as the outcome document of the IOFS High-Level Forum on Food Security held on 08-09 June 2022 in Almaty Kazakhstan by the government officials of participating OIC Member States, representatives of OIC Institutions, academia, international organizations and private sector that that reaffirmed commitment to the objectives of the IOFS, and support for its initiatives in the areas of food security and agricultural development;
- 2. **Encourages** all IOFS Member States to examine the document and provide their comments by 10 November 2022 for its adoption by this General Assembly meeting;
- 3. **Requests** the IOFS Secretariat to update the document on the base of received comments and accordingly adopt the final version, once the same is circulated to Member States with the request of final position to be stated within 15 days of receipt, without which consent would be registered through silent procedure;
- 4. **Invites** Member States to positively respond to requests by the IOFS Secretariat for successful implementation of the Almaty Forum Declaration;
- 5. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № IOFS/2022/5GA-12 ON

COOPERATION ON CONSERVATION AND USE OF PLANT AND ANIMAL GENETIC RESOURCES

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in Tunis, the Republic of Tunisia, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

Referring to the IOFS Statutory goals on drawing up the general policy of the Organization, particularly the one related with determining and making necessary emergency and humanitarian assistance providing expertise and technical knowhow to member states on various aspects of sustainable agriculture, rural development and food security, as well as mobilizing and managing financial and agricultural resources to enhance food security,

<u>Emphasizing</u> a key role of protecting own genetic resources as a foundation for sustainable food security within the OIC Member States;

<u>Considering</u> the outcomes of the *IOFS High-Level Forum on Food Security* held on 08-09 June 2022 in Almaty, Kazakhstan, which summarized in the "Almaty Forum Declaration";

<u>Recalling</u> the Resolutions adopted by the 4th General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held online in Nur-Sultan, the Republic of Kazakhstan, on 08-09 September 2021,

<u>Taking into account</u> the deliberations of the 5th Meeting of Steering Committee for OIC STI Agenda 2026, held on 24 March 2022 in Islamabad, Islamic Republic of Pakistan,

- 1. **Appreciates** the efforts of the IOFS Secretariat toward the implementation of the IOFS Program "Development of National Gene Banks";
- 2. **Encourages** all IOFS Member States to examine the proposal of the IOFS Secretariat to bring the matter of drafting and signing the Agreement on cooperation in the field of conservation, sustainable use and exchange of plant and animal genetic resources among OIC Member States;
- 3. **Requests** all IOFS Member States to provide their comments on the provisions of the draft Agreement by 11 December 2022;
- 4. **Requests** the IOFS Secretariat to update the document on the base of received comments and provide the latest version for signing during the 9th OIC Ministerial Conference on Food Security and Agricultural Development to be held in 2023:
- 5. **Invites** Member States to actively engage in the implementation of the Program "Development of National Gene Banks" by the IOFS Secretariat, including all related program activities and projects;

- 6. **Requests** the IOFS Member States to consider the information within abovementioned Almaty Forum Declaration on establishing of the International Center for Plant and Animal Genetic Resources under the auspices of the IOFS, which is proposed to be named "IOFS PAGR Center";
- 7. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № IOFS/2022/5GA-13 ON ESTABLISHMENT OF IOFS REGIONAL OFFICES

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in TUNIS, TUNISIA, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Referring</u> to relevant provisions of the IOFS Statute on drawing up the general policy of the Organization, particularly the one related with establishing any Offices outside the IOFS Headquarters,

Bearing in mind the statutory settled mission, aims, and objectives of the IOFS and the Report of the 9th Executive Board Meeting of the IOFS on 10 June 2022,

<u>Alarmed</u> with the further deterioration in acute food insecurity in the wide range of OIC states due to multiple drivers that are interlinked or mutually reinforcing,

Believing in long-term and sustainable regional approach of scaling-up food security systems across the OIC,

<u>Appreciating</u> OIC Member States and institutions for collaboration in implementing the various programmes of IOFS geared towards scaling up intra-OIC action for increased food security, productivity, and resilience in the OIC Member States,

- 1. **Agrees** to start the process of establishing three (03) IOFS Regional Offices to be hosted by OIC Member States in, respectively, Africa, Arab and Asia regions in accordance with OIC regional groupings;
- 2. **Invites** interested Member States to kindly submit their full-fledged applications for hosting IOFS Regional Offices to the IOFS Secretariat at their earliest convenience to permit necessary evaluation and approval by the next Session of the General Assembly;
- 3. **Request** the IOFS Executive Board to elaborate on criteria and concept of the Regional Office set-up;
- 4. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № IOFS/2022/5GA-14 ON INITIATING ANNUAL IOFS CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in TUNIS, TUNISIA, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H,

<u>Referring</u> the Article 07 of the IOFS Statute, particularly on the mandate of establishing closer collaboration with any non-governmental regional and international organizations concerned with agriculture, rural development and food security,

<u>Bearing in mind</u> that policy agendas and commitments begin at the local level, concretely support local actors in emergency and long-term responses and empower local communities to strengthen their own resilience,

<u>Believing</u> of the relevance of critical role of local civil society, women and youth representatives, in responding to the hunger crisis and in building resilience, including the auxiliary role their governments, fostering cooperation and joint action between civil society in the region, peer-to-peer exchange and support,

- 1. **Mandates** IOFS to initiate an Annual Civil Society Forum in strict collaboration and coordination with the Member States;
- 2. **Requests**, in this context, the IOFS Secretariat to explore, discuss and promote local and global solutions and commitments for emergency response, recovery and preparation, and long-term initiatives that address the food security crisis and future risks, sharing experience, challenges, and opportunities with relevant civil society organizations in coordination with the Member States:
- 3. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № 10FS/2022/5GA-15 ON ESTABLISHMENT OF POST OF IOFS EXECUTIVE BOARD HONORARY CHAIRMANSHIP

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in TUNIS, TUNISIA, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Referring</u> to the relevant provisions of the IOFS Statute on drawing up the general policy of the Organization and without changing any of clauses of the Statute;

<u>Bearing in mind</u> the Note Verbale from the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 26th June 2022 with the proposal to establish a post of an Honorary Chairman of the Executive Board,

<u>Striving for</u> a long-term and sustainable prosperity of the Organization towards development of food security systems across the OIC,

- 1. **Decides** to establish a post of an Honorary Chairman of the Executive Board without a voting right;
- 2. **Recognizes and highlights** the exclusive continued support and considerable financial contributions, including voluntary one, provided by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia since the commencement of IOFS operational activities;
- 3. **Approves** the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to be an Honorary Chairman of the Executive Board;
- 4. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.

RESOLUTION № IOFS/2022/5GA-16 ON ESTABLISHMENT OF OIC FOOD SECURITY DAY

The Fifth General Assembly of the Islamic Organization for Food Security (IOFS) held in TUNIS, TUNISIA, on 10-11 October 2022/14-15 Rabi Al-Awwal, 1444H

<u>Referring</u> to relevant provisions of the IOFS Statute on drawing up the general policy of the Organization,

<u>Having the good experience</u> of the United Nations to mark the special dates with OIC in order to promote, through awareness and action, the objectives of the Organization;

Bearing in mind the Report of the 9^{th} Executive Board Meeting of the IOFS on 10 June 2022,

<u>Believing</u> the importance of the empathizing and defining the exact date to promote worldwide awareness and action towards better food security among all OIC Member States;

<u>Taking into account</u> the date of the adoption of the Statute of the IOFS during the 40th Council of Foreign Ministers in Conakry, the Republic of Guinea on 09-11 December 2013,

- 1. **Recommends** marking every 11th December as the OIC FOOD SECURITY DAY starting in the present year of 2022;
- 2. **Proposes** the Chairman of the current Session of IOFS General Assembly to kindly liaise with the OIC General Secretariat towards endorsement of this celebratory date by the 49th Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of OIC in 2023;
- 3. **Requests** the IOFS Secretariat to inform all OIC Member States and Institutions with the recommendation of convening appropriate events to celebrate the date now established;
- 4. **Requests** the IOFS Director General to follow-up the implementation of the present Resolution and report to the next session of the General Assembly.