

10th General Conference of the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO)

Final Communiqué

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With the Grace of Allah, the General Conference of the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO) convened its 10th session in Tunis, capital of the Tunisian Republic, from 9 to 10 Rajab 1430 A.H., corresponding to 2-3 July 2009, under the high patronage of His Excellency the President of the Tunisian Republic, as part of celebration of Kairouan as the 2009 Islamic Culture Capital, with the participation of all Member States, except for the Republic of Indonesia, the Republic of Surinam, the Republic of Kyrgyzstan, and the Republic of Lebanon. Also in attendance in this session were the representatives of the Arab, Islamic, and international organizations, along with a host of invited personalities.

In his address at the official opening ceremony, which took place in Carthage Palace under the high, effective patronage of His Excellency the President of the Tunisian Republic, H.E. Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri, Director General of ISESCO, thanked His Excellency for offering to host this session of the General Conference under his high patronage, out of His Excellency's belief in the human, civilizational mission undertaken by ISESCO on the Islamic and international levels. The Director General also pointed out the fine record of achievement made by ISESCO since its inception, and expressed confidence in the Organization's ability to carry on its achievements and mission under the new Three-Year Action Plan 2010-2012.

By the end of his address, Dr Altwaijri expressed appreciation for the achievements made by the Tunisian Republic in education, science, culture and communication, as well as in the area of civilizational advancement. He also placed on record his gratitude and appreciation to the Member States for their full support and cooperation with the Organization.

In appreciation of the outstanding efforts and initiatives undertaken by the Tunisian Republic, not only in the field of the dialogue of civilizations, but also in the area of renewable energies, H.E. Mr Jean-Paul Carteron, President of the Crans Montana Forum, granted the **Medal of Honour of the Crans Montana Forum and the Foundation's Prize for 2009** to His Excellency the Tunisian President. In the same context, H.E. Dr Ali Sayigh, Chairman of the World Renewable Energy Congress/Network granted the Tunisian President the **Gold Shield of the World Renewable Energy Network (WREN).**

In the addresses they delivered on the occasion, Mr Jean-Paul Carteron and Dr Ali Sayigh expressed pleasure at participating in the proceedings of the 10th General Conference, as well as their pride in cooperating with the towering Organization of ISESCO. They praised, each in their field of competence, the remarkable efforts exerted by His Excellency Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri in enhancing dialogue among civilizations and cultures and promoting the use of new and renewable energies in the Member States.

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His Excellency the President of the Tunisian Republic, delivered a lofty address at the opening ceremony wherein he expressed pride in ISESCO's achievements, the strategic plans it has established in various sectors and the great efforts it has exerted over 27 years to promote joint Islamic action in its fields of competence, with emphasis on the issues of educational, cultural and scientific development in the Islamic world. The Tunisian President particularly commended the active role assumed by Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri since his election as Director General of ISESCO and his successful efforts in promoting the Organization, improving its performance and enhancing its prestige.

The President also praised the international experience acquired by ISESCO, through the strong and vast network of partnership it has established with various regional and international organisations. This, the Tunisian President stressed, has made it possible to build relations and friendships that have enhanced the image of our Islamic Nation and contributed to serving its causes through a dynamic action in the UN institutions and in governmental and non-governmental organizations acting on the international scene.

The Tunisian President also exhorted ISESCO to persevere in enhancing dialogue with the principal counterparts of the Western civilisation, such as the European Union, the United States of America and Latin America, in order to remove the negative accumulations of the times of aversion, scepticism and suspicion, which gave rise to distorted stereotypic images of the other that did nothing but intensify the feelings of hatred, fanaticism and violence on both sides. He considered it a collective duty to overcome the effects of these accumulations so as to promote mutual understanding and respect between us and the other nations.

At the close of his address, the Tunisian President expressed his confidence that thanks to its prestigious status, to the experience and sustained efforts of its Director General Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri and to the collaboration of the member states, ISESCO would accomplish further achievements and promote joint Islamic action to the highest levels.

At the close of the official opening ceremony, H.E. the Tunisian President received H.E. Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri, and awarded him the "Grand of the Order of the Republic", in appreciation of his invaluable efforts at ISESCO, and his outstanding contribution towards promoting joint Islamic action and further enhancing relationships between Tunisia and the Organization.

The plenary opening session started with an address by His Excellency Dr Ahmed Akhchichen, Minister of National Education, Higher Education, Staff Training and Scientific Research of the Kingdom of Morocco, President of the 9th General Conference of ISESCO. He described the efforts made to achieve the goals of ISESCO as highly commendable and ascribed them to the hard work of H.E. Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri in defending the Muslim identity, pinpointing its points of strength originating in the magnanimity of Islam which advocates brotherliness, peace, and coexistence among peoples and nations. He also expressed confidence that ISESCO's three-year action plan

(2010-2012) will certainly provide a new insight into the issues of concern for Muslim people, thereby allowing for their sharing into the broader world educational, cultural and media issues.

The floor was then held by H.E. Dr Boubakar Doukouré, Chairman of ISESCO Executive Council, who congratulated H.E. Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri on the genuine tribute and glowing words of praise he and ISESCO receive from His Excellency the President. He expressed thanks to His Excellency the Tunisian President, the Tunisian government and the Tunisian people for such warm praise and generous tribute, which he said would infuse the members of the Executive Council and the General Conference with strong resolve to continue serving the goals and interests of ISESCO and, through it, the Muslim world. He was inspired with great confidence that wider horizons would open for ISESCO, especially after the re-election of H.E. Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri for two consecutive, renewable three-year terms of office as Director General of ISESCO.

On his part, ISESCO Director General extended his sincerest thanks, appreciation and gratitude to His Excellency the President of the Tunisian Republic, for presiding over the opening ceremony of the Conference at Carthage Palace and delivering a lofty address to the General Conference honourable members. The Director General proposed to have the Tunisian President's speech as a groundwork document for the Conference. The proposal was approved by the General Conference.

The Director General pointed out the significant achievements made by the Organization in the interval between the 9th and 10th General Conference sessions in relation to the implementation of the Action Plan 2007-2009, and underlined ISESCO's resolve to pursue its action in its areas of competence in the service of the Member States. He also thanked partner international, Arab, and Islamic organizations, particularly the Organization of the Islamic Conference, and expressed hope to further cooperation and coordination with the OIC General Secretariat to promote joint Islamic action. The Director General also placed on record his thanks and gratefulness to H.E. the Tunisian President for granting him the "Grand Collar of the Order of the Republic".

The floor was then held by H.E. Ambassador Hemayat Uddin, Director General for Cultural and Social Affairs at the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, who read out the address of H.E. Professor Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu, Secretary General of the OIC. In this regard, he commended the initiatives of H.E. the Tunisian President to promote the true image of Islam, most notably His Excellency's initiative to proclaim 2010 an International Year of the Youth, and his call to convene, on that occasion, an international conference on the youth. H.E. the OIC Secretary General also expressed appreciation to ISESCO for its commendable track record, and described as praiseworthy the programmes and activities conducted by ISESCO in consolidating understanding among peoples, particularly through education, science, culture and communication. He explained that the conferences and workshops held by ISESCO towards raising the profile of Islamic culture, preserving Islamic cultural sites, celebrating Islamic culture capitals, promoting dialogue among civilizations and enhancing quality

scientific and technological education in the interest of Muslims, all have earned the Organization its well-deserved reputation. The credit for the achievements of ISESCO, the statement added, must go to its Director General Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri for his wise leadership and the tireless efforts of ISESCO staff.

Also speaking at the plenary opening session were the representatives of the Arab, Islamic and international institutions taking part in the General Conference, who expressed their pleasure at taking part in the proceedings of the Conference. They also praised the good cooperation between their institutions and ISESCO, and expressed their intent to further such cooperative action.

In a fitting tribute to those intellectuals and scholars who substantially contributed to the strengthening of joint Islamic action in the educational, scientific and intellectual areas, His Excellency Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri decorated with ISESCO First Order Wissam three personalities with outstanding contribution in the realms of thought, literature, science, culture and joint Islamic action. Those personalities, representing the three geographic groups of Asia, Africa and the Arab world, are:

- **H.E. General Abdulrahman Mohammed Hassan Sewar Al-Dahab**, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Islamic Dawa Organization in Khartoum.
- **H.E. Dr Mohamed Kamal Hassan**, Former Rector of the International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM).
- **H.E. Mr. Bakary Drame (Republic of Mali)**, Former Assistant Secretary General of the OIC, Advisor to the Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan Charitable and Humanitarian Foundation.

In recognition of their genuine efforts to promote ISESCO's goals, six of the Executive Council members representing the Arab, Asian and African geographic groups were decorated with **ISESCO Gold Medal**. These are:

- Mr. Mohamed Zahir Aziz (Islamic Republic of Afghanistan).
- Mr. Abdullah Bati Jalu (Republic of Guinea Bissau).
- Dr Abdelmajid Badaoui (Tunisian Republic).
- **Dr Soulayman Al-Khateeb** (Syrian Arab Republic).
- **Mr. Ismail Mohammed Khader Tellawi** (State of Palestine).
- H.E. Mr Alhaji Usman Nurudin Sahid Jah (Republic of Sierra Leone)

There were also the recipients of ISESCO Prize for Best Literary Work for Children, ISESCO Prize for Plastic Arts, and ISESCO Prize for Kairouani Carpet Weaving.

The opening session was closed with the signing of an action programme under the memorandum of understanding between ISESCO and the Islamic Conference Youth Forum.

Then, a procedural session was held in which the General Conference Bureau was formed as follows:

- Tunisian Republic: President

- Syrian Arab Republic: Vice-President

- Federal Republic of Nigeria: Vice-President

- Islamic Republic of Pakistan: Vice-President

- **Kingdom of Morocco**: General Rapporteur

Besides, two *ad hoc* committees were set up by the Conference: namely, the **Programmes Committee**, and the **Administrative**, **Financial and Legal Affairs Committee**, both presided over by the **Tunisian Republic**.

The procedural session then adopted the General Conference draft agenda and draft programme.

In furtherance of the 30th Executive Council decision inviting the General Conference to re-elect Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri for two consecutive, renewable three-year terms of office as Director General of ISESCO, the General Conference approved, unanimously and with acclaim, a resolution on the re-election of Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri as Director General of the Organization for two consecutive, renewable three-year terms of office, in appreciation of his outstanding and pioneering efforts to enhance the Organization's action within the scope of its competence. The Conference also lauded the achievements made by the Director General in the Organization's fields of action in order to promote its status, strengthen its presence on the Islamic and international scenes, enhance its capacities and develop its administrative and financial structures.

The General Conference also invited the Director General to pursue such efforts to further develop the Organization at all levels.

In their addresses during the first working session, their Excellencies the Heads of Delegation commended H.E. Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri, Director General of the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, for his leading role in promoting the Organization's status high among leading international organizations. They praised the major achievements and effective international presence reached by the Organization since Dr Altwaijri first took office as its Director General. They also congratulated him on being unanimously re-elected for two consecutive, renewable three-year terms of office as Director General of the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, and expressed their pride at the renewing trust in His Excellency. The heads of delegation also pointed out the efforts deployed by their governments and organizations in the fields of education, science and culture. They propounded constructive ideas to further expand the Organization's action and enhance its performance. There was also a proposal put forth by H.E. the Minister of Education of the Syrian Arab Republic to introduce into educational curricula the expression "Terrorist Entity", instead of "Israel".

The Conference took cognizance of the statements of the heads of Delegation of Member States as well as Islamic, Arab and international organizations participating in the Conference, in respect of the sound orientations and important recommendations contained therein. The Conference then invited ISESCO to take those orientations and recommendations into consideration in the preparation of programmes and activities, according to the plans adopted and within the limit of the resources available.

Then, the General Conference issued a resolution to support Mr Farouq Hosni, the Minister of Culture of the Arab Republic of Egypt, in his candidacy for the position of Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). It also invited the Member States to take appropriate measures and necessary initiatives to ensure the election of Mr Farouq Hosni as UNESCO Director General in the forthcoming session of UNESCO General Conference.

Thereafter, H.E. Dr Boubakar Doukouré, Chairman of the Executive Council of ISESCO, presented a report on the Executive Council's activities between the 9th and 10th sessions of the General Conference. Having taken cognizance of the report, the General Conference commended the efforts exerted by the Chairman and members of the Executive Council and their sustained support to the Organization and its Director General towards the implementation of the Three-year Action Plan 2007-2009.

During the same session, ISESCO Director General presented his Report on the Organization's Activities between the 9th and 10th Sessions of the General Conference. In this report, the Director General provided a review of the major achievements and attainments which have strengthened ISESCO's presence in international circles, as well as the efforts made both in promoting dialogue among cultures and alliance of civilizations, and in laying solid, scientific groundwork for comprehensive development in the Islamic countries, through supporting all aspects of educational, scientific and cultural development.

The Conference adopted the Report of the Director General on the Organization's Activities between the 9th and 10th General Conference sessions. It also praised the Director General for his initiatives to hold specialized Islamic conferences, and reaffirmed the commissioning of ISESCO to convene such events in coordination with the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

The General Conference thanked the Director General for his keenness to ensure the participation of the Organization in supporting and organizing regional and international conferences falling within its fields of competence, in cooperation with similar organizations. Also, the Conference lauded his efforts in refuting, in a scholarly and balanced approach, the accusations directed against Islam and Muslims, while praising the high level and the outstanding quality of the Organization's activities implemented inside and outside the Member States, particularly those related to dialogue among civilizations and cultures and the programmes relative to highlighting the true image of Islam and Muslims.

Besides, the Conference extended its thanks to the Director General for implementing the activities geared to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, the Republic of Iraq and the Republic of Somalia, and invited him to schedule further activities in this

regard under the future action plan. The Conference also thanked the international and regional organizations as well as non-governmental institutions for their cooperation with ISESCO in implementing activities and programmes of common interest, and invited the Director General to intensify cooperation, coordination and consultation with those organizations.

Then, the Director General of ISESCO presented his Report for the Years 2007-2009 on ISESCO's Role in Supporting Educational, Scientific and Cultural Institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine wherein he highlighted the programmes and activities contributed by ISESCO to this end.

Being conscious of the shared responsibility towards the Palestinian people, and by way of asserting its support for their just cause, the General Conference adopted the Report of the Director General for the Years 2007-2009 on ISESCO's Role in Supporting Educational, Scientific and Cultural Institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine, and condemned the Israeli aggressions and desecration of Islamic sanctities and the havoc wreaked on educational, scientific and cultural institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and throughout Palestinian territories. It also reaffirmed the status of Al-Quds as capital of the Independent State of Palestine, rejected any attempt to undermine the Palestinian sovereignty over it, and stressed that all the settlement measures and practices in the holy city are null and void in accordance with the resolutions of the international legitimacy as well as international covenants and instruments which consider that all the legal and administrative arrangements and measures of the Israeli settlements designed to change the legal, demographic, architectural, historical and civilizational status of the city are null and void and run counter to the resolutions of the international legitimacy and international instruments.

Moreover, the Conference invited the Member States to continue their support and contribution to the celebration of Al-Quds as the Arab Culture Capital for the year 2009. It urged them to carry out activities and programmes aimed at highlighting the specificities of Arab Islamic culture in Al-Quds Al-Sharif, and extend support to educational, scientific and cultural institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif. It further invited the Member States to give an overriding priority to Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine in international meetings in defence of their Arab Islamic civilizational character and in support of their national Palestinian institutions.

Furthermore, the Conference reaffirmed its previous resolutions regarding the status of Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine, while inviting the Director General to pursue the implementation of the programmes and activities geared to the educational, scientific and cultural institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine under ISESCO's Action Plan for the years 2010-2012.

Afterwards, the Director General of ISESCO presented his reports on the Programme of ISESCO's Ambassadors for Dialogue among Cultures and Civilizations, and on the Evaluation of the Organization's Action for the years 2007-2009. He underscored the success achieved within the framework of the programme of ISESCO's Programme of Ambassadors for Dialogue among Cultures and Civilizations in the field of

intercultural dialogue, alliance of civilizations and promotion of universally shared values. He also pointed to the improved quality of internal and external evaluation mechanisms of the educational, scientific, cultural and communication activities, programmes and projects carried out by ISESCO under its successive action plans for the benefit of the Member States and Muslims outside the Islamic world.

Seeking to further ISESCO's efforts in disseminating the culture of dialogue, coexistence and cooperation, the General Conference adopted the Report of the Director General on the Programme of ISESCO's Ambassadors of Dialogue among Cultures and Civilizations. By the same token, it endorsed the appointment of Prof. Cheikh Modibo Diarra, President of the Pathfinder Foundation from the Republic of Mali, Sheikh Hamza Yusuf from the United States of America, and Mr. Jean Paul Carteron, President of the Crans Montana Forum in Monaco, as ISESCO's Ambassadors of Dialogue among Cultures and Civilizations.

The Conference also extended thanks to ISESCO's Ambassadors of Dialogue among Cultures and Civilizations for the activities they carried out as part of the functions assigned to them under the programme on ambassadors, and invited them to support this programme and pursue their efforts in this regard.

It equally thanked the Director General for his efforts to consolidate this programme and highlight ISESCO's role in the field of dialogue among cultures and alliance of civilizations.

The Conference also adopted the Report of the Director General for the Years 2007-2009 on the Evaluation of the Organization's Action, taking into consideration the observations made by the Conference members. Besides, it invited the Member States to be more interactive with the external evaluation operations conducted by ISESCO as part of the implementation of the action plan's programmes and activities.

It further invited the Director General to present a report on the evaluation of the Organization's action for the years 2010-2012 to the forthcoming General Conference.

Thereafter, the Director General apprised the Conference of the nominal list of the Executive Council members. The Conference endorsed the list as contained in Document (CG10/2009/5.1), and invited the Member States to nominate their representatives to the Executive Council in compliance with the provisions of Article (12-I), paragraph (b), of the Charter, and to provide the Director General with the official curriculum vitae of each representative.

It further invited the Director General to follow up this matter with the Member States and amend this list according to responses from the relevant authorities in the Member States.

The Conference then agreed on the request of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to host the 11th session of the General Conference in the first half of July 2012.

During the closing session, and following completion of the proceedings of the Programmes Committee, the Conference, in anticipation of the future and in a bid to provide the Organization with advanced and efficient means to achieve its objectives, adopted the Draft Medium-Term Plan for the Years 2010-2018 as contained in Document (CG10/2009/4.1), taking into consideration the observations made by the General Conference members. It also invited the Director General to prepare the draft action plans and budgets for the forthcoming years building on the contents of the Medium-Term Plan for the Years 2010-2018 and taking into account the priorities of the Member States, the orientations of ISESCO specialized strategies, the issues of common concern to the cooperating parties, as well as regional and international developments.

The Conference also approved the Draft Three-Year Action Plan and Budget for the Years 2010-2012, and approved its budget standing at US\$ 41,100,453 to finance its implementation, taking into consideration the observations and proposals of the Executive Council and the General Conference as well as the needs and priorities of the Member States during the implementation of the programmes and activities scheduled under the Action Plan.

It also thanked the Executive Council for its efforts to lay the groundwork for the Draft Three-Year Action Plan and Budget for the Years 2010-2012. Furthermore, it called on the Member States to settle their full contributions under this Plan, and invited the Director General to continue his efforts with a view to securing extra-budgetary resources for optimal implementation of the Action Plan for the Years 2010-2012.

In the same vein, the Conference invited the Director General to implement the Action Plan, with particular emphasis on specialized conferences, major projects, field programmes and quality activities. It also praised the methodology adopted by the General Directorate, based on a comprehensive strategic approach combining specialization and thoroughness, complementarity, harmony and innovation.

It equally thanked the Director General and his assistants for their outstanding contribution towards the preparation of the Draft Action Plan and Budget for the Years 2010-2012.

During this session, the report of the Administrative, Financial and Legal Affairs Committee was adopted. In this connection, the Conference endorsed the Financial Report of the Director General and Closing Accounts, the Report of the Audit Company and the Report of the Financial Control Committee for the years 2006-2008, taking into consideration the observations made by the members of the Committee.

It also extended thanks to all the parties and personalities having made donations in support of the Organization, commended the efforts exerted by the Director General and his assistants to ensure rationalization of expenditure and effective management of financial resources, and lauded the administrative and financial measures taken to this effect. It equally thanked the Audit Company and the Financial Control Committee for their efforts in preparing this report.

Moreover, the General Conference adopted the Report of the Director General on Member States' Contributions to the Organization's Budget and on Redressing the Financial Situation of the Organization, as contained in Document (CG10/2009/2.6), taking into consideration the observations made by the members of the Administrative, Financial and Legal Affairs Committee. In this connection, the Conference invited the Director General to seek further coordination, consultation and contacts with the Member States with arrears, through the members of the General Conference, the Executive Council and the National Commissions, with a view to collecting these arrears and agreeing on practical mechanisms for their settlement, in accordance with the relevant decisions and resolutions adopted by the Executive Council and the General Conference in this regard. Similarly, it reaffirmed the previous decisions and resolutions of the Executive Council and the General Conference in this connection. In the same vein, the General Conference thanked the Member States having positively responded to the resolution of the General Conference and decision of the Executive Council offering facilitations to pay up arrears to the Organization.

In this respect, the General Conference agreed to extend for two more years the duration of the 8th General Conference resolution on easy terms for arrears settlement, in order to encourage those Member States having not benefited from the Resolution to do so.

In furtherance of the efforts of the General Directorate to modernize ISESCO and update its regulations to keep abreast of the steady progress it is witnessing, the General Conference endorsed the Draft Amendments to ISESCO's Personnel Regulations, after having considered Document (CG10/2009/3.1) and heard the explanations provided by the Director General in this regard.

The General Conference's discussions on the items placed on its agenda were marked by harmony, consensus and a common desire to exhaustively examine those items and issues with a collective sense of responsibility.

At the close of its proceedings, the General Conference addressed a message of thanks and gratitude to His Excellency the President of the Tunisian Republic, for opening this Conference under his patronage, for his support to promote joint Islamic action, and for the high esteem in which he holds the Director General of ISESCO.



Resolutions of the 10th General Conference Session



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Resolution on Item 1.1 of the Draft Agenda:

(Examination of Credentials and the List of Delegations)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - * Article (10), paragraphs (1) and (5), of the Charter,
 - * Articles (1 through 5) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
 - * Articles (1 through 8) of the Observer Status Regulations,
- Having considered Document (CG10/2009/1.1 provisional) containing the list of participants in the 10th Session of the General Conference,
- Taking into account the recommendation of the Bureau of the 9th General Conference to adopt the said list,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

- **1. Adopts** the list of participants in the 10th Session of the General Conference as contained in Document (CG10/2009/1.1 adopted).
- **2. Invites** the Member States to take into account the provisions of Article (1) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference in the composition of their delegations.



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Resolution on Item 1.2 of the Draft Agenda:

(Draft Agenda)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - * Article (11) of the Charter,
 - * Articles (13 through 17) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
- Having considered the Draft Agenda of its Tenth Session contained in Document (CG10/2009/1.2 provisional),
- Taking into account Decision (CE 30/2009/D.4.1), adopted by the Executive Council at its 30th Session, whereby the Council recommended that the 10th Session of the General Conference adopt its Agenda contained in the proposed document,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

Decides the following:

- **Adopts** the Agenda of its 10th Session as contained in Document (CG10/2009/1.2 adopted).



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Resolution on Item 1.3 of the Agenda:

(Draft Programme)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with Article (8), paragraph (e), of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference.
- Recalling Decision (CE29/2008/D.5.1) adopted by the Executive Council at its 29th Session whereby the Council decided to hold the Tenth Session of the General Conference in Tunis, capital-city of the Tunisian Republic, in July 2009,
- Considering Resolution (CG10/2009/R.1.2) whereby it adopted the Agenda of the Tenth General Conference as contained in Document (CG10/2009/1.2 adopted),
- Having considered the Draft Programme contained in Document (CG10/2009/1.3 provisional),
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

Decides the following:

- **Adopts** the Programme of this Session as contained in Document (CG10/2009/1.3 adopted).



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Resolution on Item 1.4 of the Agenda:

(Composition of the Conference Bureau)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - * Article (10), paragraph (2), of the Charter,
 - * Articles (8) and (9) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
- Taking into account Resolution (CG10/2009/R.1.3) whereby it adopted the Programme of the proposed committees,
- Abiding by the principle of geographical distribution,
- Considering the unanimity of opinions,

Decides the following:

- **Approves** the composition of the Bureau of the 10th General Conference, as follows:

President of the Conference: Tunisian Republic

Vice-Presidents:

- 1. Syrian Arab Republic
- 2. .Federal Republic of Nigeria
- 3. Islamic Republic of Pakistan

General Rapporteur: Kingdom of Morocco

Chairman of the Programme Committee: Tunisian Republic

Chairman of the Administrative, Financial and Legal Affairs Committee: Tunisian Republic



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Resolution on Item 1.5 of the Agenda: (Statements of Member States' Heads of Delegation and Invited Organizations)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with Article (14) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
- Having heard the presentations made by the Member States' Heads of Delegation and invited organizations,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

- 1. Takes note of the statements of the Member States' Heads of Delegation and Arab, Islamic and international organizations participating in the Conference, and further takes note of their sound orientations and important recommendations.
- **2. Invites** the Islamic Organization to take those contents into consideration in the elaboration of programmes and activities, keeping in line with the available resources and the plans adopted.



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Resolution on Item 1.6 of the Agenda:

(Report of the Executive Council on the Council's Proceedings between the 9th and 10th General Conference Sessions)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with Article (14) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
- Having considered the Report of the Executive Council on the Council's Proceedings as contained in Document (CG10/2009/1.6),
- Having heard the presentation made by the Chairman of the Executive Council,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

- **1. Takes** note of the Report of the Executive Council on the Council's Proceedings as contained in Document (CG10/2009/1.6).
- **2. Commends** the efforts exerted by the Chairman of the Executive Council and the distinguished Council members to provide sustained support to the Organization and to its Director General, as part of the implementation of the Three-Year Action Plan 2007-2009.



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Resolution on Item 2.1 of the Agenda:
(Report of the Director General on ISESCO's Activities between the 9th and 10th General Conference Sessions)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - * Article (14) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
 - * Article (20), paragraph (a), of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council,
- Recalling Resolution (CG9/2006/R.4.1) adopted by the 9th General Conference regarding the Plan and Budget for the Years 2007-2009,
- Having considered the Report of the Director General on the Organization's Activities between the 9th and 10th General Conference Sessions,
- Considering the decisions adopted by the Executive Council at its previous three sessions on the reports submitted thereto, whereby it agreed to submit them to the Tenth General Conference and recommended their adoption,
- Having heard the presentation made by the Director General in this connection,
- Having commended the efforts being made by the Director General and his assistants in implementing the programmes and activities scheduled under the 2007-2009 Three-Year Action Plan,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

- **1. Adopts** the Report of the Director General on the Organization's Activities between the 9th and 10th General Conference Sessions as contained in Document (CG10/2009/2.1), taking into account the observations of the General Conference.
- **2. Commends** the Director General's initiatives to hold specialized Islamic conferences, and **re-affirms** the commissioning of ISESCO to hold such conferences in coordination with the OIC General Secretariat.

- **3.** Thanks the Director General for his keenness to ensure the participation of the Organization in sponsoring and organizing regional and international conferences that fall within its fields of competence, in cooperation with similar organizations.
- **4.** Lauds the efforts exerted by the Director General in refuting, in a scholarly and balanced approach, the accusations directed against Islam and Muslims.
- 5. Praises the high level and the outstanding quality of the Organization's activities implemented inside and outside the Member States, particularly those related to dialogue among civilizations and cultures and the programmes relative to highlighting the true image of Islam and Muslims.
- **6. Thanks** the Director General for implementing the activities geared to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, the Republic of Iraq and the Republic of Somalia, and **invites** him to schedule further activities in this regard under the following action plan.
- 7. Extends thanks to the international and regional organizations as well as non-governmental bodies for cooperating with ISESCO in implementing activities and programmes of common interest, and invites the Director General to intensify cooperation, coordination and consultation with these organizations.



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Resolution on Item 2.2 of the Agenda:

(Report of the Director General for the Years 2007-2009 on ISESCO's Role in Supporting Educational, Scientific and Cultural Institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine)

The General Conference,

- Recalling the Resolutions (CG9/2006/R.2.2) and (CG9/2006/R.2.3) adopted by the General Conference at its 9th Session regarding ISESCO's Role in supporting educational, scientific and cultural institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine,
- Having considered Document (CG10/2009/2.2) concerning "the Report of the Director General for the Years 2007-2009 on ISESCO's Role in Supporting Educational, Scientific and Cultural Institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine", and noted that the Director General has paid the special attention due to the city of Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine,
- Having reviewed the difficult conditions endured by the Palestinian people in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine under the criminal aggressions perpetrated by the Israeli occupation authorities,
- Having commended the efforts being made by the Director General and his assistants in that respect,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

- **1. Adopts** Document (CG10/2009/2.2) concerning support for educational, scientific and cultural institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine.
- **2. Condemns** the Israeli aggressions and desecration of Islamic sanctities in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and the havoc wreaked on educational, scientific and cultural institutions in Palestine.

- **3. Reaffirms** that Al-Quds is the capital of the Independent State of Palestine, **rejects** any attempt to cut down the Palestinian sovereignty over it, and **stresses** that all the settlement measures and practices therein are null and void in accordance with the resolutions of the international legitimacy as well as the international conventions and accords which consider that all the legal and administrative arrangements and measures of the Israeli settlements designed to alter the legal, demographic, architectural, historical and civilizational status of the holy city are null and void and run counter to the resolutions of the international legitimacy and international instruments.
- **4. Invites** the Member States to contribute to the celebration of Al-Quds as the Arab Culture Capital for the year 2009, and **urges** them to carry out activities and programmes aimed at highlighting the specificities of Arab Islamic culture in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and to extend support to educational, scientific and cultural institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif.
- **5.** Further **invites** the Member States to give an overriding priority to Al-Quds Al-Sharif in international meetings in defence of its Arab Islamic civilizational character, to protect its identity and to support its Palestinian national institutions.
- **6. Reaffirms** its previous resolutions regarding the status of Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine.
- **7. Invites** the Director General to pursue the implementation of the programmes and activities geared to educational, scientific and cultural institutions in Al-Quds Al-Sharif and Palestine.



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Resolution on Item 2.3 of the Agenda:

(Programme of ISESCO's Ambassadors for Dialogue among Cultures and Civilizations)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - * Article (24) of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council,
 - * Article (4), paragraph (b), of the Charter,
 - ❖ Decision (CE29/2008/D.4.1) adopted by the Executive Council at its 29th Session,
- Having examined the document presented and heard the presentation made by the Director General in this connection,

- 1. Endorses the appointment of Pr. Cheikh Modibo Diarra, President of the Pathfinder Foundation from the Republic of Mali, Sheikh Hamza Yusuf from the United States of America and Mr Jean Paul Carteron, President of the Crans Montana Forum in Monaco, as ISESCO's Ambassadors for Dialogue among Cultures and Civilizations.
- **2. Extends** thanks to ISESCO's Ambassadors for Dialogue among Cultures and Civilizations for the activities they carried out as part of their functions under the programme on ambassadors, and **invites** them to support this programme and pursue their efforts in this regard.
- **3. Thanks** the Director General for his efforts to promote this programme and highlight ISESCO's role in the field of dialogue of cultures and alliance among civilizations.



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Resolution on Item 2.4 of the Agenda:

(Report of the Director General for the Years 2007-2009 on the Evaluation of the Organization's Action)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the second operative paragraph of Decision (CE 12/91/D.2.5), adopted by the Executive Council at its twelfth session, which calls upon the Director General to present a report on the evaluation of ISESCO's action on a regular basis to the session of the Executive Council which precedes the regular session of the General Conference,
- Noting, upon considering the evaluation of ISESCO's action in Document (CG 10/2009/2.4), that the Director General has implemented the Council's decisions in the required way, by incorporating within this document the data concerning the external evaluation of implemented programmes and activities under the action plan for the years 2007-2009,
- Having heard the presentation made by the Director General,
- Having commended the efforts being made by the Director General and his assistants in that respect,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

- **1. Adopts** the Report of the Director General for the Years 2007-2009 on the Evaluation of the Organization's Action, as contained in Document (CG10/2009/2.4), taking into consideration the observations made by the Conference members.
- **2. Invites** the Member States to be more interactive with the external evaluation operations conducted by ISESCO as part of the implementation of the Action plan's programmes and activities.
- **3. Further invites** the Director General to present a report on the evaluation of the Organization's action for the years 2010-2012 to the forthcoming General Conference.



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Resolution on Item 2.5 of the Agenda:

(Financial Report of the Director General and Closing Accounts, Report of the Audit Company and Report of the Financial Control Committee for the Years 2006-2008)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - * Articles (16) and (19) of the Charter,
 - * Articles (19-20) and (24-29) of the Financial Regulations,
 - * Article (20), paragraphs (b), (e) and (g), of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council.
- Having considered the Financial Report of the Director General and the Closing Accounts, the Report of the Audit Company and the Report of the Financial Control Committee for the years 2006-2008, as contained in Document (CG10/2009/2.5),
- Considering the decisions adopted by the Executive Council at its previous three sessions on this report, whereby it adopted all its parts, agreed to submit it to the Tenth General Conference and recommended its adoption,
- Having heard the presentation made by the General Directorate,
- Having commended the efforts being made by the Director General and his assistants in that respect,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

Decides the following:

1. Adopts the Financial Report of the Director General and the Closing Accounts, the Report of the Audit Company and the Report of the Financial Control Committee for the years 2006-2008, as contained in Document (CG10/2009/2.5), taking into consideration the observations of the General Conference.

- **2. Extends** thanks to all the personalities and institutions that made donations in support of the Organization.
- **3.** Commends the efforts exerted by the Director General and his assistants to ensure rationalization of expenditures and effective management of financial resources, as well as the administrative and financial measures taken to this effect.
- **4. Thanks** the Audit Company and the Financial Control Committee for their efforts in preparing this report.



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Resolution on Item 2.6 of the Agenda:

(Report of the Director General on Member States' Contributions to the Organization's Budget and Redressing the Financial Situation of the Organization for the Years 2006-2008)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - * Article (6) of the Financial Regulations,
 - * Resolution (CG9/2006/R.2.11) adopted by the Ninth General Conference,
- Having considered "the Report of the Director General on Member States' Contributions to the Organization's Budget and Redressing the Financial Situation of the Organization", contained in Document (CG10/2009/2.6),
- Considering the decisions adopted by the Executive Council at its previous three sessions on this report, whereby it adopted all reports submitted thereto, agreed to submit them to the Ninth General Conference and recommended their adoption,
- Having heard the presentation made by the General Directorate.
- Having commended the efforts being made by the Director General and his assistants in that respect,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

Decides the following:

1. Adopts the Report of the Director General on Member States' Contributions to the Organization's Budget and Redressing the Financial Situation of the Organization, contained in Document (CG10/2009/2.6), taking into consideration the observations made by the members of the Administrative, Financial and Legal Affairs Committee.

- 2. Invites the Director General to conduct consultation and contacts with the Member States with arrears, through the members of the General Conference, the Executive Council and the National Commissions, with a view to collecting these arrears and agreeing on practical mechanisms for the payment thereof, in accordance with the relevant decisions and resolutions adopted by the Executive Council and the General Conference.
- **3. Reaffirms** the previous decisions and resolutions of the Executive Council and the General Conference in this connection.
- **4. Thanks** the Member States having responded to the decision of the General Conference and the Executive Council, whereby facilitations concerning the payment of Member States' arrears to the Organization were adopted.
- **5. Agrees** to extend, up to the end of 2010, the effect of the Eighth General Conference Resolution on facilitations for the settlement of arrears, in order to encourage the Member States which have not benefited yet from the said Resolution.



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Resolution on Item 3.1 of the Agenda:

(Draft Amendment to the Personnel Regulations)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - * Article (12) III, paragraph (g), of the Charter,
 - * Article (12), paragraph (d), of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
 - * Article (20), paragraph (g), of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council,
 - * Decision (CE29/2008/D.4.2) adopted by the Executive Council at its 29th Session whereby it adopted the Draft Amendments to the Personnel Regulations and recommended their adoption by the General Conference,
- Having considered Document (CG 10/2009/3.1), and heard the explanations given by the Director General.
- Having commended the efforts being made by the Director General and his assistants in that respect,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

Decides the following:

 Endorses the Draft Amendments to ISESCO's Personnel Regulations as in Document (CG10/2009/3.1 adopted).



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Resolution on Item 4.1 of the Agenda:

(Draft Medium-Term Plan for the Years 2010-2018)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - ❖ Article (12) III, paragraph (c), of the Charter,
 - * Article (14) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
 - Article (20), paragraph (c), of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council,
- Having considered Document (CG 10/2009/4.1) and heard the explanations given by the Director General in that respect,
- Having commended the efforts made by the Director General and his assistants to prepare this document,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place and the views put forward,

- **1- Adopts** the Draft Medium-Term Plan for the Years 2010-2018 as in Document (CG 10/2009/4.1), taking into consideration the observations made by the General Conference members.
- **2- Invites** the Director General to prepare the draft action plans and budgets for the forthcoming years building on the contents of the Medium-Term Plan for the Years 2010-2018 and taking into account Member States' priorities, orientations of ISESCO specialized strategies, common interests of cooperating parties as well as regional and international developments.
- **3- Thanks** the Director General and his assistants for preparing this draft.



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Resolution on Item 4.2 of the Agenda:

(Draft Three-Year Action Plan and Budget for the Years 2010-2012)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - * Article (11), paragraph (b), of the Charter,
 - * Article (14) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
 - ❖ Article (20), paragraph (c), of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council,
- Having considered "the Draft Action Plan and Budget for the Years 2010-2012", contained in Document (CG10/2009/4.2),
- Considering Decision (CE 30/2009/D.3.1) adopted by the Executive Council at its 30th Session, whereby the Council adopted the Draft Three-Year Action Plan and Budget for the Years 2010-2012, agreed to submit it to the 10th General Conference and recommended its adoption,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

- **1- Endorses** the Draft Three-Year Action Plan and Budget for the Years 2010-2012 as contained in Document (CG10/2009/4.2), and **approves** its budget standing at **US\$41.100.453** to finance its implementation, taking into consideration the observations and proposals of the Executive Council and the General Conference as well as the Member States' priorities and needs at implementation.
- **2- Invites** the Member States to settle their full contributions under this Plan, and further **invites** the Director General to continue his efforts with a view to securing extrabudgetary resources in order to implement the major part of the Action Plan for the Years 2010-2012.

- **3- Invites** the Director General to translate into action the Action Plan, with particular emphasis laid on specialized conferences, major projects, field programmes and quality activities, in cooperation with specialized national and regional institutions and centres in Member States.
- **4- Praises** the methodology adopted by the General Directorate, based on a comprehensive strategic approach bringing in line specialization and thoroughness, complementarity, coordination and renovation.
- **5- Agrees** on the proposal to exempt the State of Palestine, the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and the Republic of Somalia from their contributions to the Draft Three-Year Action Plan and Budget for the years 2010-2012.
- **6- Invites** ISESCO to support, under its special programmes, the educational, scientific, cultural and media institutions in the Occupied Syrian Golan with a view to countering the policies of the occupation authorities aimed at obliterating its Arab and Islamic identity.
- **7- Thanks** the Executive Council for its efforts to lay down the broad lines for the Draft Three-Year Action Plan and Budget for the Years 2010-2012.
- **8- Thanks** the Director General and his assistants for their outstanding contribution towards the preparation of the Draft Action Plan and Budget for the Years 2010-2012.



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Resolution on Item 5.1 of the Agenda:

(Accreditation of the Executive Council Members)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with Article (11), paragraph (h), and Article (12-I), paragraph (b) of the Charter.
- Having considered the list of the Organization's Executive Council members in Document (CG10/2009/5.1),

- 1. Accredits the Council members as per Document (CG10/2009/5.1 Adopted).
- **2. Invites** the Member States to nominate their representatives to the Executive Council in compliance with the provisions of Article (12-I), paragraph (b), of the Charter, and to provide the Director General with the official curriculum vitae of each representative.
- **3. Further invites** the Director General to follow up this matter with the Member States and amend this list according to responses from the relevant authorities in the Member States.



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Resolution on Item 5.2 of the Agenda:

(Election of the Director General of the Organization)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the following:
 - Article (11), paragraph (i), of the Charter,
 - * Article (12), paragraph (i), of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
 - Decision of the Organization's Executive Council at its 28th Session (CE 28/2007/D.b) whereby the Council invited the government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to nominate Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri for a new mandate as ISESCO Director General, and recommended his re-election as Director General of the Organization to the 10th General Conference,
 - Decision of the 7th Coordination Meeting of the Ministers of Education in the Member States (Paris, October 2007),
 - Resolution of the Islamic Summit Conference at its 11th session (Dakar, 13-14 March 2008)
 - ❖ Resolution N° 8/35-C of the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers at its 35th session (Kampala, 18-20 June 2008),
 - Resolution N° 8/36-C of the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers at its 36th session (Damascus, 23-25 May 2009/,
 - ❖ Decision (CE 30/2009/D.4.1 (b)) of the Executive Council at its 30th session (Tunis, 27-29 June 2009),
- Expressing its deep appreciation for the efforts exerted by Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri in the management of the Organization and its promotion at all levels, and for the balanced and integrated progress it has achieved since his first election at the Fourth General Conference Session,

- Considering that all Member States unanimously commend the competence and outstanding performance of Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri as well as the considerable success he has achieved in running the Organization, fulfilling its objectives and expanding its outreach on the Islamic and international scene,
- Following the similar two previous resolutions taken at the Sixth Session (Riyadh, December 1997) and Eighth Session (Tehran, December 2003) of the General Conference, whereby Dr. Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri was elected as Director General of ISESCO for six years,

- 1. Elects unanimously and with acclaim, in this session, Dr Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri as Director General of the Organization for two consecutive, renewable three-year terms of office, in appreciation of his outstanding and pioneering efforts to enhance the Organization's action within the scope of its competence.
- **2.** Lauds the achievements made by the Director General in the Organization's fields of action in order to promote its status, assert its presence on the Islamic and international scene, enhance its capacities and develop its administrative and financial structures.
- **3. Invites** the Director General to pursue these efforts to further develop the Organization at all levels.



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Resolution on Item 5.3 of the Agenda:

(Date and Venue for the 11th General Conference Session)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with Article (6) of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference,
- In response to the request of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to host the 11th Session of the General Conference,

Decides the following:

- **Convenes** the 11th session of the General Conference in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, in the first half of July 2012.



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Resolution on Item 5.4 of the Agenda:

(Supporting Mr Farouq Hosni in his candidacy for UNESCO Director General)

The General Conference,

- In accordance with the previous resolutions taken by the competent parties of the relevant Arab and Islamic organizations,
- As part of Mr Farouq Hosni's candidacy for the Director General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization-UNESCO-,
- In view of Mr Farouq Hosni's high competence, his considerable achievements and the efforts he has led to promote joint cultural action,

- **1. Supports** Mr Farouq Hosni, the Minister of Culture in the Arab Republic of Egypt, in his candidacy for UNESCO Director General.
- **2. Invites** the Member States to take the appropriate measures and necessary initiatives to ensure the election of Mr Farouq Hosni as UNESCO Director General.



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Resolution on the areas of competence of the Organization and the functions of its statutory organs

The General Conference,

- Having heard the Director General with respect to the reports on the supervision, coordination and evaluation of the Organization's activities and on the convening of specialized ministerial conferences, and in accordance with the Organization's Charter and internal regulations,
- In accordance with the decisions of the 30th session of the Executive Council (Tunis, 27-29 June 2009) in this regard,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place,

- **1.** Re-affirms the competence of the General Conference and the Executive Council in supervising the Organization's action, as well as in coordinating and evaluating its activities, as stipulated by the Organization's Charter.
- **2.** Supports the commissioning of ISESCO to hold specialized ministerial conferences in the fields of culture, higher education and scientific research, environment, and childhood, in coordination with the General Secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference.



Executive Council / 8th Procedural Session

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<u>Decision on:</u> (Election of the Bureau of the Executive Council)

The Executive Council,

- In accordance with the provisions of Article (10) of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Council,
- Considering the deliberations which have taken place during the 8th Procedural Session held in Tunis, Tunisian Republic, on Friday 3 July 2009, after the conclusion of the proceedings of the Tenth General Conference (Tunis, 2-3 July 2009),
- Considering the discussions which have taken place,

Decides the following:

Elects its Bureau as follows:

- Chairman: Burkina Faso

- Vice-Chairmen:
 - Republic of Azerbaijan
 - Republic of Sudan
 - Republic of the Gambia
- Rapporteur: Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya