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RESOLUTION NO.8/22-P ON JAMMU AND KASHMIR DISPUTE

The Twenty Second Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, from 8 to 10 Rajab 1415H (10-12 December, 1994),

<u>Reaffirming</u> the principles and objectives of the Charter of the Organization of Islamic Conference which emphasize the common goals and destiny of the peoples of the Islamic Ummah;

<u>Emphasizing</u> the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and recalling the UN resolutions relevant to the Jammu and Kashmir dispute which remain unimplemented;

<u>Recalling</u> that the Simla Agreement signed between the Governments of India and Pakistan calls for a final settlement of the Jammu and Kashmir issue;

<u>Reaffirming</u> the importance of the universal realization of the right of peoples to selfdetermination enshrined in the Charters of the OIC and the United Nations;

Recalling all its previous resolutions on the Jammu and Kashmir dispute;

<u>Expressing</u> concern at the alarming increase in the indiscriminate use of force and gross violations of human rights committed against innocent Kashmiris;

<u>Recalling</u> the Report of the OIC Fact Finding Mission on the situation in Kashmir following its visit to Azad Jammu and Kashmir in February 1993, and <u>regretting</u> that the human rights situation in Indian held Jammu and Kashmir remains grave;

<u>Regretting also</u> that the Government of India has not responded favourably so far to the offer of the Good Offices Mission made by the Twentieth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and renewed by the Sixth Islamic Summit Conference;

<u>Further regretting</u> that the OIC Fact Finding Mission was not allowed to visit Indian held Jammu and Kashmir;

<u>Noting</u> the establishment of the OIC Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir at the United Nations;

- 1. <u>Takes note</u> of the Report of the Secretary General on the Jammu and Kashmir dispute and endorses the recommendations contained therein (Document No. ICFM/22-94/PIL/D.3).
- 2.<u>Calls</u> for a peaceful settlement of the Jammu and Kashmir issue in accordance with the relevant UN Resolutions and as agreed upon in the Simla Agreement.
- 3. <u>Condemns</u> the continuing massive violations of human rights of the Kashmiri people and calls for the respect of their human rights including the right of self-determination.
- 4. <u>Calls upon</u> Member states to take all necessary steps to persuade India to cease forthwith the massive human rights violations of the Kashmiri people and to enable them to exercise their inalienable right to self determination as mandated by the relevant resolutions of the Security Council.
- 5.<u>Calls upon</u> India to allow International Human Rights Groups and Humanitarian Organizations to visit Jammu and Kashmir.
- 6. <u>Supports</u> the efforts of the Government of Pakistan to initiate a meaningful bilateral dialogue for resolving the Jammu and Kashmir dispute and calls upon the Government of India to respond positively to these efforts.
- 7.<u>Affirms</u> that a sustained dialogue is essential to address the core of the problems and to remove the basic causes of tension between India and Pakistan.
- $8.\underline{\text{Expresses}}$ its deep concern at the prevailing tension that threatens security and peace in the region.
- 9. <u>Calls upon</u> India and Pakistan to redeploy their forces to peace-time locations.
- 10. <u>Appeals</u> to the Member States, OIC and Islamic Institutions, such as the Islamic Solidarity Fund, and philanthropists to mobilize funds and contribute generously towards providing humanitarian assistance to the Kashmiri people.

- 11. <u>Requests</u> the Government of India, in the interest of regional peace and security, to avail itself of the offer of Good Offices made by the Twentieth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and the Sixth Islamic Summit Conference.
- 12. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary General to establish contact with the Governments of India and Pakistan and the true representatives of the people of Jammu and Kashmir with a view to promoting a just and peaceful settlement of the Kashmir dispute.
- 13. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary General to take necessary steps for enabling the true representatives of the Kashmiri people to have their views expressed in OIC and other international fora.
- 14. Requests the Secretary General to send a three member OIC Fact Finding Mission to visit Jammu and Kashmir as decided by the Twentieth and Twenty-first Islamic Conferences of Foreign Ministers as well as the Seventh Extra-ordinary session and the Sixth Islamic Summit Conference, and that the Mission submits a report to him.
- 15. Requests the Government of India to allow the OIC Fact-Finding Mission to visit Jammu and Kashmir.
- 16. <u>Recommends</u> that member states continue to coordinate their positions and to take joint action at the UN General Assembly and the Commission on Human Rights and other relevant international fora to promote respect for the fundamental human rights of the people of Jammu and Kashmir.
- 17. <u>Welcomes</u> the establishment of the OIC Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir at the United Nations comprising of Niger, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Pakistan and the OIC Secretary General in accordance with the decision of the Seventh Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.
- 18. <u>Requests</u> the OIC Contact Group on Jammu and Kashmir to continue its efforts for promoting the right of self-determination of the Kashmiri people in accordance with the UN Resolutions and for safeguarding their fundamental human rights.
- 19. <u>Decides</u> to consider the Jammu and Kashmir Dispute at the Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and at the Eighth Islamic Summit Conference.
- 20. <u>Requests</u> the Secretary General to follow up the implementation of this resolution and to present reports thereon to the Twenty-third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers and the next Islamic Summit.