

The 30th CPR Meeting

Report

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The 30th Meeting of the ECO Council of Permanent Representatives (CPR) was held in the ECO Secretariat on Sunday, 14 March, 1999. The meeting was chaired by H.E. Mr. Vyacheslav Gizzatov, Ambassador of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The Permanent Representatives/representatives of the Islamic State of Afghanistan, Azerbaijan Republic, Islamic Republic of Iran, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Republic of Tajikistan, Republic of Turkey, Republic of Uzbekistan and the Secretary General of ECO attended the Meeting. The list of participants is placed at Annex-I.

Agenda Item No. 1

Adoption of the Agenda.

2. The draft agenda proposed by the Secretariat was adopted with some amendments. The adopted agenda is placed at Annex-II.

Agenda Item No. 2

Consideration of the draft Agenda of the 9th meeting of ECO Council of Ministers (COM) to be held in Baku, Azerbaijan - May, 1999

3. The Council considered the draft agenda of the 9th Meeting of the Council of Ministers and recommended it with some amendments. The recommended draft agenda is placed at Annex-III. The said draft agenda will also be circulated by the Secretariat separately.

4. The Secretary General informed the CPR that the host Member State, the Republic of Azerbaijan communicated to the Secretariat the planned dates of the COM as follows:

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| 1. | Senior Officials Meeting | - | 18 - 19 May, 1999 |
| 2. | Council of Ministers Meeting | - | 20 May, 1999 |

5. However, the Secretary General stated that on his request, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan Republic currently visiting Islamic Republic of Iran, had kindly agreed to extend the duration of the ministerial meeting from 18th to 21st of May, 1999.

6. The CPR was also informed that the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan will provide local hospitality (boarding and lodging) for four participants (1+3) including heads of delegations from each Member State.

Agenda Item No. 3

Consideration of the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between ECO and INMARSAT

7. The CPR gave its final approval for the draft MOU between ECO and INMARSAT and authorized the Secretary General to sign it.

Agenda Item No. 4

Consideration of the Report of the Working Group to determine the ECO Scale of Assessment

8. The CPR decided to postpone this item to its next meeting.

Agenda Item No. 5

Consideration of the documents on the modalities scope and procedures for granting observer dialogue partnership status in ECO

9. The CPR decided to postpone this item to one of its next meetings.

Agenda Item No. 6

Pakistan's proposal to form a Working Group of ECO Ambassadors at various International for a where economic issues are discussed

10. The CPR decided that the write-up prepared by the Secretariat in this regard will be considered by the Working Group to assist CPR. The outcome will be submitted to the CPR for finalization. The date of the Working Group meeting will be notified by the Secretariat.

Agenda Item No. 7

Appointment of the next ECO Secretary General

a. The proposal of Iran regarding the rules of procedures for selecting the ECO Secretary General

b. Consideration of the nomination of the Republic of Kazakhstan for the post of ECO Secretary General in the year 2000

11. Regarding the issues at (a) and (b) above, it was agreed that the Permanent Representatives will consider the subject matters in a series of informal meetings and inform the CPR accordingly.

Agenda Item No. 8

Recent developments concerning external relations of ECO

12. The Secretary General informed the CPR about the recent developments concerning external relations of ECO as reflected in Annex-IV.

13. The CPR took note of the developments and requested the Secretariat to circulate a write-up about the developments concerning external relations before the CPR meetings in future.

Agenda Item No. 9

Any other business

14. a. Issues to be raised by the Secretary General

i. The Secretary General pointed out that the issue of payment mechanism related to the budget of ECO Cultural Institute for 1999 shall be settled by the concerned Member States before the Executive Director of the Institute arrives in Tehran to assume his duties.

ii. The Secretary General asked the Member States to designate expeditiously their experts to participate in the HLEG Meeting to finalize the Annexes of the Transit Transport Framework Agreement (TTFA) to be held on 12-13 April, 1999 in the Secretariat, on non-hospitality basis.

iii. The Secretary General addressed a pressing appeal to Member States to pay their contributions to the Secretariat budget for 1999 at their earliest.

b. Kazakhstan's Proposals regarding

- notification of the new Permanent Representatives;
 - the nomination of the Representatives of the Working Group to assist CPR;
 - agenda of the meeting of Executive Directors of Oil, Gas and Petro-chemical Industries of ECO Member States.
- i. The Council reminded the Member States to notify to the Secretariat the changes, if any, of their Permanent Representatives along with their credentials and their alternate officers authorized to attend the CPR Meetings.
- ii. The Member States who had not yet done so were requested to nominate their representatives to attend the meetings of the Working Group to assist CPR. The Secretariat was requested to circulate the names of the representatives received by the Secretariat so far.
- iii. The Representative of the Republic of Kazakhstan requested the ECO Secretariat to evolve the draft agenda of the meeting of the Executive Directors of Oil, Gas and Petro-chemical Industries of ECO Member States to be held in Astana in June 1999 and asked the Member States to confirm their participation in the said meeting to the Secretariat as early as possible.

Agenda Item No. 10Date of next meeting

15. The Council decided to hold its 31st meeting on 25 April, 1999, Sunday, at 0930 hours at the Secretariat.

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