

# The 6<sup>th</sup> Summit

## Report

( Tehran, 10 June, 2000 )

The Sixth Summit Meeting of the Economic Cooperation Organisation (ECO) was held in Tehran on 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2000.

The Meeting was chaired by H.E. Seyed Mohammad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran and attended by H.E. Mr. Burhanuddin Rabbani, President of the Islamic State of Afghanistan, H.E. Mr. Heydar Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, H.E. Mr. Kassymzhomart K. Tokaev, Prime Minister of the Republic of Kazakhstan, H.E. Mr. Askar Akaev, President of the Kyrgyz Republic, H.E. General Pervez Musharraf, Chief Executive of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, H.E. Mr. Emomali Rahmonov, President of the Republic of Tajikistan, H.E. Mr. Mehmet Kececiler, Minister of State of the Republic of Turkey, H.E. Mr. Saparmurat Niyazov, President of Turkmenistan and H.E. Mr. Islam Karimov, President of the Republic of Uzbekistan. H.E. Mr. Onder Ozar, Secretary General of ECO also attended the Meeting. The list of participants is placed at **Annex-I**.

### **Agenda Item No.1**

#### Inaugural Ceremony/Election of Chairman

The 6<sup>th</sup> ECO Summit Meeting started with playing of National Anthem of the Islamic Republic of Iran and recitation of the verses from the Holy Quran.

H.E. Mr. Kassymzhomart K. Tokaev, Prime Minister of the Republic of Kazakhstan, on behalf of H.E. Mr. Nursultan Nazarbayev, President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Chairman of the 5<sup>th</sup> Summit opened the Meeting and invited H.E. Seyed Mohammad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran to take over the Chairmanship of the Sixth ECO Summit Meeting. The Chairman's election was applauded as an expression of unanimity and followed by welcoming remarks and the inaugural statement of the President of the Islamic Republic of Iran. A copy of the said statement is placed at **Annex-II**.

### **Agenda Item No. 2**

#### Adoption of the Agenda

The Council adopted the Agenda of the Sixth ECO Summit Meeting as recommended by the Council of Ministers. The adopted Agenda is placed at **Annex-III**.

### **Agenda Item No.3**

#### Statements by the Heads of State/Government

The Heads of State/Government delivered their statements in alphabetical order. The texts of the statements made available to the Secretariat are placed at **Annex-IV**.

### **Agenda Item No.4**

#### Statements by the Representatives of International Organizations

The Representatives of UN Agencies and other regional & international organizations such as UNDP, UNICEF, FAO, UNFPA, OIC also attended the Summit Meeting.

H.E. Mr. Pino Arlacchi, Assistant Secretary General UN and the Executive Director of

the UNDCP read out his Message.

### **Agenda Item No.5**

#### Report of the Chairperson of ECO Council of Ministers

H.E. Dr. Kamal Kharrazi, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran, in his capacity as the current Chairman of the 10<sup>th</sup> ECO Council of Ministers (COM), presented a Report to the Summit Meeting. The text of his Report is placed at **Annex-V**. The Meeting thanked the Council of Ministers and its Chairman for the hard work done. It particularly noted with satisfaction the approval of appointment of next Secretary General of ECO, ECO's new Scale of Assessment and new Organizational Structure/work distribution of ECO Secretariat.

The Summit also took note with satisfaction of the First ECO Ministerial Meeting of Commerce/Foreign Trade and the 3<sup>rd</sup> ECO Ministerial Meeting on Transport & Communications held in Tehran (Iran) and Islamabad (Pakistan) in March and April, 2000 respectively and welcomed the proposals to hold Ministerial Meetings on Energy, Agriculture, Industry and Human Developments in future.

### **Agenda Item No.6**

#### Report of the ECO Secretary General

H.E. Mr. Onder Ozar, Secretary General of ECO presented a Report highlighting the important activities of the Organisation since the Fifth Summit Meeting, held in Almaty in May, 1998. The text of the Report of the Secretary General is placed at **Annex-VI**. The Summit thanked the Secretary General for his comprehensive Report.

The Summit appreciated the hard work done by H.E. Onder Ozar, Secretary General, ECO during the last four years and the achievements of the Organisation under his able leadership and wished him every success in his future career.

The Summit also welcomed the appointment of Dr. Abdolrahim Gavahi as the next Secretary General of ECO and wished him a successful tenure.

### **Agenda Item No.7**

#### Any Other Business

No issue was raised under this Agenda item.

### **Agenda Item No.8**

#### Date and Venue of the Next Meeting

The Summit decided that the date and venue for the 7<sup>th</sup> ECO Summit Meeting to be held during 2002 would be finalized after due consultations among Member States.

### **Agenda Item No.9**

#### Consideration and Adoption of the Tehran Declaration

The Council adopted the Tehran Declaration as recommended by the Council of Ministers during its Tenth Meeting held in Tehran on 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2000. The text of Tehran Declaration is placed at **Annex-VII**.

### **Agenda Item No.10**

#### Closing of the Meeting

On behalf of all the delegations, H.E. General Pervez, Chief Executive of the Islamic

Republic of Pakistan expressed profound thanks to the President and the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran for the excellent arrangements made for the Meeting and for the warm hospitality extended to the delegations. He also expressed deep appreciation for the Secretary General of ECO and his able staff for their valuable services.

The Chairman of the Meeting, H.E. Seyed Mohammad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, made his concluding remarks and declared the Meeting closed. Text of his concluding remarks is placed at ***Annex-VIII***.

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