

# The 45<sup>th</sup> CPR Meeting

## Report

( Tehran – Sunday, 18 June, 2000 )

The 45<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the ECO Council of Permanent Representatives (CPR) was held in the ECO Secretariat on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2000. The Permanent Representatives/Representatives of the Islamic State of Afghanistan, Republic of Azarbaijan, Islamic Republic of Iran, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Republic of Tajikistan, Republic of Turkey, Turkmenistan and Republic of Uzbekistan and the Secretary General of ECO attended the Meeting. The list of participants is placed at **Annex-I**.

The outgoing Chairman H.E. Mr. Abbasali Hasanov, Ambassador of the Republic of Azarbaijan opened the meeting and made a brief statement in which he thanked the Permanent Representatives for the cooperation and assistance rendered during his tenure. Subsequently, in compliance with the ECO Rules of Procedure and past practice, the outgoing Chairman invited H.E. Dr. Seyed Mohammad Hossein Adeli, Deputy Foreign Minister for Economic Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran to assume the chairmanship of the CPR for the current term.

H.E. Dr. Adeli while appreciating the successful performance of H.E. Ambassador Hasanov as Chairman CPR during his tenure and thanking the CPR and Secretariat for their laudable efforts for the successful outcome of the 10<sup>th</sup> COM and 6<sup>th</sup> Summit Meetings held in June in Tehran called for more dynamism and cohesion in the organization's activities in the new millennium. H.E. Dr. Adeli also referred to the 10<sup>th</sup> COM decision to establish a working group at Senior Officials level to examine the effectiveness and efficiency of ECO including its regional institutions and specialized agencies and informed the CPR that he would address letters to his counterparts (Deputy Foreign Minister of the Member States) inviting them to attend the informal COM meeting scheduled to be held end September in New York to discuss this issue.

The members of the CPR in return congratulated Dr. Adeli for assuming Chairmanship of CPR and assured all possible cooperation on their part for achieving the objectives of the ECO.

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

#### Adoption of the Agenda

5. The CPR adopted the Agenda prepared by the Secretariat agreeing to discuss also the issue related to the calculation of the ECO Scale of Assessment under Agenda Item No. 4 'Any other business' The adopted Agenda is enclosed as **Annex-II**.

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

#### The matter related to the extension of DCCU Project.

6. The Secretary General briefed the meeting on the implementation of the first phase of the project and on his meeting with Mr. Pino Arlacchi, Executive Director of the UN Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention.

The CPR approved the extension of the 1<sup>st</sup> Phase of DCCU Project for nine months and requested the Secretariat to take necessary action accordingly. The Council urged also the Secretariat to make every possible effort to complete the remaining activities envisaged in

the ECO-DCCU Work Plan within the agreed time span i.e., 9 months effective from 1<sup>st</sup> of July, 2000.

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

#### Appointment and renewal of Secretariat's posts in Category-I.

The Secretary General after recalling the 10<sup>th</sup> COM Meeting's decision to authorize the CPR to act on its behalf in this respect, briefed the Council on the recommendations of the Selection Panel which held its meeting earlier the same day. The Council approved these recommendations as following:

- Appointment of Dr. Ahmet Tiktik as Deputy Secretary General w.e.f. 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2000.
- Appointment/Renewal of the following nominees for the post of Director:
- The term of Mr. Gumar Kassymov, Director for Transport and Communications will be renewed with effect from 1 July, 2000.
- The Term of Director Mr. Tauqir Ahmad will be extended till 31 August, 2000.
- Mr. Kubat Umurzakov will be appointed as Director for Economic Research and Statistics w.e.f. 22 February, 2001.
- Four posts of Directors and two posts of Assistant Directors will be allocated to founding members.
- One post of Assistant Director will be allocated to Turkmenistan.
- Deadline regarding nominees for the posts of Director and Assistant Director posts will be extended till 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2000.

Next meeting of the Selection Panel will be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2000.

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

#### Finalization of ECO Roads & Railway Maps.

The Council decided to defer this issue to its next session.

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

#### Any other Business.

#### Issue related to the ECO Scale of Assessment

10. The Council agreed with the suggestion made by Azarbaijan's Permanent Representative to make necessary coordination with his capital on the subject matter.

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

#### Date of the next Meeting.

11. The CPR agreed to hold its 46<sup>th</sup> Meeting on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2000 at 1000 hours at the ECO Secretariat.

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