RESOLUTION No. 14 /7 - P (IS)
ON THE SITUATION IN CYPRUS ADOPTED BY THE ISLAMIC SUMMIT

The Seventh Islamic Summit Conference (Session of Fraternity and Revival), held in Casablanca, Kingdom of Morocco, from 11 to 13 Rajab, 1415H, corresponding to 13-15 December, 1994,

**Reaffirming** the previous resolutions of the Islamic Conferences on the question of Cyprus which express firm support for the rightful cause of the Turkish Muslim Community of Cyprus who constitute an integral part of the Islamic world;

**Reiterating** its support for the efforts of the UN Secretary General under his mission of good offices towards a negotiated settlement mutually acceptable to both sides;

**Welcoming**, in this context, the acceptance by the Turkish Cypriot side of the package of confidence building measures suggested by the UN Secretary General following his assessment of November 1992 that it would be difficult to achieve any success in the negotiations towards a comprehensive settlement as long as the current crisis of confidence between the two sides continues;

**Noting** that there had been sufficient progress for the United Nations to implement the package of confidence building measures on the basis outlined in the UN Secretary General's complementary report of 28 June 1994 concerning his mission of good offices;

**Recalling** that in the more than 30 years since the establishment of UNFICYP, it has not been possible to achieve a negotiated settlement of the Cyprus problem;

**Mindful** of the necessity to respect the full equality of the two sides in Cyprus in order to facilitate the efforts towards an overall settlement;

**Recalling** its resolution adopted at the 20th Session as well as the resolution adopted by the Sixth Islamic Summit Conference which decided the enhancement of the participation of the Turkish Muslim community of Cyprus in the OIC;

**Welcoming** the Report of the Secretary General contained in document ICFM/22-94/PIL/D.9;

**Appreciating** the economic study on the Turkish Muslim Community of Cyprus undertaken by the Islamic Development Bank;

**Having considered** in this context the request of the Turkish Cypriot side for full membership in the Organization of the Islamic Conference;

**Expressing** its solidarity with the Turkish Muslim Community of Cyprus and its appreciation for their constructive efforts to attain a just and mutually acceptable settlement;

1. **Reaffirms** the full equality of the two parties in Cyprus as the principle enabling them to live side-by-side in security, peace and harmony without the one having the ability to exploit, oppress or threaten the other.

2. **Urges** the Member States to strengthen effective solidarity with the Turkish Muslim people of Cyprus and to increase and expand their relations in all fields and in particular in the fields of trade, tourism, culture, information, investment and sports.

3. **Decides** to support until the Cyprus problem is solved, the rightful claim of the Turkish Muslim Community of Cyprus for the right to be heard in all international fora where the Cyprus problem comes up for discussion, on the basis of equality of the two parties in Cyprus.

4. **Requests** the Secretary General to take appropriate action on the economic study on the Turkish Muslim Community of Cyprus undertaken by the Islamic Development Bank.

5. **Considers** that building of mutual confidence between the two parties in the island is essential to make progress towards an overall settlement of the question.

6. **Calls** on the two parties to cooperate fully with the UN Secretary General to achieve agreement on the modalities for implementing the confidence building measures at the earliest possible time.

7. **Decides** to remain seized of the request of the Turkish Muslim Community of Cyprus.

8. **Requests** the Secretary General to take all the necessary measures for the implementation of this Resolution and to make further recommendations as appropriate.

9. **Requests further** the Secretary General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to monitor closely developments in Cyprus and to present a comprehensive report to the next Islamic Summit and the Twenty-Third Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.