**RESOLUTION NO. 7 /37-POL**

**ADOPTED BY THE**

**ISLAMIC CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS**

**ON THE SITUATION IN CYPRUS**

The Thirty-Seventh Session of the Council of Foreign Ministers (Session of

Shared Vision of a More Secure and Prosperous Islamic World), held in Dushanbe, the

Republic of Tajikistan, from 4-6 Jamadul Thani 1431 H (18-20 May 2010),

**Recalling** its resolution No.6/3 1-P on the situation in Cyprus adopted at the 31st

Session of the Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers, held in Istanbul on 14-16 June

2004, which enabled the Turkish Muslim people of Cyprus to participate in the OIC

under the name of Turkish Cypriot State as envisaged by the UN Secretary-General’s

comprehensive settlement plan,

**Recalling** the resolution on the situation in Cyprus adopted by the 11th Session of

the Islamic Summit Conference held in Dakar, Republic of Senegal, on 13- 14 March

2008 (3/11-P (IS) and the resolution No.6/36-POL adopted by the 36th Session of the

Council of Foreign Ministers, held in Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic, on 23-25 May

2009, which reaffirm the full equality of the two parties in Cyprus and call upon the

international community to take, without further delay, concrete steps to end the isolation

of the Turkish Cypriot people,

**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 people

of Cyprus who constitute an integral part of the Islamic world,

**Reiterating** its continued support for the efforts of the UN Secretary-General

under his mission of Good Offices towards a comprehensive settlement,

**Reiterating** once again its call on the two parties in Cyprus to reciprocally

acknowledge each other’s equal status,

**Taking note** of the results of the simultaneous referenda held separately on 24

April 2004 in both sides of Cyprus; and deeply regretting that contrary to international

calls, the Greek Cypriot side overwhelmingly rejected the UN settlement plan, whereas

the Turkish Cypriot side approved the plan with a clear majority for the reunification of

the Island and the EU membership,

**Expressing** its support for the ongoing negotiations for a comprehensive

settlement of the Cyprus problem, initiated under the auspices of the UN Secretary-

General’s Good Offices Mission on the 3rd of September 2008 and the willingness

shown by the Turkish Cypriot side and Turkey for a just and lasting settlement,

**Monitoring** the negotiation process aiming to reach a settlement, on the basis of

the political equality of the two sides and the equal status of the two Constituent States

which will bring about a new bi-zonal Partnership State,

**Expressing** its solidarity with the Turkish Cypriots and its appreciation for their

constructive efforts to attain a just and mutually acceptable settlement,

**Underlining** that a just and lasting settlement in the Island through the ongoing

UN process can only be reached if the Turkish Cypriot constructiveness in negotiations is

properly reciprocated,

**Noting** the desire of the Turkish Muslim people of Cyprus to fully integrate with

the international community, at a time when they are still left in isolation as the victim of

an outcome in which they have no fault,

**Recalling** that the UN Plan of March 2004 for the comprehensive settlement of

the Cyprus issue aimed to establish a new state of affairs in Cyprus, respecting the

principle of equal political status of the Turkish Cypriot and Greek Cypriot sides and

acknowledging that neither side may claim authority or jurisdiction over the other,

**Welcoming** the successful conclusion of granting observer status to the Turkish

Cypriot State in the ISSF,

**Referring** to the proposal declared by the Republic of Turkey on 24 January 2006

for simultaneous lifting of all restrictions on both sides of Cyprus, which if implemented,

will contribute to achieving a durable comprehensive settlement of the Cyprus issue,

**Considering** that the massive arms build-up and construction of air and naval

bases by the Greek Cypriot side constitute a threat to peace and stability in the Island and

the region,

**Noting** the report of the Secretary General on the situation in Cyprus contained in

document (OIC/CFM-37/2010/POL/SG.REP),

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 one having the ability to govern, exploit, oppress or

threaten the other;

2. **Calls upon** the international community to encourage the Greek

Cypriot side to work constructively for an early comprehensive

solution to the Cyprus issue on the basis of the established UN

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solution to the Cyprus issue on the basis of the established UN

parameters culminated in the UN Settlement Plan of 2004;

9. **Requests** the Secretary General to secure the continuation of the

necessary contacts with the Islamic Development Bank with a view to

seek ways and means of the latter’s assistance for the development

projects of the Turkish Cypriot side;

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 10. **Acknowledges** the desire of the Turkish Cypriot people to travel freely

to the OIC Member Countries;

11. **Decides** to remain seized of the request of the Turkish Cypriot side for

full membership to the OIC;

12. **Urges** the Member States to inform the Secretariat of the action taken

regarding the implementation of its previous resolutions and

particularly Resolutions No.2/31-P, No.6/35-P, No.6/36-POL and

No.3/11-P (IS);

13. **Requests** the Secretary General to take all necessary measures for the

implementation of this resolution, make further recommendations as

appropriate and to report thereon to the Thirty-eighth Session of the

Council of Foreign Ministers.