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(d) Agriculture, Industry and Tourism

- Agriculture

143. The Council appreciated with thanks the offer of the Republic of Turkey to host the 5th Ministerial Meeting on Agriculture and 2nd Donors' Conference on the implementation of the ECO Regional Programme for Food Security (ECO-RPFS) in 2012.

144. The Council requested the Secretariat and Turkey as coordinating country for the implementation of the RPFS to arrange joint missions to donor/funding institutions to pave the way for their active participation and contribution to the implementation of the RPFS.

145. The Council requested the Secretariat to prepare a background paper on the implementation of RPFS and submit it to the 2nd Coordination Meeting on the implementation of the RPFS in the last quarter of 2011. The background paper will include possible ways and means for ensuring financial contribution and support of the Member States to the implementation of RPFS. It also requested the Secretariat to include issues related to financial contribution of the Member States to the RPFS in the agenda of ECO Ministerial Meeting on Finance and Economy.

146. The Council urged the Member States to prepare project proposals and submit them to the 2nd Coordination Meeting for necessary action. It took note of four project proposals prepared by Turkey related to animal diseases, pastures, pest management and extension services.

147. The Council appreciated with thanks the preparation of a Regional Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Project by FAO in cooperation with the ECO Secretariat for seeking financial assistance from the Global Agriculture and Food Security Programme (GAFSP). The project document will be submitted to the CPR for endorsement and authorizing Secretary General to sign the document.

148. The Council appreciated the preparation of a Technical Cooperation Project (TCP) with the amount of US\$ 450.000 by the Secretariat and FAO upon the request of Turkey for the implementation of the PERFS. It also appreciated that a second project for the same purpose to be financed by the Turkey-FAO Partnership Program (FTPP) had been submitted to the FTPP Steering Committee (SC) for review/approval in May 2011. The two project documents will be submitted to

CPR for approval and authorization of Secretary General to sign them. The Council requested the CPR to consider the allocation of seed money for these projects from ECO FGPF.

149. The Council requested Member States (except Afghanistan, Iran, Pakistan and Turkey) to finalize the necessary action to apply to IDB through their Ministries of Finance and other donor institutions to follow-up the financial support for their national projects under the RPFS.

150. The Council took note with appreciation that the 3rd ECOSA International Seed Trade Conference would be held in Turkey in November 2011 and requested the Member States to actively participate in the Conference. It welcomed the decision of the 2nd General Assembly of the ECOSA held in 2010 in Istanbul to organize workshops/training courses in the fields of Plant Variety Protection (PVP) (in Iran), the Seed Testing (in Pakistan) and Field Control (in Azerbaijan in cooperation with Turkey).

151. The Council welcomed the proposal of the 2nd Phase of Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP) Project, which was prepared by FAO, ECO and ICARDA with a budget of 5.9 million USD and submitted to European Union (EU) and IDB for full or partial financial assistance. The Council requested the Secretariat to submit the final project document to be revised in line with the comments/views of the donor agencies to CPR for endorsement and authorization of Secretary General to sign it.

152. The Council welcomed the ECO/FAO-SEC Project on Seed Sector Development in the region proposed by Turkey within the scope of FAO-Turkey Partnership Programme (FTTP) with an amount of 350.000 USD from FTTP + 50.000 from ECO Feasibility Fund = 400.000 USD, which will be signed between Turkey, ECO and FAO after approval of CPR.

153. Recalling the relevant decision of 19th COM to establish ECO Center for Efficient Utilization of Water in the field of Agriculture in Islamabad, Pakistan, the Council requested the concerned authorities of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan and ECO Secretariat to sign an agreement for the utilization of US\$ 50.000 from ECO Feasibility and General Purposes Fund (ECO-FGPF) as seed money in this regard.

154. The Council thanked Pakistani authorities for organizing the Working Group Meeting on the Establishment of ECO Center for Efficient Utilization of Water for Agriculture and requested the Member States to offer hosting the 2nd Working Group Meeting in 2011.

155. The Council appreciated with thanks the initiative of the ECO Secretariat and ECOSA for preparation of a Directory of the public and private seed companies in the ECO Member States and requested the Member States to provide necessary information in this regard.

156. The Council thanked Member States for signing of MOU for the establishment of (ECO-RCRM) and requested Uzbekistan also to sign it.

157. The Council welcomed the agreement signed between ECO Secretariat and the Meteorological Organization of the Islamic Republic of Iran (IRIMO) for the utilization of \$ 50.000/- USD from the ECO-FGPF for establishment of the ECO Regional Center for Risk Management of Natural Disasters (ECO-RCRM) and requested IRIMO to organize Working Group Meeting and Training Programme on Climate Modelling and Natural Disasters in ECO Region.

158. The Council appreciated that the Turkish State Meteorological Service had prepared four international training programs for the ECO Member States in 2011 as follows and requested the Member States to actively attend them:

- a. Training Course on "Flash Flood Forecasting Model Concept", Istanbul Facilities of RTC Turkey, September 2011.
- b. Training Course on "Basics of Calibration", Ankara Facilities of RTC Turkey, 12 to 14 September 2011.
- c. Training Course on "Basics of Numerical Weather Prediction and Practices", Alanya Facilities of RTC Turkey, 26 to 30 September 2011.
- d. Training Course on "Climate Analysis and Applications", Alanya Facilities of RTC Turkey, 10 to 19 October 2011.

159. The Council requested the Member States to designate their focal points for the Working Group established by the 3rd ECO Heads of Meteorological Organizations Meeting held in 2010 in Antalya to work on developing projects under cooperation proposals put forward by Turkey.

160. The Council requested the Republic of Azerbaijan to specify the exact dates of the 3rd Meeting of the ECO Heads of Meteorological Organizations to be held in 2011.

161. Recalling the relevant decision of 19th COM to establish ECO Veterinary Commission (ECO-VECO) in Tehran as a specialized agency of ECO, the Council requested the Member States to sign/ratify its statute.

162. The Council appreciated the offer of Islamic Republic of Iran to host Training workshop on Management of Food and Mouth Disease for one week in late September 2011 in Tehran and a training workshop on laboratory diagnose animal disease in Kerman in mid of December 2011 respectively.

163. Recalling the relevant decision of the 19th COM, the Council appreciated the offer of the Islamic Republic of Iran to hold the 2nd Expert Group Meeting on bio-safety in 9-11 October, 2011 for the establishment of the ECO-ABN.

- Industry

164. The Council asked the Republic of Kazakhstan to confirm hosting the 4th ECO Ministerial and 3rd HLEG Meetings on Industry in 2011 at its earliest convenience.

165. The Council appreciated the establishment of the Interim Coordinating Unit (ICU) at ECO Secretariat and requested the Member States to sign (except Afghanistan, Iran and Turkey) and ratify the Statute of RISCAM. For early operationalisation of RISCAM, the Council also requested the Member States in collaboration with ECO Secretariat to expedite the accomplishment of tasks assigned to ICU in the Road Map for the provisional implementation of RISCAM Statute.

166. The Council thanked the Islamic Republic of Iran for the offer hosting a workshop on conformity assessment in 18-20, July 2011. It also thanked Turkey for hosting of two workshops on standardization and accreditation at the second week of December 2011. The Council requested Kazakhstan to consider hosting the workshop on metrology and convey the exact dates and details to ECO Secretariat at the earliest. The delegate of Turkey declared that in case there is no other voluntary country, Turkey is ready to host the 5th EGM on Standardization, Conformity Assessment, Accreditation and Metrology in 2012.

167. The Council appreciated the offer of Islamic Republic of Iran to host the 1st Task Force Meeting of relevant experts for the establishment of a database on Standardization, Conformity Assessment, Accreditation and Metrology and related website in 2011/2012. The exact date and

details of this meeting would be determined based on the relevant information to be gathered from the Member States by ECO Secretariat.

168. The Council thanked Islamic Republic of Iran for its offer to host the 6th Meeting of the ECO Heads of Privatization Administration and the 5th Meeting of HLEG on Privatization and Private Sector Development on 3-4 September, 2011 in Tehran. The Council thanked Republic of Turkey for launching the ECO Website on Privatization and requested from the Member States uploading the required data into the website and designate their focal points for this purpose. It was noted that upon completion of this process, Turkey would organize a training workshop for the focal points on the utilization of the website and in concurrence with this another workshop on public-private partnership. The Council also took note that Turkey is ready to extend training and technical assistance on privatization practices to the experts from the Member States.

169. The Council appreciated Republic of Turkey for organizing the 1st Coordination Committee Meeting on Industrial Property Rights in the last quarter of 2011. The Council reiterated its request from the Member States to actively involve in this area of cooperation. The delegate of Turkey requested the Member States to work on specifying their needs and come up with proposals to be considered by the Committee to determine possible areas of cooperation. The Council also requested the Member States (except Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Iran, Pakistan, and Uzbekistan) to convey the filled-in questionnaire prepared by Turkish Patent Institute for organizing a training workshop.

170. The Council requested acceleration of implementation of the agreed projects proposed during the 3rd ECO Steering Committee Meeting on Entrepreneurship and SME Development. In case there is no volunteering country to host the 4th Steering Committee Meeting, Islamic Republic of Iran may consider hosting it in 2012. The Council requested Member States to convey their views on priorities, agenda items, opinions and / or comments well before the meeting in order to organize an effective and fruitful meeting. It also requested the designation of national focal points for SME cooperation.

171. The Council appreciated the readiness of KOSGEB of Turkey to share its experience on KOSGEB Business Matching Model to establish Business Matching Centers in ECO Member Countries to create business linkages between SMEs and to enhance the trade volume between ECO countries and also to share its experience on Technology Development Models and Technology Development Centers.

172. The Council requested Iran and Pakistan to circulate their proposals on "ECO SME Virtual Fair Project" and "ECO IDENE Project", respectively.

173. Taking into consideration the positive synergy and the spill-over effects to create common policies and practices in ECO Member Countries, the Council requested Member States to organize best practices workshops on SMEs. In this regard the Council thanked the Islamic Republic of Iran for holding the Workshop/Training Course on Industrial Clusters Development, Best Practice for SMEs Governmental Experts of ECO Member States in February, 2011.

174. The Council requested the Member States to expedite the conveyance of their views on “ECO SME Expert Exchange Project” and “ECO SME Country Report Project” proposed by KOSGEB of Turkey.

175. The Council appreciated the efforts of Iran for the establishment of ECO Nanotechnology Network and thanked Iran for hosting the 1st Steering Committee Meeting ECO-NANO. The Council requested Iran to submit modified version of the project Water Treatment by Nano-Filtration Method.

176. The Council requested Iran to finalize the project proposals (Phase 1&2) “Identifying potential Transferors and Transferees in the ECO Region” and “Identifying Supporters of Technology Transfer Process in the Region” in collaboration with ECO Secretariat for submission to CPR for the allocation of US \$ 50,000/- from the Feasibility Study Fund and requested Member States to participate in the activities of ECO Technology Transfer Centre and updating the website of ETT.

177. The Council requested the Republic of Kazakhstan to confirm to the Secretariat about their interest to follow up the proposal made for the Establishment of ECO Representative Office for Development of Science and New Technologies in Almaty, otherwise this item may be removed from ongoing programmes.

178. The council requested the Secretariat to follow up joint activities with Colombo Plan especially on “Training Program on SME’s” in collaboration with Colombo Plan Secretariat and Islamic Development Bank (IDB).

- Tourism

179. The Council requested Tajikistan to inform the Secretariat about their readiness for hosting the 3rd Ministerial Meeting and the 5th High Level Experts Group (HLEG) Meeting on Tourism in 2011/12 at the earliest convenience.

180. The Council thanked Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Iran and Turkey for their pledge to provide financial contribution to the ECO Tourism Promotion Fund. The Council requested the remaining Member States to contribute to the Fund, and also requested all Member States to nominate their representatives for the Board of the Trustees of the Fund.

181. The Council requested Afghanistan to announce the details for hosting the Working Group Meeting on Revival of Silk Road within one month.

182. The Council appreciated the publication of first ECO Tourism Guidebook in 5000 copies and thanked the ECO Secretariat, ECO Cultural Institute and the Iranian Cultural and Heritage Tourism Organization (ICHTO) for their contribution.

183. The Council requested Islamic Republic of Iran to confirm hosting of 1st ECO Nations Sport Competitions.

184. The Council appreciated the Islamic Republic of Iran and ECO Cultural Institute (ECI) for holding the first ECO Youth Ministerial Meeting in November 2010 in Tehran and welcomed the offer of Pakistan during the same meeting for hosting the second meeting.

185. In accordance with the report of the 2nd ECO Ministers of Tourism Meeting, the Council requested Republic of Turkey to finalize the preparations for Joint sports tournament and tourism related event in Turkish Cypriot State for 2011/12.

186. The Council appreciated the proposal made by Turkey on technical assistance and cooperation among the Member States in order to undertake in-depth tourism policy reviews of individual Member States. The Council invited Member States to propose joint mechanisms at ECO level in this regard.