

UZBEKISTAN'S CURRENT RELATIONS WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF ISLAMIC COOPERATION

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ABSTRACT

This article discusses Uzbekistan's current relations with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation. In addition, the goals, objectives and relations of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation with Uzbekistan will be analyzed. It focuses on economic, social, political, cultural and educational rights, and the elimination of all forms of violence and discrimination.

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INTRODUCTION

The Organization of Islamic Cooperation was established on September 25, 1969 (12 Rajab, 1389 AH) at the first meeting of the heads of Islamic states, held in Robot, the capital of Morocco. Six months later, a meeting of OIC foreign ministers was held in Saudi Arabia. Iyad ibn Amin al-Madani, OIC Secretary General since January 2014. The organization

officially operates in English, Arabic and French.

The OIC is the largest Islamic organization in the world. Twenty-five countries in Asia and Africa were originally members of the OIC. Fifty-seven states now have a population of about two billion. The main goals and objectives of the organization are:

- First, to harmonize the ties of friendship and solidarity between member states;

- Second, to solve the problems that have arisen in the Islamic world;
- Thirdly, respect for the domestic laws of the state;
- Fourth, protection of human rights;
- Fifth, to promote the economic development of member states;
- Sixth, the elimination of various unfair and misleading information about Islam;

THE MAIN FINDINGS AND RESULTS

Uzbekistan became a member of this organization in 1996, and since then the Republic has been actively participating in all conferences of the Organization and making a worthy contribution. In January 2007, one of the institutions of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, the International Islamic Organization for Education, Science and Culture (ISESCO), declared Tashkent the capital of Islamic culture. According to the decision of the 9th Conference of Ministers of Culture of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), Bukhara (Uzbekistan), Cairo (Egypt) and Bamako (Mali) have been

approved as the capitals of Islamic culture in 2020.

Uzbekistan joined the new OIC Charter on December 14, 2015. The Uzbek side recognizes the OIC as an authoritative and effective forum of the Islamic world, which recognizes our sacred religion as a factor of peace and development. Therefore, we are interested in the strengthening of this Organization and the steady development of our relations. Official delegations of our country regularly take part in the OIC summits and the annual sessions of the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers. Especially in recent years, Uzbekistan's cooperation with the OIC has intensified and reached a new level of relations. The 43rd session of the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers was held in Tashkent on October 18-19, 2016. In his speech at the opening ceremony of the session, President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev drew attention to the priorities of the presidency of the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers of Uzbekistan. As the head of our state noted, it is symbolic that the theme "Education and enlightenment - the path to peace and prosperity" is the main idea of the

agenda of the 43rd session. This idea is in line with the famous hadith, "Seek knowledge from the cradle to the grave". In this regard, it is no coincidence that the initiatives put forward by the Uzbek side are directly linked to the development of science and education.

It should be noted that this year Uzbekistan is chairing the OIC Commission. In this sense, it is no coincidence that this year's annual seminar of the Commission will be held in the capital of our country. The OIC Independent Standing Committee on Human Rights supports the efforts of OIC member states to improve legislation aimed at strengthening the rights of women, youth and the needy. It focuses on economic, social, political, cultural and educational rights, and the elimination of all forms of violence and discrimination. It should be noted that over the past 2-3 years, Uzbekistan's cooperation with the Independent Permanent Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation has intensified and reached a new level.

The information on the results of the Asian

Forum on Human Rights in Samarkand made a great impression on our partners. The forum also exchanged views on the international initiatives of Uzbekistan, the adoption of the UN General Assembly Resolution on Enlightenment and Religious Tolerance, the process of drafting the UN International Convention on the Rights of the Child.

The 6th Annual Seminar of the OIC Independent Permanent Commission on Human Rights in Tashkent will discuss the importance of promoting and protecting the rights of young people in building a peaceful, democratic society and sustainable development.

The OIC is the largest area in the world with the largest number of young people. It is estimated that by 2050, a third of the world's youth will be young people from OIC countries. In other words, the fact that the population of the OIC member states now and in the future will be dominated by young people means that the regions have unparalleled potential and opportunities for industry, innovation and development. At the same time, these

countries will have to deal with serious problems while using such a huge potential. For example, for a large number of young people in this vast region, it will not be easy to provide quality education and vocational training, to create enough jobs. In addition, it is necessary to facilitate the entry of young professionals into the labor market in the post-graduate period, to create equal opportunities for girls and boys to get an education, learn a profession and take a worthy place in the labor market. In some countries of the OIC space, including Uzbekistan, the majority of young people are not socially active, they are excluded from socio-political life and important political decision-making processes. This, in turn, calls for a serious focus on integrating the youth of the Muslim world and exploiting their potential. There is only one way to be effective in this regard: the search for solutions to “youth problems” must be replaced by “youth rights” goals. This approach has two advantages. First, the rights of young people will be ensured, and second, the potential of the younger generation will be used to build peaceful democratic societies and

ensure sustainable development.

Given the urgency and urgency of this issue, the Independent Standing Committee on Human Rights of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation has decided to hold an international seminar on this topic in the capital of our country. Ways and means of improving the existing legal, administrative and political practices in the youth strategies of all OIC countries, including Uzbekistan, are expected to be proposed. So that our young people have the opportunity and potential to make a practical contribution to building a decent society and sustainable development.

Uzbekistan has a worthy place in the world community, so multifaceted cooperation in the field of youth support is very important. In today's context of globalization and rapid development of information and communication technologies, the President proposed to develop a generalized international legal document aimed at the formation and implementation of youth policy. The theme of the 6th annual seminar of the Independent Permanent Commission on

Human Rights of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation in Tashkent is “The importance of promoting and protecting the rights of young people in building a peaceful, democratic society and sustainable development” is another indication.

In addition, President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev took part in the fifteenth summit of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) in Ashgabat on 28 November 2021. Focusing on the international and regional situation, the economic difficulties in the context of the ongoing pandemic, the President put forward a number of specific proposals on priority areas of cooperation. We need to take full advantage of the huge trade and investment potential of our countries, which have a population of more than 500 million and a huge market. On the basis of the adopted conceptual program “OIC Prospects – 2025”, it is expedient to further expand trade, economic and investment ties between our countries and, most importantly, to achieve practical results, - said the President of Uzbekistan.

The head of state spoke about the situation in neighboring Afghanistan. The country is facing a serious humanitarian crisis, Shavkat Mirziyoyev said. Without the help of the international community, including its close neighbors, the Afghan people alone will not be able to withstand these difficult tests. The organization has launched an initiative to introduce an annual naming tradition for the development of a particular industry. The President proposed to declare 2022 in the OIC as the year of strengthening interdependence. At the end of the summit, the Ashgabat Consensus for Action was signed. The document embodies the important priorities of the member states to further develop and strengthen regional economic cooperation.

In addition, on October 19, 2021, the Chairman of the Central Election Commission Z. Nizamkhodjaev met with the head of the observer mission of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation Anisul Haq. During the meeting, members of the mission discussed the upcoming presidential election. It was noted that the election campaign is carried out in accordance with the requirements of the

Electoral Code and democratic principles. It was also noted that the Central Election Commission has completed the process of accreditation of international observers and media representatives, and to date the number of observers from foreign countries and international organizations participating in the election of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan is about a thousand. Anisul Haq, Director of the International Relations Department of the OIC General Secretariat: "Uzbekistan is one of the 57 member organizations of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation. We are very pleased that the Central Election Commission and the Government of Uzbekistan have sent an invitation to our organization to participate in the presidential election as observers. This political process in Uzbekistan is very important not only for Uzbekistan, but also for the world community. We will begin our work on October 20 as a full-time observer. The mission will report on the results of the observation and issue a statement on the organization of the elections.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, based on the above information, it is clear that this cooperation has played an important role in the development of Uzbekistan. It is also worth noting the strengthening of friendly relations between the two countries on the basis of cooperation. There are also several agreements between Uzbekistan and this cooperation, which are expected to be implemented in the future and achieve great results. And we believe that this cooperation will bring great opportunities to Uzbekistan in the future.

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