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THE ORGANIZATION OF ISLAMIC COOPERATION AND THE PROSPECTS OF UZBEKISTAN RELATIONS

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Abstract

This article discusses the establishment of relations between the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and Uzbekistan, the basis of the organization's activities, mutual agreement and negotiations.

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INTRODUCTION

The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), considered the world's second largest organization in terms of the number of members, was founded on September 25, 1969 in Rabat, Morocco.

At that time, the goals of the organization were to ensure unity among Muslim countries in the social, economic and political spheres, to fight against colonialism, neo-colonialism and racism, and to support the Palestine Liberation Organization.



Organization of Islamic Cooperation

Over time, OIC has become a platform for interstate cooperation that protects the rights and interests of the Islamic world. It unites 57 countries with a total population of 1.7 billion.

Headquartered in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, this organization was called the Organization of the Islamic Conference until 2011. There are four permanent

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committees of the IHT, these are committees on Jerusalem, information and cultural issues, trade and economic cooperation, and scientific and technical cooperation.

MAIN PART

It is no secret that the Republic of Uzbekistan has established a permanent comprehensive cooperation with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation. Today, 57 countries with a population of about 2 billion are members of the OIC. This large-scale cooperation plays an important role in achieving the noble goals of preserving and developing the sacred values of Islam, strengthening unity among Muslim nations, ensuring sustainable development, and contributing to the development and wellbeing of the peoples of the member countries of the organization.

The UN, Russia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the Central African Republic have observer status in the OIC. Uzbekistan was admitted to this organization as an observer in October 1995, and as a full member since October 2, 1996.

It should be noted that Uzbekistan joined the new Charter of OIC on December 14, 2015. The IHT Charter was ratified by the Oliy Majlis of the Republic of Uzbekistan in April 2016.

The Uzbek side recognizes the OIC as an influential and effective forum of the countries of the Islamic world that recognize our holy religion as a factor of peace and development. Therefore, we are interested in the strengthening of this Organization and the consistent development of our mutual relations.

Official delegations of our country regularly participate in OIC summits and annual sessions of the Council of Foreign Ministers of OIC. Especially in recent years, Uzbekistan's cooperation with the OIC has become more active and has reached a new level of mutual relations.

The 43rd session of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the OIC, which took place in Tashkent on October 18-19, 2016, was of particular importance. In his speech at the opening ceremony of this session, the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev focused on the priority tasks during his presidency of the Council of Foreign Ministers of the OIC of Uzbekistan (from October 2016 to July 2017).

As the head of our state noted, the theme "Education and enlightenment - the path to peace and creativity" is the main idea of the agenda of the 43rd session, which has a deep symbolic meaning. This idea is in line with the famous hadith, "Seek knowledge from the cradle to the grave." From this point of view, the initiatives put forward by Uzbekistan are directly related to the development of science and enlightenment.

The President of Uzbekistan also spoke about the development of science, spirituality and enlightenment in his speech at the First Science and Technology Summit of the OIC held in Astana (Kazakhstan) on September 10, 2017. put practical proposals on the agenda. At the moment, the noble initiatives announced by the leader of the OIC from the high platforms of the OIC are being widely implemented.

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It is known that on October 7-8, 2019, the 6th annual seminar of the OIC Independent Standing Commission on Human Rights on the topic "The importance of promoting and protecting youth rights in the path of building peaceful, democratic societies and sustainable development" will be held in our capital. took place. The participants of the international conference supported the initiative of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan to adopt the UN International Convention on the Rights of Youth, which he put forward at the 72nd session of the UN General Assembly.

It is no coincidence that the OIC Independent Permanent Commission on Human Rights chose the issue of youth rights for its major international conference. After all, today young people make up a large part of the population in most countries, especially in the OIC member states. Our insensitive approach to this segment of the population inevitably threatens stability and peace in our societies.

The participants of the Tashkent conference adopted the final document - the Tashkent Declaration on the rights of youth in the member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation. The declaration describes the important initiatives to be implemented in the future at the international level and by OIC member countries in order to fully ensure the rights of young people.

On May 24 of this year in Jeddah between the National Center of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Human Rights and the Independent Standing Commission for Human Rights of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation Memorandum on mutual **cooperation was signed**. The signing ceremony of the memorandum took place at the end of the international seminar on "The role of national human rights institutions in the protection and promotion of human rights in the member countries of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation". The Chairman of the Independent Standing Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, Hadji Ali Achikgyul, noted that the Memorandum will serve for many years in the field of human rights protection and will serve as the most optimal mechanism for joint activities. He emphasized that it is a worthy example for national institutions. At the 19th international session of the Independent Standing Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, the delegation of Uzbekistan presented information about the work being carried out within the framework of the National Strategy of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Human Rights. Speaking in detail about the systematic activities of the National Center for Human Rights of the Republic of Uzbekistan in this regard, comprehensive reforms implemented in our country, including new laws adopted in the field of human rights, Uzbekistan's experience in the field of human rights education was given and a number of suggestions were made based on the theme of the event.

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The participants of the session were also given detailed information about the goals and tasks for human rights defined in the development strategy of New Uzbekistan for 2022-2026.

It should be noted that the members of the Independent Permanent Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation expressed great interest in the Global Forum on Human Rights Education, which will be held in Tashkent in October this year.

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