



**Code of Conduct for the Member States of
the Organization of Islamic Cooperation on
Combating International Terrorism**

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The Member States of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation :

In accordance with the precepts of our tolerant Islamic religion, which rejects terrorism in all its forms and manifestations and call for strengthening brotherhood and solidarity among the Muslims as well as avoiding divisiveness and discord.

In keeping with the provisions of the OIC Charter and its objectives of bringing about an appropriate climate for strengthening cooperation and understanding among Member States, respecting their sovereignty, territorial integrity, national stability and security and non-interference in their internal affairs;

Recalling the Makkah Al-Mukarramah Declaration issued by the Third Islamic Summit and the Resolution No.16/6-P of the Sixth Islamic Summit Conference in Dakar;

In the face of continuing terrorist acts in all their forms and manifestations, including those where States are involved directly or indirectly, and which spread violence and terror and constitute a serious threat to international peace, stability and security;

Taking into consideration and respecting the relevant international legal instruments;

Proceeding from the conviction that there is an international consensus on combating terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, eliminating the evils and causes of terrorism directed against the life and property of innocent people and sovereignty and territorial integrity of States;

Emphasizing the importance of international and regional cooperation, especially among member states, in effectively combating all forms of terrorism;

Convinced also of the need for drawing clear-cut and agreed upon international criteria, enabling to differentiate clearly between terrorism and peoples' struggle for national liberation against all forms of colonialism, occupation and racial discrimination.

Confirming the inalienable and legitimate right to self-determination and independence for all people living under colonial and racist regimes and foreign occupation, and particularly the struggle of national liberation movements;

HAVE AGREED ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. Declaring that terrorism cannot be justified under any circumstances and thus they unequivocally condemn all acts, methods and practices of terrorism regardless of their origins, causes and purposes, without prejudice to the legitimate rights of people under occupation to struggle for their independence and self-determination in conformity with the provisions of the OIC and UN Charters;
2. They express their strong commitment to combat terrorism and to take firm and effective bilateral and collective steps to prevent acts of terrorism in all its forms, and in order to achieve that end; they will strive in particular to:
 - a) Reaffirm their commitment to refrain from undertaking, attempting or participating in any way in financing; instigating or supporting directly or indirectly acts of terrorism.
 - b) Take all necessary measures to ensure that their territories are not used for planning, organizing, executing, initiating or participating in any terrorist activity including infiltration of terrorist elements into their countries as well as taking residence therein, individually or collectively, and also the harbouring, training, arming, financing, recruiting or providing any facilities to such elements likely to enable them to achieve their aims;
 - c) Enhance cooperation among Member States, in accordance with their internal laws and relevant International arrangements and conventions, in countering and combating terrorist acts, prosecuting their perpetrators or handing them over to their respective countries or the State where the act was committed, in accordance with their bilateral Agreements and arrangements, as well as cooperation in the fields of exchange of relevant information on terrorists and their activities.
3. They reaffirm their commitment to ensure the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and personnel, in accordance with relevant international conventions.
4. They affirm their determination and commitment to enhance their information and media activities so as to counter biased campaigns against Islam, by highlighting the true image of our noble religion and exposing the schemes of terrorist groups, duality of their message and the danger of their role to the stability and security of member states.

5. They underline the importance of introducing, in their educational curricula, the noble human values, principles and ethics of Islam which forbid the practice of terrorism.
6. They express their commitment to the principles and provisions of this Code of Conduct.
