

Minutes of the 10th ECOSAI Governing Board Meeting

April 28, 2005

Baku – Azerbaijan Republic

The 10th ECOSAI Governing Board Meeting was held on April 28, 2005 in Baku, Azerbaijan Republic. The following members attended the meeting as Heads of Delegations.

- Mr. Mehmet Damar, President of the Turkish Court of Accounts and President of ECOSAI.
 - Mr. Muhammad Yunis Khan, Auditor-General of Pakistan and Secretary General of ECOSAI.
 - Mr. Mohammad Reza Rahimi, President of the Supreme Audit Court of Iran
 - Mr. Namig Nasrullayev, Chairman, Chamber of Accounts, Azerbaijan Republic
 - Mr. Murat Saralinov, Chairman of the Accounts Chamber of the Kyrgyz Republic
2. Mr. Soner Vehbi, President of the Court of Audit of Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) attended the meeting as observer. The complete list of participants is at Annexure-I.

Opening of the Meeting

3. Mr. Namig Nasrullayev, Chairman, Chamber of Accounts of Azerbaijan Republic and host of the 10th ECOSAI Governing Board, formally inaugurated the Meeting and welcomed the delegates. Mr. Arif Rahimzade, First Vice Speaker of the Parliament of Azerbaijan Republic, in his address to the delegates, highlighted the importance of closer interaction between regional SAIs and lauded the efforts of ECOSAI in this regard. Thereafter the President of the Turkish Court of Accounts and President of ECOSAI, Mr. Mehmet Damar delivered the opening speech (Annex-II). He expressed satisfaction over the organization's achievements so far and expressed optimism that proceedings of this meeting will guide the organization in achieving its objectives.

4. Business of the Meeting

(i) Adoption of Agenda points.

The proposed agenda (Annex-III) for the 10th Governing Board Meeting was unanimously adopted.

(ii) Activity Report by the Secretary General.

The Auditor General of Pakistan/ Secretary General of ECOSAI presented the activity report (Annex-IV) of ECOSAI for the last year. He highlighted various initiatives taken by the organization and explained the progress made with respect to ECOSAI Directory, development of ECOSAI website and publishing of 5th issue of the ECOSAI Circular, and framing of Provisional Rules and Regulations for the ECOSAI.

(iii) Presentation of Annual Accounts for the Year Ended December 31, 2004.

Mr. Tanweer Ahmed, Director General, SAI Pakistan presented the accounts of ECOSAI for the year ending December 31, 2004 (Annexure-V).

(iv) Presentation of the 5th ECOSAI Training Committee Report.

Mr. Tanweer Ahmed, Director General, SAI Pakistan presented the report of the 5th ECOSAI Training Committee Meeting held on April 27, 2005 at Baku, Azerbaijan (Annexure-VI). The Training Committee report proposed to carry out Training Need Analysis of ECOSAI members before a comprehensive review of ECOSAI training calendar. The Governing Board approved the 5th ECOSAI Training Committee Report.

(v) Report on the Publication of the ECOSAI Circular by SAI Pakistan.

The SAI Pakistan circulated the fifth issue of ECOSAI Circular. The participants lauded the efforts of SAI Pakistan in this regard. The meeting suggested that in future all members should contribute articles of professional interest for the ECOSAI circular.

(vi) Report on Publishing of the ECOSAI Directory by the Secretariat.

The first copies of the ECOSAI Directory were distributed among all members, which include the profiles of the member SAIs in terms of their contact details, organizational

structures and statutory mandates. The participants lauded the efforts of the ECOSAI Secretariat for finalizing the ECOSAI Directory.

(vii) Report on the Development of the ECOSAI Website by the Secretariat.

The Secretariat presented the ECOSAI website and informed the participants about the developing and hosting of the website. The President appreciated the format and content of the ECOSAI website.

(viii) Determination of the Date and Venue of the Next BoG Meeting.

After some discussions, the SAI Turkey's delegation proposed and the 10th Governing Board decided that the 11th Governing Board Meeting of ECOSAI will be held in Turkey in the year 2006. The exact dates (tentatively in April 2006) will be conveyed by SAI Turkey after consultation with the member SAIs.

(ix) Other matters.

a) The Secretary General informed the 10th Governing Board about the ECOSAI Secretariat's previous correspondence with the INTOSAI relating to efforts made to have ECOSAI recognized as one of the regional group of INTOSAI. The Secretary General proposed that the Governing Board may decide to approach the INTOSAI Governing Board, in particular the Muslim countries on the BoG of INTOSAI, and missions of the Muslim countries for lending support to the ECOSAI's request for becoming a regional group of INTOSAI. The President of the ECOSAI referred to his interaction with the Chairman of the INTOSAI Governing Board in Budapest, and supported the Secretary General's proposal. The head of delegation of the SAI Azerbaijan also supported the proposal. It was decided that the Secretariat will prepare a draft letter for the INTOSAI's Governing Board and diplomatic missions of Muslim countries to solicit support for ECOSAI to be recognized as a regional group of INTOSAI. Before finalizing the approach letter, the draft will be circulated by the Secretariat among the ECOSAI members, and the final version will be sent to the President of ECOSAI for approval and signature.

b) The SAI Iran's delegation proposed that the ECOSAI should interact more closely with the ECO Secretariat and seek its assistance and consider registration of

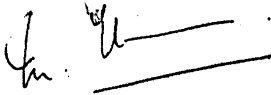
ECOSAI as a technical and professional body. The issue was discussed at some length. SAIs of Turkey and Azerbaijan expressed reservations and stated that the independence of the SAIs may not be compromised in the process of approaching other agencies for funding. The Secretary General suggested that the SAI of Iran may articulate a comprehensive suggestion on the subject before further action.

The meeting ended with a note of thanks to the Chair.

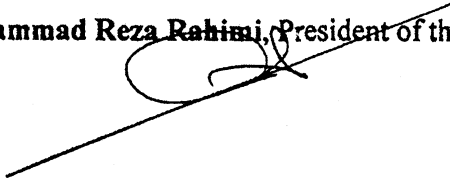
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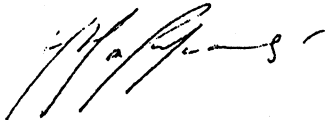
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