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We, Ministers and Delegations from OIC member countries, participating in the Fourth Session of the Islamic Conference of Health Ministers, have gathered in Jakarta, on 22 - 24 October 2013, under the theme "Better Nutrition, Better Health, Better Ummah".

We recall the OIC Ten Year Program of Action adopted by the Third Extraordinary Islamic Summit held in Makkah al Mukarramah in 2005 which highlighted the importance of fighting diseases and pandemics, and prioritizes mother and child health-care.

We also recall resolutions adopted by the previous Islamic Conferences of Health Ministers held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 12 - 15 June 2007, Tehran, Iran, 1 - 4 March 2009, and Astana, Kazakhstan, 29 September - 1 October 2011, respectively.

We appreciate efforts undertaken by the OIC Member States in implementing resolutions/outcomes of the previous Islamic Conference of Health Ministers; and commend the Steering Committee on Health for its efforts in monitoring the implementation of the health-related resolutions.

We reaffirm the right of every human being to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standards of health, without distinction as to race, religion, political belief, economic or social condition.

We recognize the challenges in global health, especially in terms of access to healthcare among and within countries and regions of the OIC which demand persistent attention.

We welcome the adoption of the OIC Strategic Health Program of Action (OIC - SHPA) for the period 2014 - 2023 and its Implementation Plan of the OIC - SHPA by the Fourth Session of the Islamic Conference of Health Ministers as the sound guideline for health cooperation of the OIC Member States. We further urge OIC Member States to devise the appropriate mechanisms for implementing and monitoring of the OIC - SHPA 2014 - 2023.

We further encourage Member States to strengthening of partnerships between Member States and implementing partners, through technical assistance and the sharing of best practices.

We call on OIC Member States to take part in the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement to advance global welfare, especially by investing in nutrition development.

We emphasize the importance to strengthen the national health systems, including through adequate health funding, primary health-care, and promotion of healthy lifestyle and enhanced manufacturing capacity of vaccines and pharmaceuticals product as well as recognize the establishment of OIC-Vaccine Manufacturers Group.

We support the Universal Health Coverage as a key to the realization of the fundamental right of every human being to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of health.

We commit to accelerating efforts in achieving health-related Millennium Development Goals, particularly in reducing children mortality, improving maternal health, and combating HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

We encourage Member States to take actions to increase their core capacities to implement the International Health Regulations (2005) through engagement with other countries and development partners.

We express support for the implementation of Pandemic Influenza Preparedness (PIP) Framework, including the Standard Material Transfer Agreement 2 (SMTA - 2); and appeal to the vaccine industries in the OIC countries to actively participate therein.

We further recognize the increase of mortality associated to non-communicable diseases such as cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes mellitus and respiratory diseases. We continue to support Member States in their effort to prevent and control NCD and its risk factor, including through the promotion of implementation of WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control.

We recognize the leading role of the World Health Organization as the primary specialized agency for health, including its roles and functions with regard to health policy in accordance with its mandate.

We note with appreciation the partnerships among UN Agencies and OIC Member States in achieving health related MDGs.

We express our appreciation for the Custodian of the two Holy Mosques for the arranges for Hajj and Umrah including health measures every year.

We reaffirm our support to the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) in fulfilling its mandate to make necessary arrangement with the World Health Organization and other relevant institutions to prepare program for combating diseases and pandemics;

We reaffirm the commitment of OIC Member States to achieve all Millennium Development Goals; and we continue to ensure that key health and health-related issues as fundamental goals in the Post - 2015 Development Agenda in attaining human well-being while further reaffirming the necessity of development of partnership between a variety of stakeholders at the local, national, regional and global levels aimed at addressing the multifaced determinants of global health.

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