

Final communiqué

In response to kind invitation from the council of Sates in republic of the Sudan , the association Senates , Shura, and equivalent councils in Africa and the Arab countries its ninth conference in and its 10th meeting of the association council in Khartoum during the period from 30-31 March 2016 being the 21st – 22nd Jomadi Althani 1437

The meeting was attended by the following member councils:

- Senate of Republic of Ethiopia
- Ummah council in the democratic people's republic of Algeria
- The Senate of Kingdom of Jordan
- Shura council of Bahrain
- The Senate of Burundi
- The |Senate of Gabon
- The Senate of Democratic republic of Congo
- The Senate of Nigeria
- Shura council in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- Shura council in Qatar
- The senate of Zimbabwe
- Council of advisors in Kingdom of Morocco
- Council of states in Sudan
- Delegation as an observer from Republic of Rwanda
- Delegation of Arab Parliament

The opening ceremony of the conference was held in Alslam Rotana Hotel in Khartoum under kind auspices of H.E. Field Marshal Omer Hassan Ahemd Elbasheer president of the Republic. His speech to the conference was presented by General Abdulrahman Elsadig Elmahdi – advisor to the president of the republic.

He welcomed the conference participants, and he mentioned that the association established to enhance the Arab and African relations to achieve peace and poverty reduction and corruption, and enhancing the

role of woman and youth, commending on the role of the Council of States in hosting this conference.

H.E. called the other countries to unite efforts for the welfare of Arab and African peoples world. Fianlly He thanked the current speaker of the association Mr. Yallou Abiety, he confirmed that the Sudanese are going forward to achieve peace and stability.

H.E. Dr. Omer Suliman Adam Wanies speaker of Council of States presented an elaborate speech that reflected welcome and happiness for the coming of the head of and members of delegations. He showed the interest of Republic of Sudan and the Council of States in particular as for what represents the association of noble values and goals that which serves the Arab and African ambitions . He also noted that what the association is seeking to achieve is the same what is exerting effort to do represented in boosting the joint Arab and African work. he also noted in his speech that Sudan will continue in supporting the efforts and activities of the association on different levels.

the speaker of Ethiopian house of federation – the speaker of the current association session Mr Yall Abeity said a speech contained detailed explanation to the work of the association in the previous year which was presented by the Ethiopian federal council. The speech contained also detailed explanation of activities of the association through a previous year specially the distinguished meeting of trade and industry chamber which was held in Addis 2015.

The speech of the speaker of the association affirmed the importance of exerting all efforts to activate the activities of the association in the coming session in a way that satisfies the aspirations of its members.

Also, the secretary general of the association Hon. Abdel Wasie Yousif Ali welcomed heads and members of delegations and thanked the republic of the Sudan for hosting this conference and wished that the conference will consider a number of issues submitted to it which are considered to boost the activities of the association to new levels.

The first session by Dr. Babiker Mohammad Toum, who presented a paper about unilateral sanctions and its economic impacts on Sudan .The paper showed the big damages caused by that unfair and unjustified sanctions on the republic of the Sudan and in the second session (in the evening) the secretary general of the association Mr. Abdel Wasie presented the annual report of the secretariat which included a comprehensive evaluation to activities and the events performed by the secretariat general during last year with a comprehensive elaboration to all what is achieved in the framework of the approved programs in the 8th conference of the association and what is not achieved due to some temporary developments and circumstances.

Three committees were formed to deliberate on the report of the secretary general and to present its recommendations to the conference.

The committees are:

- The financial committee
- Committee of programs
- In addition to the committee of final communiqué

After that the speakers of councils and head of delegations held a special meeting in which they reviewed the matters of special importance for the business and performance of the association and made the following recommendations.

In the second day 31st of March, working morning session was held which was presided over by Yallo Abiety , speaker of the association and the speaker of Ethiopian federal council , where a special paper was presented

On the performance of ASSECA within previous years (since its establishment).

Also the paper focused on the wide fields in which ASSECA can work to enhance the Arab-African corporation and to speed it especially if the required support is given to it from the member countries.

Mr. Fuwad Hagi the member of Bahrain Shura presented this paper. After that the speakers of councils and heads of delegation presented their speeches which reflected that great keenness of member councils for the success of ASSECA and achieving the goal which was established for, also the paper points the wideness of the membership of ASSECA to include the new countries which are not join.

The financial economic committees presented their reports before the conference which is discussed and approved.

The evening session:

Read and discuss and approve the final report.

The recommendations:

- 1- The conference appreciates the efforts of the Council of States to arrange and convene the meeting.
- 2- The conference thanks the Sudanese government and people and Council of States for hospitality and welcome.
- 3- The conference approves the recommendations which are presented by the committees of the conference:
 - a) Financial committee.
 - b) Program committee.
 - c) Economic committee.
 - d) Peace and reconciliation committee.
- 4- The conference signed the body as presented by balance committee.
- 5- With regard to general issues the conference validated the importance of the efforts of the contribution countries of the international community to control terrorism which is considered as the major threat to the world.
- 6- The conference condemns the foreign intervention and activities that aim to unrest the member countries also the conference supports the reasonable decision that has been taken by Arab league and gulf states councils which consider the Lebanon Hezbollah as a terrorism organization, therefore it has to be applying the punishment according to international law.

- 7- The conference appreciate the efforts have been made by the Kingdom of Jordan to receive the Syrian refugees and cause the international community to submit the aids and help to Jordan government.
- 8- The conference confirms the solidarity to find fair resolution to Palestinian problems, and failure to do so that would contribute the conflict.
- 9- The conference confirms the solidarity with the government and people of Sudan that objected to unilateral punishment and economic sanction imposed by some countries the resulted the deep suffering of Sudanese people.
- 10- The conference confirmed the importance and mobilizing of ASSECA members to support the Sudan to get rid of these unfair sanctions.
- 11- The conference confirms to form a committee from (Algeria, Bahrain, Ethiopia and Nigeria) to work and clarifying the effect and damage caused by the unfair sanction on Sudan.
- 12- The conference welcomed the coming back of the senate from democratic republic of Congo to exercise its activities in the association after a long absence from the activities of the association. It is worth noting that it was among the founding councils of the association. After reading the final communiqué there was handing over of the leadership of the association from Yallo Abiety , the ethipian federal council speaker to Dr. Omer Suleiman Adam Wanis the spear of the council of states in Sudan...Dr. Omer Suleiman talked saying that assuming the responsibility of the association is a duty , he noted the importance that the organization works during the coming year to increase membership in it and that he will assume the responsibility of following this task. He will also work to follow all what was approved in this conference

The conference ended its business on the 31st March 2016.