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23 July 2018, Baku, Republic of Azerbaijan

The 2nd International Solidarity Tennis Championship kicks off on Monday 23rd July, 2018 at the Academy of Tennis in Baku, Azerbaijan, with the presence of:

- Dr. Chingiz HUSEYNZADA, ISSF Vice-President NOC Azerbaijan Vice-President;
- Mr. Mohammed S. AL GARNAS, ISSF Secretary-General, and
- Mr. Ismayil ISMAYILOV, Deputy Minister of Youth and Sport of Azerbaijan.

The following fifteen NOCs took part in the Championship:

Azerbaijan, Albania, Tajikistan, Iraq, Mozambique, Kyrgyzstan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Libya, Maldives, Bahrain, Uganda, Senegal, Russia and Belarus.

At the opening ceremony, Dr. Chingiz HUSEYNZADA delivered a speech, in which he welcomed all participants and pointed out that this 2nd Championship represents the first event of the serial of activities agreed upon, to be organized in accordance with the MoU signed between the Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation (ISSF) and the National Olympic Committee of Azerbaijan.

Dr. HUSEYNZADA praised the support provided to stage this championship, by the ISSF and assured that Azerbaijan welcomes the close cooperation with the ISSF.

Afterwards Mr. ISMAILOV addressed the meeting and pointed out that the Ministry of Youth & Sport of Azerbaijan welcomes rendering the hosting of ISSF events and activities, especially after the remarkable success accomplished during the 4th Islamic Solidarity Games in "Baku 2017".





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Then, the ISSF Secretary General Mr. Mohammed S. AL GARNAS gave a speech, in which he transferred the greetings of the ISSF President HE Turky bin Abdulmohsen AL-ALSHEIKH and his wishes of success to all participants.

Mr. AL GARNAS referred to the success of the 4th Islamic Solidarity Games "Baku 2017" which was accomplished due to the great Potentials of Azerbaijan and the continual support rendered by the President of Azerbaijan leading to keep investment of the success of 2017 Islamic Solidarity Games & signing on the Agreement of Cooperation with the NOC of Azerbaijan. Mr. AL GARNAS expressed his thanks to all participating countries in the championship in Baku and extended his welcome to the friendly countries taking part in the Championship and wished them all success.

Competitions of the championship were held in Singles & Double (for men and women) with the total prize money of US\$ 20.000 (twenty thousand US Dollar).

Results of the championship were as following:

Single event (Men):

1st Position, Yaraslav SHYLA (BLR), 1st Place Cup & US\$2.800.

2nd Position, Maxim DUBARENCO (BLR), 2nd Place Cup & US\$ -1.700.

3rd Position, Saud ALHAQBANI (KSA), 3rd Position & US\$ 500 US.

3rd Position, Yannick LANUINA (SEN), 3rd Place Cup & US\$ 500.

Single event (Women):

1st Position, Anzhelika ISAEVA (RUS), 1st Place Cup & US\$ 2800.

2nd Position, Kseniya PALKINA (KGZ), 2nd Place Cup & US\$ 1700.

3rd Position, Lara BITER (TUR), 3rd Place Cup & US\$ 500.

3rd Position, Saara KUNAKUNOVA (KGZ), 3rd Place Cup & US\$ 500.



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Double event (Men):

1st Position, SHYLA/DUBARENCO(BLR), 1st Position & US\$ 2100.

2nd Position, BASALARY/YILMAZ (TUR), 2ND Position & US\$ 1400.

3rd Position, SUWAED/Adil AL-SAEDI (IRQ) 3rd Position & US\$ 500.

3th Position, LANGUINA/Mustafa AL-SAEDI (SEN-IRQ) 3rd Position & US\$ 500.





Double events (Women):

1st Position, PALKINA/KUNAKUNOVA (KGZ), 1st Position & US\$ 2100. 2nd Position, ISAEVA/SAFAROVA (RUS-AZE), 2ND Position & US\$ 1400. 3rd Position, GAVRISH/HASHIMOVA (AZE),3rd Position & US\$ 500. 3th Position, SEPKEN/BITER WO (TUR) 3rd Position & US\$ 500.

It is worth mentioning that this championship is one of the activities agreed upon in the MOU signed between the ISSF and the NOC of Azerbaijan in April, 2018.

The Secretariat General of Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation (ISSF) would like to express its thanks to the NOC of Azerbaijan and the Azerbaijan Tennis Federation for the good organization of the championship which is praised by all participants for the good hospitality and high technical level of organization. The ISSF would, also, like to thank all NOCs participated in the championship.



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14th Session of UN-OIC Coordination Meeting

3-5 July 2018, Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco

The Islamic Solidarity Sports Federation (ISSF), represented by its Secretary General Mr. Mohammed S. Al GARNAS, participated in the 14th session of UN-OIC Coordination Meeting held at the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO) headquarters in Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco.

On behalf of HE Dr. Yousef AL-OTHAIMEEN the OIC Secretary-General, HE Amb. Hamid OBILERO the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Affairs of the OIC delivered his a speech and pointed out that this session is taking place when both UN and OIC are dealing with various issues of pollical, economic, and social nature that are related to the collective actions exerted by both organizations to enhance the global peace and security.

Amb. OBILERO explained that, the close cooperation between the UN and OIC has led successfully to organizing three International Conferences on the issue of Jerusalem during the period 2016-2018 between the UN and OIC.

The meeting has debated reinforcement of the cooperation ties existed between the two organizations in the fields of science, technology, researches, higher education, technical & vocational training, climate changes and water issues, and discussed means of enhancing cooperation in dialogue to accomplish peace & reconciliation and to confront the discrimination based on religion or belief.

The meeting had discussed also topics related to the interests of women, children & youth and the means of preserving the heritage of humanity.

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