

HALAL WORLD

Islamic Chamber Research
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Attention: New gTLD Evaluation Process
Subject: Letter for support for .HALAL

This letter is to confirm that the **HalalWorld Center** fully supports the application for .HALAL submitted to ICANN by Asia Green IT System Bilgisayar San. Ve Tic. Ltd. Sti in the New gTLD Program.

As the General Secretary of the HalalWorld Center, I confirm that I have the authority of this center to be writing to you on this matter.

Islamic Chamber research & Information Center (ICRIC), affiliated to Islamic Chamber of Commerce & Industry (ICCI) and a member of the family of Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) has embarked to study and research on the subject to meet the need in Muslim World, and as a result embarked to adopt a monitoring system in "Halal Product" including "Halal Food" and proceeded to research, development, information and support in this ground, under the supervision of the HalalWorld Center.

As a member of the **HALAL Industry Service Providers Community**, I declare that we believe that .HALAL gTLD will be used to promote the concept of Halal productions, and development of Halal standards.

This application is being submitted as community-based application, and as such it is understood that the Registry Agreement will reflect the community restrictions proposed in the applications. In the event that we believe the registry is not complying with these restrictions, possible avenues of recourse include the Registry Restrictions Dispute Resolution Procedure.

Thank you for the opportunity to support this application.

Yours sincerely

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Simultaneously with holding the Second International Halal Fair and Forum in Tehran, the meeting of the Halalworld's representatives in different countries was held.

In this meeting Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, described the successful ratification process of the Unit Halal Food Standard of OIC in COMCEC 2010 in Turkey for the audience and then explained the great task of establishing this standard throughout the world by Halalworld's representatives.

Then each of the representatives of the Halalworld expressed their views for better implementation of the standard in different countries and they stressed on the unification of Halal assessment process.

Dr. Mohammad Hossein Shojaei, from Research Center of the Halalworld presented some information about the necessity of research which has already supported the Halal certificates awarding process and as one of the managers of this center he was appointed as the technical reference for the representatives. Also, it was also approved that the representatives meetings will be held at least once a year for the exchange of experiences and discussing the latest Halal events. The necessary coordination will be done by ICRIC.

Faster launching of representatives' websites and their linking in Halalworld's site was another decision made in this meeting.

Brotherhood and spiritual atmosphere which dominated the family of "Halal World" led once again to respect the high position of Abrahamic religion of the prophet Mohammad(A.S).

The Gathering of Representatives of Halal worlds



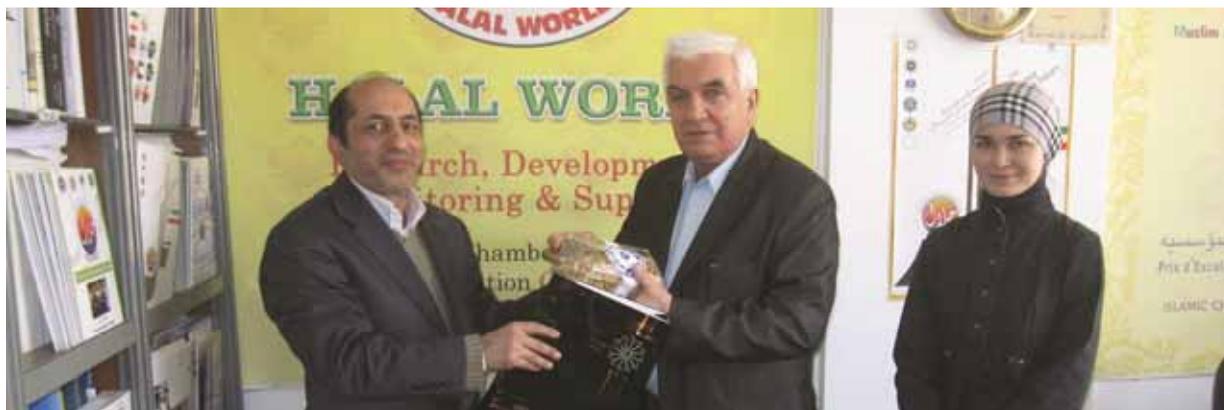
Halal in Croatia

Prof. Esad Prohic, Phd., The Ambassador of Croatia in I. R. of Iran, visited Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, and discussed about the fields of cooperation between manufacturer companies of Halal products in Croatia and ICRIC. Mr. Davor Lokotar, Project Manager of Podavka, who is the baby food producer and their products are about 300 items expressed his readiness to get Halal certificate



(ICRIC). Dr. Fakhari while appreciated Prof. Esad Prohic's representation on "Halal Tourism in Croatia" in the opening ceremony of the Second International Halal Fair and Forum in Tehran, asked him to explain the capability of Halalworld for Croatian companies and to specify and explain them the advantages of joint cooperation's with ICRIC as the entrance to the vast Halal market.

Halal in Russia



In a meeting with Mr. Zhafar Azizbaev, Executive Director of the Halal Department of Russia Muftis Council, and Ms. Madina Kalimullina, Director of Economic Department of Russia Muftis Council (who were participating in the Second International Halal Fair & Forum) and Dr. Fakhari, the Executive Manager of ICRIC, the necessity of observing the OIC Halal Standard by all Halal certifier centers including the Russia Halal Center.

was discussed. It was decided that OIC

Halal Standard in Islamic world will be considered by the Russia Mufti Council in Russia Halal Standard.

Also, Mr. Zhafar Azizbaev invited Dr. Fakhari to take part in Moscow Halal Exhibition 2011. The invitation was accepted by Dr. Fakhari. Establishing representative office of Halalworld in Russia was another issue which was discussed and it was decided that in Dr. Fakhari's journey to Moscow will be discussed.

Halal Industry in Russia

Zhafar Azizbaev

Director, Division of Standard Halal International Centre for Standardization and Certification of the Centralized Muslim Religious Organization, the Council of Muftis of Russia "

The ancestors of contemporary Muslims living in the territory of modern Russia learned about Islam from the missionaries and travelers in the 8th century. Taking Islam and the Muslim way of life, of course they have to eat Halal, and this tradition has spread with the spread of Islam in modern Russia.

By the beginning of 20th centuries Muslims have lived compactly in the traditional Muslim regions of Russia: Tatarstan, Bashkortostan, the northern Caucasus (Dagestan, Chechnya, Ingushetia, Adygea, etc.), the rest of Russia by individual settlements in the Volga region, Urals, Siberia, Orenburg region, in Central City Russia- Moscow, Tver, Tambov, Tula, etc.) and dispersed throughout the territory of Russia.

Halal products produced in rural areas, Muslims and sold among Muslims. Russia was a religious Christian country, and meat from animals allowed Muslim people of the Book, in exceptional cases consumed as "Halal".

The period of militant atheism since 1917 little has changed in the diet of the Muslims and they are still kept in a food laws "Halal".

After the war with the Nazis in 1945, people leave their homes, rebuild the ruined city in Russia has led to mass migration, including the Muslim population in the city.

For feeding the growing urban population created by industrial enterprises for food production, where there are not just laws of Islam, but Christian laws of slaughtering and processing.

Muslims who had relatives in the villages, brought food "Halal" in the city for themselves, their relatives and friends and for

sale.

In the late 90s of the twentieth century is the collapse of the Soviet Union, the accelerated migration from rural to urban areas, reviving traditional religion. Muslims open madrasahs, the higher Islamic educational institutions, turns the construction of mosques, prayer rooms are opened, begins an organized trade in meat products "Halal".

Meat products produced uncontrollably on individual small businesses or handicraft at home, begins a massive import of products labeled "Halal".

Muslims were satisfied with the inscription "Halal" in different languages, images, crescents and mosques on the food.

The euphoria that arose at the beginning, has been replaced by doubts, after the Muslims were revealed by unscrupulous Russian manufacturers, and imported products were not halal certificates.

The question of the reliability of marking "Halal" on food products, was raised a Muslim head of centralized religious organization, the Council of muftis of Russia's Mufti Sheikh Ravil Gainutdin in late 2002 before the President of Russia, after numerous appeals to the religious organizations of Muslims.

Treatment of Muslims have been linked by the fact that at the grocery market in Russia appeared in many imported products labeled "Halal" (from Brazil, France, Argentina, New Zealand, etc.).

Formation of industry "Halal" in Russia began in 2002 the Federal Law on Technical Regulation of 27.12.2002 No 184-FZ ", which gave the right of religious bodies to develop

the normative documentation and the system of voluntary certification, and October 1, 2002 comes into force the International Code food standards.

In 2003, the Central Muslim religious organizations in Russia, "Mufti Council of Russia has developed a standard:" Regulations on the organization of production, trade, control over production and trade of products allowed for consumption of Muslims- Halal- PPT-SMR. The standard was developed in accordance with the State system of standardization in Russia and is the "standard organization." Necessary in the public and our standard is not standard enough to start work in the creation of industry "Halal". This document is united in himself and technological features, the organization of certification and turnover products. According to the results of mining at the forefront of modern enterprises standard was corrected November 29, 2004. This standard takes into account the requirements of Codex Alimentations standards and the standard "Halal" Malaysia.

Also Federal Law No.184 gave the right to our religious organizations to create a system of voluntary certification of "Halal". Certification shall be a body recognized by independent parties, and above all from the manufacturer, retailer, consumer. This ensures the objectivity of the results.

Certification rules are certification schemes as a set of evidence to make an informed conclusion about the object under the requirements of "Halal".

The proof is obtained by carrying out certain operations, confirming compliance with the requirements of the object.

With regard to certification "Halal" are the following generalized types of operations: test: assessment of production; supervisory control.

Each of these types of operations is detailed in view of the risk of inaccurate assessments and impact on its overall conclusion on the

conformity of production requirements.

The implementation of the certification scheme is part of the entire certification process, which in general form can be represented as the following steps: Filing of an application to the certification

body; application review and acceptance of her decision; audits in accordance with the certification scheme; review audit results and decision making; issuance of certificate of conformity; inspection control of certified facilities (if provided by the certification scheme).

Voluntary certification is an initiative of the applicants, a way of regulating the market, allowing the manufacturer to obtain certain competitive advantages, and the consumer to make informed choices. This applies, above all, food "Halal", intended for people who believe.

The main objectives of the system are to provide assurance that:

- Meat products produced from meat of animals slaughtered is produced by the Islamic tradition;
- Goods produced by domestic and foreign manufacturers, does not contain the canonically forbidden for Muslims items.

Products that comply with the requirements of the religiously permissible products marked with conformity. This symbol is intended to provide information to consumers about what products they marked is "Halal".

In accordance with Federal law "On technical regulation" system of voluntary certification of "Halal" was registered by the Federal Agency for Technical Regulation and Metrology (State Standard), Russia, and entered into a single register of voluntary certification. This is a very important step that gives the state the legitimacy of the system.

PIF "Halal" includes two papers: "The rules of the system" and "The application of a registered mark of conformity."

Certification consists of two stages



1. Sertifikatsiya company, is the analysis of the company, certification of production facilities, equipment, tools, management, use of raw materials, ingredients, etc. This deals with the certification authority annually.

2. Sertifikatsiya batches of products manufactured by a specially accredited experts in the enterprise standard "Halal" by the representatives of the Muslim religious organization. Certificates accompany shipment of goods to counter consumers.

This allows consumers who prefer Halal products to make the right choice, increases confidence in the products, manufacturers and sellers, producers and enterprises to enable expansion of sales markets.

The modern poultry industry and pitseperabotki does, roughly speaking, most of the principles of "Halal", namely:

- Power requirements of poultry;
- And hygiene requirements (for facilities, equipment, tools, clothing, and staff);
- Requirements for the health of poultry;
- Requirements of poultry before slaughter;
- Sparing requirements with respect to the bird;
- Requirements for the maximum expiration of blood from the body of a bird;
- Requirements for the legality of financial resources used in the production of poultry meat;
- Safety requirements;
- Requirements for the utility.

Remaining two positions for industry without the Muslims can not do:

- Prayer- to kill living creatures for food "Bismillaah";

The certification of the Muslim observance of all requirements.

Thus, the Mufti Council of Russia in accordance with applicable federal law shall exercise all possible steps to protect the interests of Muslims in the area of nutrition food "Halal". Currently in Russia, more than 150 enterprises are certified "Halal"

Systematically we stand with the explanation of the provisions of our standard in academic institutions meat industry at a workshop for production managers and technicians in Russia and CIS countries, the courses enhance industry workers, to students of specialized high schools.

Currently, sales of products "Halal" is in stores at mosques, specialty shops such as "supermarket" with a 100% range of "Halal" shops and trading halls, major federal and regional chain stores, markets, etc. In our estimation it is more 1,500 stores in Russia.

In the large chain stores sold mostly packed in thermo products, which eliminates the contact product "Halal" with "nehalyal."

Is exported products, Russian, Ukrainian and Belarusian enterprises: milk powder, infant formula, casings for sausages, pastries, complex food additives, fast food, cosmetics, etc.

Halal market more than 23 million Muslims, citizens of Russia and more than 5 million migrant Muslims - is very attractive. The level of quality of Russian products is very high. This applies particularly to industries that have moved all their products are 100% "Halal".



Halal Research & Development Center

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According to our religious dietary rules all foodstuffs are permitted except for those that have been explicitly or unambiguously forbidden.

Muslims are not permitted to eat:

- Alcohol
- Blood

Food of animal origin, pigs and other animals that are Haram. It is only permitted to eat food of animal origin that originates from permitted animals that were slaughtered in accordance with Islamic law and did not die a natural death.

In the present century, due to development of food industries many more food raw material and processed food have been introduced to the food market, of both natural and artificial origin which needs more scientific consideration from point of Halal aspects. Doubtfully food additives are the most important part of this subject

Additionally, Halal is not just end-product certification but involves approval of all ingredients and all food processing at every stage of the production from farm to plate concept.

- Slaughtering process
- Sanitary washing procedure
- Fermentation

It is very challenging and increasingly difficult for Muslims to ensure the Halal status of food in the market. This trend has raised concerns among Muslim consumers regarding new processed food.

Meanwhile adulteration is an issue of major concern in the Halal food trade and industry

globally. For example in some countries, food manufacturers choose to blend vegetable fats with lard to reduce production cost.

For example in the U.K., Food Standards Agency conducted test for adulteration and authenticity of chicken using molecular biology techniques - samples with Halal label revealed that they were adulterated with pig DNA.

In Indonesia, the episodes on 'Pig Fat' (1998) and MSG adulterated with enzyme derived from pig (2001), In Thailand, 'Muslim Frozen Food Sausage Scandal' 1997, lard in palm oil, 1998, undeclared gelatin 2001 etc.

Food additives are substances added to food for different technological purposes such as preserve food and shelf life extension, enhancement of flavor and taste, improvement of stability and appearance. E-Numbers represent specific food additives, used by the food industry in the manufacture of various food products. These E-Numbers have been formulated by the European Economic Community (EEC) and are universally adopted by the food industry worldwide.

- 100-199/ food colors
- 200-299/ preservatives
- 300-399/ antioxidants, phosphates, and complexing agents
- 400-499/ emulsifiers, gelling agents, phosphates, humectants
- 500-599/ salts and related compounds
- 600-699/ flavor enhancers

- 700-899/ not used for food additives (used for feed additives)
- 900-999/ surface coating agents, gases, sweeteners
- 1000-1399/ miscellaneous additive
- 1400-1499/ starch derivatives
- Main subjects of Halal doubt concerns are: Gelatin, Glycerin, Emulsifiers, Enzymes, Natural Extracts, Colors and Flavor enhancers.

1- Common sources of gelatin are pig skin, cattle hides, cattle bones, poultry skin and fish skins. Used in many food products such as:

- Jellies
- Ice cream
- Confectionary
- Cookies & Cakes

2- Emulsifiers and Stabilizers salts or Esters of Fatty Acids as below:

- E470- Sodium, Potassium and Calcium Salts of Fatty Acids
- E471- Mono-and Diglycerides of Fatty Acids
- E472- Various Esters of Mono-and Diglycerides of Fatty Acids
- E473- Sucrose Esters of Fatty Acids
- E474- Sucroglycerides
- E475- Polyglycerol Esters of Fatty Acids
- E477- Propane-1,2-Diol Esters of Fatty Acids
- E481- Sodium Stearoyl-2-Lactylate
- E482- Calcium Stearoyl-2-Lactylate
- E483- Stearyl Tartrate

Are Halal if it is from plant fat, Haram if it is from pigs and other animals that are Haram fat.

3-Flavour Enhancers such as:

- 620 L-Glutamic Acid
- 621 Monosodium Glutamate (MSG)
- 622 Monopotassium Glutamate
- 623 Calcium Glutamate
- 627 Sodium Guanylate
- 631 Sodium Inosinate
- 635 Sodium5-Ribonucleotide

Are Halal if it is obtained from sardines and Halal fish, but they are Haram if it is made from brewer yeast extract, a by-product of beer making or if it is produced via pig enzyme.

4- Genetically modified organisms (GMO), Fermentation, Biochemical reaction/ conversion

For the Muslims who observe the dietary laws of their respective religions, the new

technologies open up new opportunities for expanding their food supply, at the same time. These new technologies may create some difficulties for the religious in making Halal determinations of food ingredients

So we need Halal research center because simultaneously to food industries development we need to update and improve Halal sciences and

1- Determination of Halal for Moslem consumer is very difficult today

2- Halal certification needs precision analytical methods and manufacturing procedure verification

3- Because the huge market of Halal products sometimes Halal logos and certifications are not true and in import and export time we need to check the certificated Halal products.

Due to these reasons ICRIC & I.R of Iran's Halal Supreme Council (IRIHSC) decided to establish Halal research & development center.

The vision of Halal research& development center is Halal Globalization through Research & Scientific Services and objectives of Halal research & development center are:

- Investment the theoretical, laboratory and field Halal research
- Supporting and coordinating national Halal research
- Research for edition and development of Halal standards
- Attempting for Establishment of international Halal research network to connect similar centers
- Design and holding National &International conferences, workshops and training courses for investment Halal sciences
- Education of Halal sciences to experts, auditors, manufacturers
- Provide Halal laboratory services as reference Halal lab and Verification Halal composition
- Development Halal test methods and audit procedures
- Halal sciences development is a Religious, national and international responsibility so all relevant stockholders should support and collaborate in this subject.
- Ministries
- Non Governmental Organizations NGOs
- Universities
- Scientists
- Manufacturers



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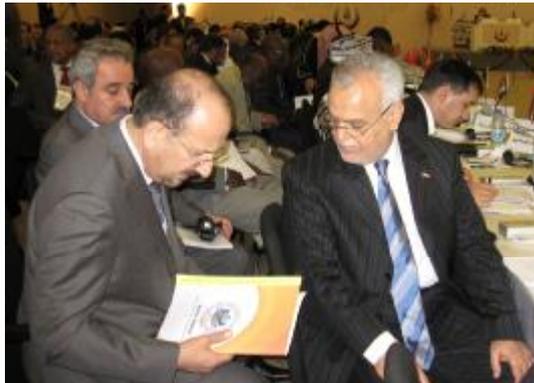
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"Iraq and Halalworld"

In the fringe of 26th COCEC Session in Istanbul (Turkey) Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC has an opportunity to talk

Also he presented them the latest Halal Magazines which included the important events in the field of Halalworld. H. E.

simultaneously with Vice President and Industry Minister of Iraq about Halalworld issue and opening ICRIC'S representative office in Iraq.

Tarik Hashemi, Iraq's Vice President, has welcomed this issue and asked Industry Minister to follow the subject and it was assigned that the setting up for the presence of Halalworld will be prepared. Iraq with a great potential in production of Halal materials can allocate a good portion of global Halal trade to itself.

Congratulation for Achievement of Adopting Halal Standard to the religious leaders

Dr. Nahavandian, President of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines (ICCIM), through separate letters congratulated the great achievement of adoption of "Halal Food Standard" in OIC Ministerial Meeting to the religious leaders,

the Leader of Islamic Revolution, religious authorities, and the Head of the World Forum for Approximately of the Islamic Schools of Thought.

He announced that this event is the most important feasible event on proximity of the Islamic

Schools of Thought and asked them to support this text which is the first authorized juridical text and is in conformity with all common Islamic Madhabs while he demanded that they support ICRIC for its implementation through the world.

Registration of Halal Certification Holders Organization in Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines

Following the registering application of the Founding Board of Halal Certification Holders Organization to the Commission of Organizations of Iran Chamber, the head of this commission invited the founding members board to specify the objectives and plans of the new organization.

Dr. Fakhari, Executive Man-

ager of ICRIC, and the head of the organizer board of Halal group along with a number of the members of organizer board participated in this commission on October 17, 2010 and they answered the questions of the respected commission's members. The head of the commission and the respected members have emphasized on the

necessity of this organization for development,

promotion, production and the trade of Halal products for the export aspect of these products. Finally the commission agreed to register the new organization under the name of "The Society of Development and Promotion of Production and Trade of Halal Products".

Visiting the Deputy Minister of Industry of Malaysia



Dr Nahavandian , the Head of Iran Chamber, had a meeting with Mr. Mokhriz Mahatir, Deputy of Malaysia Ministry of Industry alongside of the program of his journey.

In this meeting Datuk Seri Jamil Bidin , Halal Development Corp (HDC) Chief Executive, presented a report of successful seminar of investment in Iran and Indonesia and said common investment project of two countries is an obvious sample of potential of cooperation.

Then Dr. Nahavandian has expressed that it is

necessary for OIC member countries to intra cooperate in this crucial time and asked the Malaysian authorities to apply all available capacities in two countries especially in common economical subjects.

He asked Iran and Malaysia for preparation of "Halal Development Plan" for all countries before next COMCEC Meeting.

Mr. Mahatir while welcoming this suggestion expressed his readiness to travel to Iran for more exact discussions.

The Guests of Pakistan Halal Congress in Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industries

Whereas the office of Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI) located in Karachi, Pakistan, the guests of the Pakistan Halal Congress visited Mrs. Attiya Nawazish Ali, Assistant Secretary General of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry , on December 3, 2010.

In this meeting the Bosnia's Mufti had a lecture on behalf of the guests. Then Mrs. Attiya Nawazish Ali has presented a report of the ICCI's efforts about its measurements in the field of Halal issue especially in adoption of the OIC.

Halal Food Standard. Also she presented a



number of publications related to the Islamic Chamber to the guests. In this meeting besides the guests , the I. R. of Iran's Consulate General in Karachi and a group of merchants and authorities of Karachi Chamber of Commerce were present .

The latest publications of ICRIC (Halalworld) also were distributed in the fringe of this meeting .



Halal Brand: Symbol of Islamic Unity



The press conference of the president of Iran Chamber was held with the presence of Media's reporters about the achievements of Iranian delegation's journey to Malaysia and also the economical issues. With the report of Public Relation Office of the Iran Chamber, Dr. Nahavandian, the President of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines, has emphasized on the development policy of Iran's presence in the world's economy and said:

"Iran Chamber has already started some plans for more presence in international economical relations and we should increase our efforts in this field especially after intensification of those tensions due economical embargoes.

With reference to the holding Trade Opportunities and Export of Halal Products Seminar in Ma-

laysia the presidents of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines said:" This seminar was an opportunity for discussing about two main subjects on Halal market in Islamic countries and international arena".

He added:" Because of Muslim and non-Muslim population of Malaysia and the necessity of the Muslim society to Halal food and Halal pharmaceuticals Malaysia has already started to work in this issue since 10 years ago".

Dr. Nahavandian has emphasized on Islamic Chamber Research and Information Center's efforts (ICRIC) and the cooperation of Islamic countries for adopting OIC Halal Food Standard and said: The Unit Halal Standard was confirmed and accepted by all Islamic Madhabs.

Halal in the ICRIC's Chairman visits in Turkey

Dr. Nahavandian, the Chairman of ICRIC in his journey to Turkey travelled to Ankara and had a meeting with Mr. Rafaat Hisar Chikly Oughlou, the Head of the Federation of Turkey' Chambers and Exchanges (TOBB).

He expressed his gratitude of good relations between two countries and emphasized on the expansion of relations with TOBB and the necessity of consultation in issues such as Islamic Chamber, ICRIC, stabilizing Halal Standard and economic development of Asian Countries.

Mr. Oughlou in response expressed his agreement with the issues and announced his desire for the full cooperation with the brother and friendly

country of Iran and also his readiness to attend the 127th anniversary of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Mines (ICCM) on the invitation of Dr. Nahavandian.

Meanwhile Dr. Nahavandian had a meeting with the Head of Turkey Standard Institute (TSE) and congratulated the adaption of OIC Halal Food Standard to him and the experts of two countries for this achievement. He demanded for the cooperation of Iran and Turkey for the announcement of this standard to all of the countries and added that this cooperation is necessary for the stabilizing this standard in the world.

Traveling to Turkey a New Window to Develop more Cooperation

Dr. Nahavandian, the President of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines, and his accompanying delegation opened a new window for more co operations during their 4 days journey to Turkey.

1. Visiting Turkey Chamber of Commerce and its Relevant Organizations

Dr. Nahavandian, the President of Iran Chamber

of Commerce, Industries and Mines, in a meeting with Mr. Razaat Hisar Chikly Oughlou, the Head of the Federation of Turkey Chambers and Exchanges (TOBB) has emphasized on the necessity of the promotion of the relations with TOBB. They talked friendly about successful relations in recent years and the level of co operations and the necessity of more consultations between two Chambers in the fields of World Chamber, Islamic Chamber, ECO, D8 Chamber and other issues which welcomed by Turkish partner

In this meeting two responsible of Turkey Chamber of Commerce presented a report of assessment system of the Turkish Chambers there.

Dr. Nahavandian also visited the different parts of the University of Commerce and Industry, a hospital and a big supermarket of Turkey Chamber of Commerce. The related responsible presented a report of their work and answered his questions.

2. Visiting the Scientific Centers, Universities and Techno Park Center affiliated to the Turkey Chamber of Commerce.

Visiting techno parks, incubator centers in Namazi University, Atilim University and Bilkent University, Ankara Elahiyat University were in the plans of this journey too. The procedures of supporting these centers and incubator centers by the universities were observed and the responsible of each part presented necessity explanations about those centers there. Also they talked about more cooperation through common projects.

3. Holding the Second and Third Round of Muslims Excellence Competitiveness Corporations Award (MECCA Award) in Turkey.

A cooperative MoU was signed between ICRIC, Turkey Chamber of Commerce and TOBB for holding the Second and Third Round of Muslims Excellence Competitiveness Corporations Award on 2011 and 2012 in Turkey.

In a part of this MoU mentioned:



“The Federation of Turkey Chambers and Exchanges has already declared its complete support for holding this ceremony in Turkey and will try to persuade excellence enterprises for this event and will introduce a representative for judging in this event. ICRIC will be committed to implement technical programs, assessments and awarding

the prizes”.

This MoU was signed by Dr. Nahavandian of ICRIC and Mr. Razaat Hisar Chikly Oughlou of TOBB.

4. Cooperation with Turkey Standard Institute

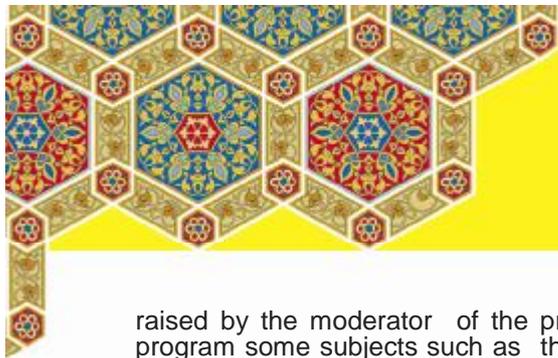
Dr. Nahavandian, the President of ICCIM visited Mr. Taher Halvaki Gil, the President of TSE and thanked his efforts for hosting SEG workgroup (representatives of 30 countries for adopting Halal standard) and cooperation with ICRIC and Iran for implementation of this great duty. He asked for sending the information of this standard to all countries in the world as a great duty and asked ICRIC and Turkey for common cooperation in this field. Also a MoU will be prepared for cooperation in the field of ICRIC's utilization of the TSE's laboratories in the field of Halalworld. It was assigned that in near future this MoU will be signed by the Presidents of ICRIC and TSE for implementing the assessment of Halal products in Turkey and Europe.

5. Visiting of Economical Research Centers (SESRIC)

This center which is affiliate to OIC and located in Turkey is responsible for research in the field of economical condition of OIC member countries and has already published different magazines in this issue. In a report presented to Dr. Nahavandian and his accompanying delegation by the Director and the training and research responsible of this center, some of research and training achievements were presented. Dr. Nahavandian emphasized on the common cooperation of SESRIC and ICRIC and it was assigned that a MoU between two centers in the fields of MECCA Award, IWTD and the great potential of Halal market will be signed.

6. Interviewing with Beyaz TV

By the invitation of new Turkey TV Network, Dr. Nahavandian took part in a live TV program and answered to the economical questions



raised by the moderator of the program. In this program some subjects such as the level of economical cooperation of two countries which is planned to the amount of 30 billion us\$, benefiting of the advantages of good condition of the relation between two countries in the recent years, cooperation in the field of Halal and ICRICs " projects and the necessity of more correlation and strategic policies of Asian countries were discussed.

7. Visiting the Office of Endowments and Haddith Research Center

Visiting the central office of Endowments of the Turkey Dianat Organization and listening to the complete report of the Center's Director General was one of the programs in this journey. Director General of this center presented a report included, the establishment of the university, research center, high school and management of about 1000 religious propaganda centers, the procedures of auditing the training of Turkish immigrants' children in Europe, supporting the Islamic and university researches in Haddith and current affairs, managing of all Islamic centers in Turkey and helping the Muslims in some events like the flood in Pakistan.

Also they visited the Haddith research center and the director of this center presented a report of the great project of gathering thematic Haddithes for social and moral patterns. It was assigned that the common cooperation between two countries in this field will be followed .

8. Visiting Turkey Minister of Industry

With the invitation of Turkey Minister of Industry, Dr. Nahavandian had a meeting with him in his office in the ministry .

Dr. Nahavandian in his long speech requested for creation of Common Industrial Towns in the border lands and the necessity of more cooperation and utilizing of the potential of

two countries in the field of science, university and production. He also emphasized the strategic cooperation between the countries such as: Iran, Turkey and Malaysia and indicated to his meeting with Mr. Mokhriz Mohatir, Deputy of Malaysia Ministry of Industry. Turkey Minister of Industry emphasized on this issue too and reminded that the study processes of creating Industrial Towns will be finished and the executive process will be started soon. He also accepted the invitation to take part in the 130th anniversary of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines in Tehran .

9. Other Plans and Lateral Meetings

Dr. Nahavandian visited the former Turkey Minister of Commerce at his residence and expressed his sympathy for the demise of his father and thanked his efforts for creating suitable relation between two countries in his period.

Other plans included visiting the responsible officers of representative office of ICRIC , interviewing with External TV Network of Iran and also Iran News Agency (IRNA) about the economical condition of the country and the goals of this journey and meeting with some of interested merchants for investment in Iran.

10. Inauguration of the New Representative Office of ICRIC

Dr. Nahavandian inaugurated the new ICRIC's office in Ankara-Turkey and presented some guidelines for future programs of this office for following up the projects such as; MECCAward and Halal.

As mentioned before it is assigned that the Second and the Third Round of Muslims Excellence Competitiveness Corporations Award will be held by the cooperation of Federation of Turkey Chambers and Exchanges (TOBB) in Turkey in 2011 and 2012 .

Holding the 11th meeting of ICCI Board of Directors in Alexandria

The 11th Meeting of ICCI Board of Directors has held in Hilton Hotel in Alexandria on Dec 15, 2010. In this meeting the directors and the members of the boards of 17 countries were present. At first a report of financial condition of ICCI on 2011 which was set up by financial committee, adopted and then some points were presented by the boards.

H. E. Sheikh Saleh Kamel, President of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce & Industry presented some points about the establishment of a central organization in order to research on Islamic Tourism, Auditing Zakat projects, Islamic Loans and Halal.

Dr. Nahavandian presented a report to the ICCI

President and the Board of Directors about the ICRIC's activities and the meeting of the Board of Directors which was held in the same day on the morning. He asked ICCI to prevent consigning the activities of the Chamber to a company which ICCI Board of Directors wouldn't have any role there.

Also, Dr. Nahavandian enumerated the adoption of OIC Halal Food Standard as a great success which is the realization of a golden goal in the direction of the Proximity of the Islamic Schools of Thought. At the end of this meeting it was assigned that the hosting of the 2011 meeting will be in Jordan, 2012 in Turkey and 2013 will be held in Iran.

Holding ICRIC's Board of Directors

Simultaneously with holding the 11th meeting of ICCI Board of Directors, the 8th meeting of ICRIC's Board of Directors was held in Hilton Hotel in Alexandria with the presence of all members included, Egypt, Jordan, Pakistan and Iran (except Malaysia). Dr. Bassem Awadallah the Secretary General of ICCI was also presented there. In this meeting the Board of Directors elected Dr. Nahavandian as the Chairman and Mrs. Attiya Nawazish Ali as the Secretary. Dr. Karbasi, a member of the Board of Directors presented the report of ICRIC's activities in the years 2008-2010. The plans of 2011 in different sections presented to the Board of Directors and they were approved. They thanked and appreciated the good financial support of Iran Chamber. It was assigned that ICCI will continue to provide 50% of the expenses and the rest will be provided by the partnership of the other chambers in the centers' projects. Also it was adopted that with the attention to the absence of Malaysia's representative in most of the meetings of the Board of Directors, after counseling with this country ICCI will replace another voluntary country to Malaysia.

It was emphasized to follow up the establishment of the new ICRIC's representative offices in member countries and to specify the liaison for each chamber.

Dr. Nahavandian declared that common efforts of Turkey and ICRIC for adoption of OIC Halal Food Standard is a bright point in ICRIC's achievements and announced of holding the second and the third round of the MECCaward meeting in Turkey.

It was assigned that Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC and a member of ICRIC's Board of Directors, will provide periodic seasonal report of ICRIC's activities for the members of the Board of Directors and secretariat of ICCI and also will inform these information and all news related to the ICRIC's projects by the ICRIC's main sites to the 57 member countries and the members of the Board of Directors.

Specifying the time of the next meeting was the last discussion which was assigned that the 9th meeting of the Board of Directors will be held simultaneously with the meeting of ICCI Board of Directors on April 2011 in Jordan.

A New Season in Iran and Egypt's Economical Relations

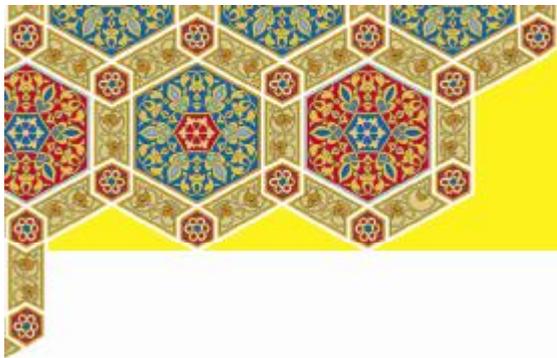


Two nations of Iran and Egypt, with population of more than 150 millions have already watched silent years in their different relations with each other with incredibility and regret and to missed thousands of co operations' opportunities. The lack of relations during these long years has al-

ready caused two old nations to be uninformed and they missed economical and cultural relations. Each time that everything was provided for restoring the relations something happened by some black - hearted and prevented establishing a new relation.

The existence of some political problems among governments prevented restoring of economical relations between two nations whereas it could be implemented with the presence of such disputes. Dr. Rashid Mohammad, the educated Minister of Commerce and Industry in a meeting with Dr. Nahavandian, the President of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines, said: "The establishment of economical relation with Iran is possible despite the presence of political disputes. As the political disagreements among European governments have never prevented them from economical relations. The relation between Iran and Egypt is an old relation and it is possible to restore the economical relations according to the interests and profits of two nations.

With the invitation of the new president of Egypt Chamber of Commerce and in order to take part in



the 11th meeting of ICCI Board of Directors , Dr. Nahavandian and his accompanying delegation who travelled to Alexandria visited Dr. Mohammad, Minister of Industry and Commerce , and Dr. Ahmad Vakil, the New President of Egypt Chamber of Commerce. He explained that the potentials and demands of two nations can complete each other and asked the fulfillment of the economical relations.

The news sites and also magazines "Al-dastoor" and "Al-mesri Al- yavm" covered this news and with citation of Rashid Mohammad' Words has emphasized on the importance of the economical cooperation between Iran and Egypt.

Rashid Mohammad added: "President Hosni Mobarak has already talked about the historic relations between two countries several times ago " .

Al-mesri al-yaum newspaper selected this sentence from the words of Minister of Commerce and Industry: "Egypt is interested to restore the relations with Iran to the normal condition with the dominance of the economical profits to the political disputes".

The high ranking delegation of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines had the goal of practical implementation and accomplishing of these economical relations in these fields:

To activate the common relation of chambers of Iran and Egypt

Creation of friendship group of two countries
Exchanging trade delegations

Holding trade exhibitions for presenting the potentials of two parties

Establishing a permanent trade center for each country in the other country
Implementation of common projects in different section included; machinery , petrochemical, electronic and electric, new technology and energy, establishing common directory of economical enterprises in two countries and updating these information, cooperation in different ICRICs' projects such as, Halalworld, MECCAward and etc.

By a New MOU with the Ministry of Health More Cooperation



"70,000 food production licenses , 11,000 hygienic and Health production licenses for 12,000 manufacturer and factories were issued. We are ready to cooperate with ICRIC in the field of Halal brand for these productions for continuation of the solidarity of this work". Said Dr. Sheibani,

Deputy of Minister of Food and Pharmaceutics in the Ministry of Health, Treatment and Medical Education who presented in Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines (ICCIM) with the

invitation of Dr. Nahavandia, the President of IC-CIM .

Dr. Janat, Director General of Food, Dr. Rastegar, Director General of the Food and Pharmaceutics Control Laboratories and Dr. SafarChi, the Responsible for Cooperation and International Relations were accompanying Dr. Sheibani.

Dr. Nahavandian thanked the cooperation and companionship of the Ministry of Health, Treatment and Medical Education with ICRIC that has become applicable with signing previous MOU by the former Deputy of the Ministry of Health and also thanked of good cooperation of the current responsible in following up and strengthening that MOU and increasing the area of cooperation especially in the field of operating of the central food and pharmaceutics research center. He remarked that the achievement of holding International Health Tourism Forum was a great success and added:

"It was a grace of God that we achieved by the efforts of our friends, ICRIC, Iran, Turkey and some other countries and also the great achievement of adopting OIC Halal Food Standard is a golden document in the proximity of the Islamic Schools of Thought which should watch over very carefully and to stabilize it in the world".

Dr. Nahavandian emphasized that establishing Halal Research Center is a necessary issue which

has been adopted by Halal Supreme Council and we can promote and accomplish it with the cooperation of Ministry of Health.

In the field of laboratories, all potency of the Ministry should be in service of this international issue and fortunately a MoU was signed with the Turkey Standard Organization (TSE) which according to this MoU all laboratories in Turkey will be in service of this direction.

Dr. Sheibani expressed his happi-

ness of these efforts and expressed his full readiness and his friends in different parts of Ministry of Health among all Food and Pharmaceuticals Office and also the laboratories of food and pharmaceuticals control. In this meeting a MoU was signed between Dr. Nahavandian from ICRIC and Dr. Sheibani, the Deputy of Food and Pharmaceuticals of the Ministry of Health, Treatment and Medical Education.

Necessary Cooperation of the ECO Chambers of Commerce and Industry with ICRIC



During the Fifteenth Session of the Executive Committee and the Eleventh Meetings of the General Assembly of ECO Chamber of Commerce and Industry which was held on 19th January, 2011 in Tehran, the Presidency of the Secretary General of ECO Chamber that was previously chaired by Turkey was given to Dr. Nahavandian, the President of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines, and Dr. Karbasi, the member of the Board of Directors of ICRIC for three years.

Also in this meeting, Dr. Fakhari, the Executive Manager of ICRIC, while introducing activities and projects of ICRIC spoke about the necessary of cooperation of ECO chambers with ICRIC's projects such as Halal, MECCAward, IWTD, Countries Tourism Chain, IC-CRS, SMES and Islamic Countries Incubators and proposed to avoid parallel works by inviting Islamic Chamber Research and Information Center (ICRIC) for Eco Summits

and all the chambers can benefit of ICRIC's researches. He suggests signing agreements with this center to make this cooperation officially.

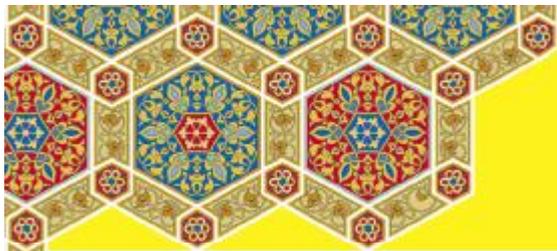
It is worth noting that three proposals were approved by the General Assembly of ECO Chambers and these clauses were inserted in the final report and in the statement of the meeting per following.

The 11th Paragraph of the statement:

-- Meeting agreed to utilize ICRICs, proposed researches related to ECO countries, regarding the use and exploitation of these researches.

-- Meeting agreed to invite ICRIC in all ECO summits to be notified of the latest researches to avoid parallel studies.

-- Meeting emphasized that all the Chambers sign the cooperation agreements with ICRIC to make their cooperation official.



The Guideline of the Principles of OIC Halal Services

- 1- *The Principles of the "Halal" Standard in Hotels*
- 2- *The Principles of Halal Standard in Banks and Financial Organizations*
- 3- *The Principles of Halal Standard in Transportation Services*
- 4- *The Principles of Halal Standard in IT Services and Media*
- 5- *The Principles of "Halal" Standard for Tourism*
- 6- *The Principles of Halal Standard in Public Trade and Business*
- 7- *The Principles of "Halal" Standard in Clothes*
- 8- *The Principles of Halal Standard for Sport and Amusement Services*

1 – The Principles of the "Halal" Standard in Hotels

Definition: the purpose of the usage of "Halal" in the category of the hotels is regarding the Shariah laws for all services in tourism places like, hotels, motels, hotel apartments, restaurants, auditoriums, entertainments facilities ,transportation services, local tours, washing services of the venues, utensils and clothes.

- Requirements:
- 1. To observe related services with water and sanitations
 - 2. To present related services of worshipping
 - 3. To avoid presenting alcoholic beverages in

- the rooms
- 4. To regard Halal food standards in restaurants and food services
- 5. To regard Islamic conducts and behaviours by the stuffs
- 6. To avoid presenting prohibited services in contradiction with Shariah

Article 1: Water in pipelines (related to pure reservoir) must exist in all mentioned places such as passengers' residencies either public or private places like WC, bathrooms or the other services in restaurants, dry cleaners ,washing towels and bed sheets and etc .

Article 2: Presenting related services to worship

includes; specifying the direction of Quibble in all rooms or to allocate a separate place with all necessities for pray.

Article 3: All allocated places to Halal must be free of alcoholic services (whether in the rooms refrigerators or in the bars and restaurants).

Article 4: "Halal Food Standard" is obligatory in all services related to beverages and foods.

Article 5: The stuffs are obliged to regard Islamic rules (shariah) with passengers.

Article 6: To avoid presenting the Shariah prohibited services.

(Such as mixed ceremonies, discos, illegal gender relations, visiting illegal centres in local tours and transportation services)

2- The Principles of Halal Standard in Banks and Financial Organizations

Definition: The purpose of the usage of "Halal" in these kinds of services is observance Shariah laws in requirements and activities of the organizations of financial services included banks, exchange centers, investment and finances, insurance, hiring and etc.

Requirements:

- 1- To avoid presenting any kinds of direct or indirect usury (Rabavi) services
2. To regard Shariah laws in the fields of financial transactions
3. To avoid mixing mistaken capitals with pure capitals in dealing with usury centers
4. To compile an accurate supervision system on the authorities in order to prevent financial corruption

Article 1: All these centers must avoid entering every kinds of deals related with usury. The details of this article will be specified by the comprehensive regulations.

Note 1: The means of "usury" is, claiming the direct augmented (increased) of the main "money" without any Shariah laws financial transactions.

Article 2: About all the past and future transactions in these organizations, the Shariah laws must be regarded. "Halal" contracts are mentioned in the jurisprudence books of the honourable religious leaders and those who issue Fatwa. Then observing "Shariah contracts regulations" is binding.

Article 3: Because some of Halal organizations have exchanges and interactions with their similar organizations which are free from Halal system should besides observing Halal requirements in these kinds of exchanges avoid mixing suspicious goods and properties with pure properties or in case of manipulation they must get permission of authorized authorities who issue Fatwa.

Article 4: Because corruption in financial organizations will be caused degeneracy and detriment of investors and the owners of the stockholders, these organizations should employ righteous

stuffs while they should teach them the basis of Shariah doctrine in their specified field they also should set up and implement an accurate control system for the executors.

3 – The Principles of Halal Standard in Transportation Services

Definition: Implementation of "Halal" in transportation services is the observance Shariah laws in all services in the field of transportation of passengers and carrying goods in the internal and international destinations by airlines, trains, roads and ships.

Requirements:

1. To regard related services with water
2. To regard and present related services with worship
3. To regard Halal Food Standard in catering services for passengers and the stuffs
4. To regard Islamic Shariah by the stuffs and the workers
5. To not presenting services opposed with Shariah

First Article: To be e sure about the cleanness of the tanks before every loading for transportation of bulk goods (tank ships and tankers) and to be careful about non entry or mixing with unclean and Haram goods during transportation.

Second Article: Washing and pure services and all necessary devices such as kiblah indicator and the place for worshipping and services for fasters at all airline journeys should be provided for passengers.

Third Article: To regard OIC Halal Food Standard in catering services is binding at all journeys in presenting food and drinks.

Forth Article: Those staffs who present these kinds of services should pass necessity training of Islamic teachings and are committed to regard and implement them.

Fifth Article: It is necessary to avoid presenting services opposed to Islamic Shariah such as serving alcoholic beverages or other immoral services.

4 –The Principles of Halal Standard in IT Services and Media

Definition: The implementation of "Halal" in IT services and Media is observance Shariah laws at all IT and media services including presentable services in internet, software products, radio, TV, cinema, theatre and art.

Requirements:

1. To regard permitted advertisement, avoid publishing harmful, seductive and doubtful issues
2. To avoid publishing issues opposed to public moral purity
3. To regard Islamic laws by the staffs
4. To present safeguard services in order to prevent entering viruses and illegal issues in the pro-



grams

5. To compile especial regulations of control system on the presentable services

6. To present especial search system in search engine motors and to categorize them thematically for different audience

Article 1: Because of the sensitivity of this services the attempt for identifying different kinds of permitted services should implement by senior experts.

Article 2: In all times and steps of productions the control and assessment of the proficient experts to the Islamic Shariah (preproduction) should be implemented corresponding with the type of the artistic and media products.

Article 3: Not presenting the illegal and prohibited pictures and issues in all productions of audio-visual media and internet

Article 4: Because of the abundance of illegal programs and media it is necessary preventing accessing of the inexpert users by the programs and technical apparatus.

Article 5: The regulations related to the protection of the rights of the productions and the owners of the literary works should be observed since their dissatisfaction don't cause unlawful usage by the consumers.

Article 6: The appropriate trainings for all level of producers and consumers to be set for identifying Halal laws and regulations.

5 –The Principles of "Halal" Standard for Tourism

Definition: The implementation of "Halal " in the field of tourism is observance the Islamic Shariah in all related services with different kinds of tourism included recreational and tourist sight-seeing, especial touring for health, trade and marketing, teaching, scientific and technical, destined for pilgrimage and related services.

Requirements:

1. To present related services with the religious issues of the tourists during the journey

2. To observe Islamic laws by the staffs and the tour guides

3. To avoid presenting services opposed to Shariah

4. To choose venues and centers which are the executor of the Halal Standard (hotels, camps, etc)

5. To choose restaurants where are the executor of the Halal Standard

6. To choose transportation services which are the executor of the Halal Standard

Article 1: In all these services, related standards with those services should be observed.

Article 2: Necessity trainings should arranged for the executors of the tourism services and the staffs are committed to implement and observe them.

Article 3: Services related to the health tourism (in hospitals, clinical centers, hot waters etc ...) should meet the regulations of the center.

Article 4: During all journeys the necessity things included time, place, kiblah indicator for praying and fasting and other necessities should provide.

Article 5: There should prevent of mixing program in the combination relation of men and women

Article 6: There shouldn't set a program for visiting unlawful and Haram places

6 – The Principles of Halal Standard in Public Trade and Business

Definition: The implementation of "Halal " in public trade and business is, observance the Shariah measurements and its conditions in every kind of business weather the production of different kinds of products or every kinds of buying and selling in the international or internal level according to this Haddith of Imam Ali (A.S.) : “ O traders and sellers observe the jurisprudence regulations then entering to the trade arena “

Requirements:

1.To be familiar with the basis of the Halal business and to avoid Haram trading

2. To observe minimum requirements of the business (the principles of the ownership, the correctness of the deals, to set agreement, repayment of the debts...)

3. To avoid every deal based on usury and to compile the basics of Trade without usury

4. To be familiar with general requirements related to the deal with the Followers of the Book (Ahli Kitab) and unbelievers

5. To be familiar with the principles of the moral business (fairness, extension, compensate...)

6. To design a mechanism for solving the trade disputes and to observe them in the agreements

Article 1: To have certificate of passing training courses of jurisprudence basis of general and especial trade in related Unions, federations and syndicates or to attain of having necessary information

Article 2: To compile specific regulation for Halal deals in that field and training the staffs

Article 3: To compile the regulation for the non entrance mechanisms to the deals with usury and to regard them

Article 4: To observe those requirements on "Haram" which are related to their business

Article 5: To observe the regulation of the methods of deal with the Followers of the Book and unbelievers

Article 6: To be familiar with the moral principle of the business and to try implementing by the directors and responsible

7. The Principles of "Halal "Standard in Clothes

Definition: The implementation of "Halal " in the

category of clothes is observance Shariah Laws at all presentable services in the field of clothes (Not including any kind of skin, hair or parts of the Haram animal or those animals that did not slaughtered according to the Islamic Shariah) or those kinds of clothes that their wearing are prohibited or the clothes with especial signs defining an especial group of pigeons and non believers and so on .

Requirements:

- 1.To observe Islamic laws regarding clothes and kinds of garments for women and men and wearing men's clothes for women and prohibited clothes for men (like clothes containing gold, pure silk, ornamental products like gold ring, golden watch, golden button and golden glasses etc..)
2. To regard Islamic laws in other clothing like shoes, belt, bag, etc. (on the basis of their raw materials especially leather)
3. To regard non existence of different parts of Haram component of the animals in clothes and textiles
4. To regard washing the clothes with Halal lotions materials or touched with unbelievers and pigeons or containing Najis (Unclean) materials

Article 1: To be familiar with all kinds of Haram meat animals to avoid using their skins, and components in clothes and shoes,etc.

Article 2: To be familiar with unlawful raw materials in producing garments

Article 3: To regard washing for garment which are in contact with unclean materials

Article 4: To be familiar with the resource of the production of clothes of not containing the parts of Halal animals that didn't slaughtered according to Halal laws

Article 5: To be familiar with the religious regulations of the conditions of using the brands and signs of unbelievers and pagans regarding the prohibition of being similar with them by Muslims

8. The Principles of Halal Standard for Sport and Amusement Services

The implementation of Halal in sport and amusement services is the observance the Islamic Shariah in services such as, specifying kinds of

Haram sports (like professional boxing, violent and harsh sports) and Haram amusements (like gambling or combined with other sins), regarding Halal in presentable services to the Muslim athletes in camps, hotels and different kinds of races, energetic tablets and capsules, regarding lawful clothes and garments for men and women athletes in competitions.

Requirements:

- 1.To be familiar with non entrance to Haram sports like professional boxing and harsh sports that cause bilateral physical and mental harms
2. To be familiar with unlawful kinds of amusements like gambling that causes corruption or sin
- 3.To regard Halal laws in presentable services to the athletes in camps, hotels, competitions, etc.
4. To regard Halal laws in Hygienic, treatment and teaching services (tablets, capsules, energetic drinks and etc)
5. To regard Halal in the garments of Muslim men and women's athletes in the competitions

Article 1: The regulation of the lawful and unlawful sports from the view point of the Islamic Shariah and the limitation of each of them should be compiled for men and women Muslim athletes

Article 2: To compile the regulation of the introduction of kinds of gambling according to the especial tools and apparatus or the kinds of agreements

Article 3: To compile Halal standard for presentable services to the athletes residency, worshipping, drinks and etc.

Article 4: To identify and to regard kinds of lawful and unlawful pharmaceuticals, edibles and energetic drinks as regard their component materials

Article 5: To regard lawful garments of the men and women athletes' clothes in different sport competitions

Article 6: To survey sport requirements and to identify kinds of Haram regulations especially national and international requirements and to take measurements for their correction.

Italy Chamber of Commerce and "Halal world"



Dr. Nahavandian, president of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines, and his accompanying delegation visited Mr. Fered

Cho Dardanlou, the Director of the Union of the Italian Chambers, in Rome. Mr. Dardanlou explained that this Union has 6 million members and among them there are 200,000 exporter companies.

Dr. Nahavandian has described the outlook of Europe Trade and the role of Italy in global economy and said: It is necessity to take Halal World Brand for attending of exporting companies of food materials, pharmaceuticals and machineries related to Halal in Muslim markets. Then he introduced ICIRC and Halal World Brand and then presented him the latest issue of Halal magazine of ICIRC.

Common Cooperation in the field of Halal with Association Italian Alleviatory

In a meeting between Dr. Charles Dadi Wago from Italian Association Alleviatory (which is under Ministry of Agriculture) with Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICIRC, he explained that this research center has scientific services activities for all herd breeding institutions, abattoir centers and cattle quality control from farm to supply in the markets. Even this center is implementing control on Islamic slaughtering in abattoirs. After becoming familiar with Halalworld activi-



ties, he requested for cooperation in this filed. Hence it was assigned a joint research work will be started immediately in one of the Italian abattoirs. Then this successful cooperation will promote to other cattle production centers after surveying the achievements. Dr. Charlsdadi invited Executive Manager of ICIRC to take part in animal husbandry researches and cattle products exhibition that will be held in summer in Rome.

Italian Ambassador and "Halalworld"

In a joint meeting which was held by Chamber of Iran and Italy in Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines, "Alberto Bradniny" Italian Ambassador get familiarity with economical activities of Iranian private sector. In this meeting Executive Manager of ICIRC presented a report of his journey to Italy and its achievements. Dr. Fakhari has discussed with the responsible authorities of Milan Chamber of Commerce about the necessity of the Italian Food materials, Pharmaceuticals and Hygienic Factories to get Halalworld Brand for exporting their products to the Islamic coun-

tries. Then he advised the Italian Ambassador about the mechanism of explaining Rome Chamber of Commerce and also Italian Industry Union about the necessity of Halal Brand for their exporting products to Islamic countries and to arrange appropriate programs and conferences. Dr. Fakhari also informed about the presence of some Italian companies in International Halal Fair and Forum in Iran on March 2-5, 2010 and he presented the last issue of English Halal Magazine to him. Italian Ambassador promised to follow up the discussed issues.

Report of Halal exhibition in Malaysia



World-class Halal events held in Malaysia during the same week this June. This June, Malaysia the focal point for Halal industry players stakeholders and opportunity seekers as it hosted Halal Malaysia Week from 21 to 27 June 2010.

The Halal Malaysia Week was a coalescence of three major events - International Halal Showcase (MIHAS), World Halal Research Summit (WHR) and World Halal Forum 2010 (WHF) and targeted to bring in thousands of delegates and exhibitors from over 50 countries to facilitate trade and drive the global Halal industry and discuss issues, share advancements in Halal research, which is estimated to be worth trillions of dollars. Iran also took part with 20 companies which were organized by Isfahan Exhibition Center. Simultaneously several trade boards participated in this event for discussing and visiting

with joinery sides from Kerman, Ghazvin and Tehran. This event followed by the 3rd World Halal Research Summit from 23 – 24 June, also held at the KL Convention Centre and was organized by the Halal Industry Development Corporation (HDC). This international conference provided a platform for scientists, researchers, scholars, and academicians to meet, discuss and exchange ideas on new research findings, emerging technologies, trends, issues and challenges in the global Halal industry. Apart from delving into the latest issues in Halal research, the conference also provided the participants with the latest updates in the development of strategies, new technologies, emerging trends, product innovation, best practices and more within the Halal industry. IHI also invited ICRIC's authorities for scientific presence in this Forum.



IHI and ICRIK Cooperation in the Field of OIC Standard in the COMCEC 2010

Following the idea of the president of Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry, H. E. Sheikh Saleh Bin Abdullah Kamel, in a session in Doha, Qatar (three months ago) regarding the expertise coordination of ICRIK and International Halal Integrity (IHI), the managers of these two centers, Dr. Fakhari and Mr. Darhim Hashim, and also Dr. Shojaee the senior advisor of ICRIK had a meeting in Hotel Istana Kulala Lumpur City Center. After discussion about the ways of coming to a common consensus of countries to confirm the prepared standard in COMCEC it was assigned that each center takes the

responsibility of explanation of some countries for expediting in approving the Unit Standard. Also this issue will be discussed with Arab Countries by the President of Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Both two centers emphasized to deliver the record of their actions to the president of Islamic Chamber and to implement the results after getting the approval. Also it was assigned that the report of the measures will be presented to the next session of the Islamic Chamber on Ramadan for future planning and and the next programs.

World Halal Research Summit (WHR)

The three-day event from June 23 to 25, 2010 with the theme: "Inspiring Innovation Through Halal Research" was held at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre by Halal Development Corporation (HDC) in Malaysia. The summit consisted of 5 working groups named: Global prospective of Halal innovations, emergence of production of Halal pharmaceuticals products, updated Halal sciences, technology and trade, first and second part and Halal science and shariah. Lecturers presented their papers and researches in those fields. Most of the speakers who

were from scientific centers and universities have been presented their articles on those professional modules. This Summit was opened by Dr. Jalaludin Syed Salim, the Chairman of HDC, and closed by The Prime Minister's wife, Datin Paduka Seri Rosmah Mansor. Also Halal Development Corporation with the effort of Matrad and Jakim published a book consisting of the Directory of Halal exporters and Halal services of Malaysia in 270 pages which is including information of about 200 Malaysian exporters.

Halal and United Arab Emirates



A great investor group called "Al-Oujan" which has 110 years history of experience in Halal industry production, requesting for receiving Halalworld Brand. This company by establishing some factories in Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and I. R. of Iran started to export non-alcoholic beverages like,

"Ranni" and "Barbican Beer Beverages" to more than 10 countries. One of its great factories is located in Jabal Ali in United Arab Emirates that is producing other kinds of non-alcoholic beverage called "Barbican". This center was audited and assessed by Halalworld authorities. After necessary surveying by the experts, they will decide for issuing Halal certificate for the products of this factory.

One of the outstanding point is that the Al- Oujan Company is one of the international investor group with %100 foreign investors and the capital of 170 Million US \$ which has already established 3 fruit juice manufacturing factories in Iran.

Halal in Iran & Thailand Commerce Relation



Dr. Mahdi Fakhari, International Affairs Deputy of Iran Chamber of commerce, in a meeting with Mrs. Atchaka Sitbrank, Secretary General of Thailand Investment Council, declared that Thailand investors have to regard Halal Brand for importing goods to Iran and in this respect, ICRIC has the authority and administrative responsibility of this certificate by Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines (ICRIC). Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, also introduced the activities of the center and declared that because Thailand is an observatory member of Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) and is planning to have good coordination with 57

Islamic countries in the fields of economy hence it is necessary to have good cooperation with ICRIC in the field of Halalworld Certification. He added that fortunately the representative office of ICRIC has already inaugurated in Assumption University of Thailand and it is appropriate that according to a signed MOU by Thailand Muslim Merchants Council to join to this cooperation the path is right.

Also, according to a MOU which was signed between Ministry of Health, Treatment and Medical Education and ICRIC hereafter all importers of food materials are obliged to receive Halal certificate.



Halal world in France

The presence of 7 Millions of the Muslim population in France has been caused the largest Muslim Community in Europe. Although this country was the cradle of Laicity because of the bad actions of its church authorities in the past, but tendency towards religion especially towards Islam in this country has its especial feature and nearly every week a newly converted to Islam from France shows their interest to this religion. Preparing Halal food for this big society is an important economical issue that the French government has known the importance of this event especially the economical outlook of "Halal" is beyond of this population and it is consisted of all food industry, cosmetics, hygienic and pharmaceutical products.

The presence of different Halal brands which have been created for the necessity of this issue, has caused ICRIC to regulate Halalworld brand in this country and also to organize the journey of Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, to France for this purpose. The programs of this journey included different visiting with the responsible representatives of those offices, explaining of Halalworld process, the importance of OIC Halal standard and avoiding of multi standards and plurality of Halal, visiting of Islamic Center for Halal (MCI) in Sharter in the suburb of France, discussion for awarding representative to this center for following up the Halalworld in France, interview with the reporter of "Sedaye Ashena" channel and explaining about the importance of Halal market and the different center's activities in different parts of the world and planning for the future meeting with the authorities of French Chamber of Commerce and Ministry of Agriculture and Trade about Halalworld issues. It is a hope that through a country which has the largest Muslim minority we can promote Halalworld to the whole Europe.

Superior Future for Halal in Turkey

Welcoming of Halal World Brand by the producers and exporters of food materials companies in Turkey, changed Ramadan to an active month in regard to Halal issue. Measures taken by Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, during his 3 days visiting in Turkey were as follow: Visiting some of the producing beverages and protein materials, issuing Halal World Certificate to them, carrying on the first Halal training course for the Halal Inspectors in the office of Halal World (Tumsert) in Turkey, discussion with the selected executor



for holding imminent International Halal Fair in Turkey (which will be held by ICRIC's effort), preparing an independent office for ICRIC and Halal project in Ankara, studying on the especial situation of Turkey as an important potential in exporting of Halal products to European Countries and planning for it.

It is worthy to say that the Second Great Forum of Meccaward will be held in 2010 in Turkey in order to witness a higher level of competitiveness among major firms from Islamic Countries in an international process.

SMIIC Report of the 1st General Assembly of the Standards and Metrology

SMIIC is the standardization body of OIC whose status was approved in 1999 and the OIC Standardization Expert Group (SEG) was formed as a temporary solution that has been established in 1985 by COMCEC meanwhile the Turkish Standard Institution (TSE) acts as its secretariat pending on entry into force of SMIIC. By the end of May 2010, Somalia was the 11th country that officially ratified the membership of SMIIC followed by Turkey which started the process earlier but took a long time for ratification.

At present, some 11 OIC Member States (Algeria, Cameroon, Guinea, Jordan, Libya, Mali, Morocco, Somalia, Sudan, Tunisia and Turkey) have so far both signed and ratified the Statute of SMIIC, enabling it to enter into force. Hence, During the period of 2000-2005 only 3 OIC member states had ratified the SMIIC statute, while since 2005, the other 8 member states have joined.

In the wake of the 1st General Assembly of the Standards and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries (SMIIC) held on Aug 2-3, 2010 in Ankara, Turkey, attended by repre-



sentatives of 11 member countries as well as the a delegation taking part on behalf of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI), comprising of Mr. Mustafa Sobri, Senior Advisor to President of ICCI and Dr. Mohammad Reza Karbasi, Board

Member of the Islamic Chamber Research and Information Center (ICRIC).

The ICCI delegation was actively involved in discussions and negotiations during the Assembly and conveyed the message of H.E Sheikh Saleh Kamel, President of Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI) as below:

As deliberated by the OIC Council of Foreign Ministers in Dakar-Senegal, the executive responsibility of Halal in OIC countries has been entrusted to the Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI) as the ICCI has been preparing the necessary back up for Halal implementation in OIC countries by establishment of various institutions.

Permanent membership of the ICCI in Halal Accreditation Committee was also discussed and approved during the assembly.

The 1st Indonesia Int'l Halal Business & Food Expo and Global Halal Forum paradigm of international Halal business



This Exhibition was held with the purpose of presenting Indonesia export ability for Halal products on July 23-25, 2010 in Jakarta Convention Center. There were few numbers of foreign companies and most of the visitors were Indonesian and those who were invited for Halal Forum. This event was opened by Deputy of President. ICRIC's delegation while visiting the exhibition invited booth holders for participating in the I. R. of Iran's Second International Halal Fair and Forum on February 2011. Simultaneously of holding The 1st Indonesia International Halal Exhibition, 3 other Forums and Teaching Courses were held with the management of Majelis Ulama of Indonesia (MUI) that is responsible for Halal issue in this country.

The main topics of the Forum:

A- Global Halal Forum: Global opportunities and facilities in Halal industry

This Forum which was held by the presence of delegates of World Halal Council was opened by Deputy of President and continued by the words of the president of MUI. In continuation of the Forum 3 issues on "the require-

ments related to the export and import of Halal products," a glance to the opportunities and challenges in the global Halal market" and "Halal certifier as strategic partner on halal business" were discussed by the participants of this Forum. Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, while was talking with some of participants about Halalworld (one of the ICRIC's projects) invited them for taking part in the Second International Halal Fair & Forum in Tehran, Iran.

B-International Training on Halal Assurance System

This training has been organized for supervisors and auditors of Halal productions and presented on issues such as, quality and condition of Halal productions, the procedures of labeling and packaging of Halal industrial productions in Indonesia, legal terms of Halal productions, the role of governments and merchants in private sector in the development of Halal small industries and necessary teachings to the participants.

C- International Meeting on Global Halal Standard.

This Session was held by the management of MUI and with the presence of delegates from the issuing organizations of Halal certifications affiliate to the World Halal Council in different countries. All participants presented their viewpoints on global unifying standard and ICRIC's delegates also discussed with the delegates of World Halal Council about actions which have been done by Organization of Islamic Countries (OIC) and COMCEC Meeting in Turkey about preparing united global standard of Islamic Countries in order to prevent redoing. Also, in the fringe of this exhibition, Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, visited Dr. Aisja Girindra, the Manager of Supervision on issuing Halal Certification of MUI.

And also he had a meeting with Dr. Ali Mostafa Jacob, Vice President of Indonesia Ulama (The writer of Halal and Haram in food, drinks, pharmaceutical and cosmetics). He explained about ICRIC's global projects and its objectives in the frame of OIC and the actions done for preparing the draft of united standard of Islamic countries. He asked them to justify

Majlis Ulama Indonesia for more cooperation for the finalization of global united Halal standard. In a meeting with the Ambassador of I. R. of Iran the ICRIC's plans and objectives and the actions in regard to issuing global Halal certification to the Iranian and foreign companies presented to him. Also the efforts by expert committee affiliate to the OIC especially COMCEC Meeting for preparing draft of Global Halal Standard of OIC countries was discussed. In addition the role of cooperation of Indonesia was emphasized in finalization of united standard. He appreciated the actions and promised to discuss with Indonesian authorities about this issue and he promised to activate the Economic Section of the Embassy in this field.

Also, during a meeting with Vice President of Indonesia Chamber of Commerce they emphasized on the importance of the commercial and economical relations between two important countries, Iran and Indonesia, and also suggested to activate joint committee among two countries.

The Report of the International Halal Fair and Forum to the Board of Directors of the Islamic Chamber



The president of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce, and Industries (ICCI), Mr. Abdollah Saleh Kamel, in his opening speech in Annual General Assembly and Board of Directors of ICCI, spoke about different issues such as the importance of Halal issue in the world, ICCIs' activities and also the responsibility which is undertaken by OIC. He asked all chambers members to help and support ICCI in the frame of prepared Halal Standards by OIC to implement great responsibility of preparing executive regulations and Unit Halal Brand in Islamic Countries. In the

fringe of holding the meeting of the Annual General Assembly and Board of Directors of ICCI in Doha, Qatar, ICRIC's Plan for 2010 and also full report of holding the First International Halal Fair and Forum in Iran presented to the ICCI Board of Directors consisting of Saudi Arabia, Benin, Egypt, Turkey, Jordan, Kuwait, Pakistan, Qatar, Syria, United Arab Emirate and Omman. In a separate meeting between the president of Islamic Chamber with ICRIC's delegation, IHI and Dr. Ahmad Mohyedin, Economic Assistant of Secretary General of Islamic Chamber, in Ho-

tel Carlton in Doha, he asked them to prepare more quickly the schedule of executive mechanisms of supervision on certifications and unit Halal Brand and to present it to the next sessions of COMCEC at the end of this year in Istanbul. ICRIC's delegate assured that they will put in to practice all their experiences to make this goal practical in Islamic

world. Also in a meeting between Dr. Sabah Zangeneh, Counselor of the Head of Iran Chamber in Arabic and Islamic Countries Affairs, and Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, with H.E. Mr. Sheikh Saleh Kamel they emphasized on more effective cooperation's between ICRIC and ICCI .

Beginning of "Halal world" in Denmark

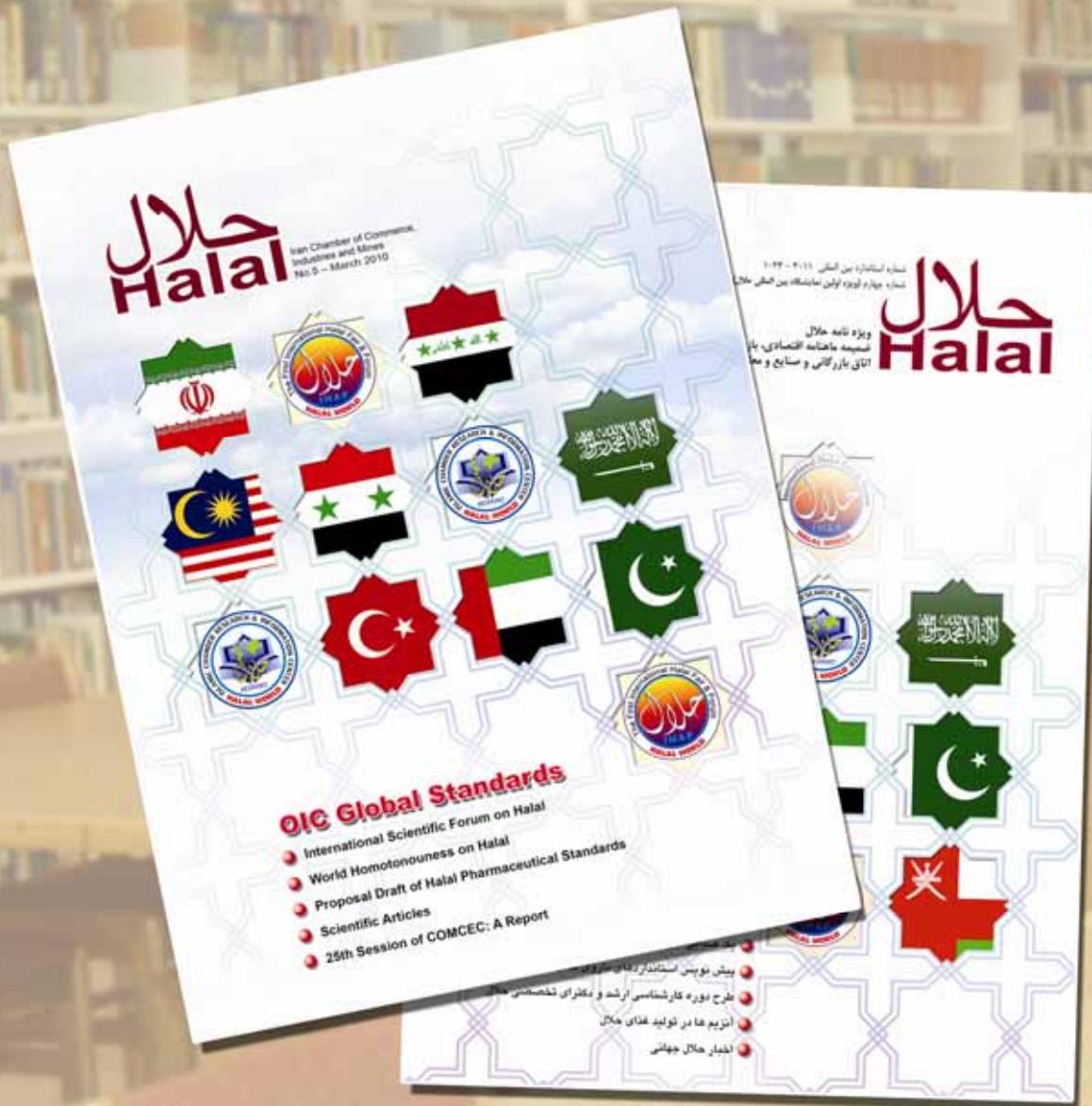


Dr. Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, travelled to Denmark with the invitation of Che- Hanson Company which is the largest and the famous producer of natural edible color and applicable starters in dairy industries in the world. This company is one of the applicants of Halal Certificate for its products especially Carmine Color. In that journey, he visited producing lines of Christian Hansen Factories and then listened the explanations of managers of the different parts. Of the company. The managers of this great factory explained the 150 years of history for producing natural colors and starters and its equipped laboratory for specification of colorful spectrum, that is unique in its kind and also the production process of Carmine Color from RM which is obtained from South American farms (especially in Peru).

Also, preparation for establishing representation of Halalworld was provided in Denmark for answering to the applicants of Halalworld Certification and then the center's liaison in Copenhagen introduced. Discussion with International Marketing Manager of Denmark Industries House was another plan of his travelling. Executive Manager of ICRIC

presented a report of competition among food, pharmaceuticals, cosmetics and hygienic industries of different countries for entering to the estimated about 2 billion dollars Halal trade and also he explained about the necessity of familiarizing of Denmark industries owners with the importance of Halal and the entrance procedures to this trade. Dr. Fakhari proposed a conference with cooperation of ICRIC for producers and merchants of Denmark because Denmark is one of the hub exporters of food and pharmaceutical materials and this dialogue can facilitate their trade to the Halal market. This suggestion accepted by Ch. Hansens' managers and it was agreed totally to be implemented with bilateral cooperation. In this journey, he succeeded to have discussions with religious leader and religious authorities of Islamic organizations. After Dr. Fakhari's consultation and explanations about the achievements on OIC Halal Food Standard in COMCEC, they emphasized on necessity of unification in confirming the Halal certification of Denmark's Muslims Foods by a scientific and credible center. It was assigned that Denmark's Islamic Religious Organizations will cooperate in this field.

Publishing Halal Magazine No. 4 & 5



Simultaneously with The First International Halal Fair and Forum in Iran, Halal magazine No. 4 (Persian) and magazine No. 5 (English) was published. Trade Chambers of Islamic Countries and also Scientific and Research Centers can receive this magazine from IC-RIC. Here are some topics of the issues in this magazine:

- * World Homotonousness on Halal
- * A Fulfilled Idea: Holding an International Forum on Halal

- * Halal in Trade World and its role in establishing common markets
- * Halal Companies with Global Halal Certification
- * Memorandum of Understanding on Halal
- * The necessity of compiling Halal teaching plans in universities and teaching centers
- * The hot food

Halal, The axis Discussion between New Zealand & ICRIC



H.E. Bryan Sanders the Ambassador of New Zealand in I.R. of Iran with Mr. Heath Fisher , the First Secretary of the Embassy, in a meeting with the managers of ICRIC emphasized about the importance of Halal for the government of New Zealand for the right and easy exportation of its meat and protein productions to Islamic Countries without any problem .

They expressed their happiness for finalization of the OIC Halal Food Standard in the 26th COMCEC Session in Turkey and said that the variability of procedures, criterions and activity of different Halal organizations made difficulty for them. They appreciated ICRIC for its role in preparation and cooperation in finalizing unit standard and common standard and said: New Zealand Government is ready to use this standard after being finalized as the main source of Halal control and standard in Ministry of Agriculture.

In this meeting Dr. AbdolHossein Fakhari, Executive Manager of ICRIC, expressed IC-

RIC's readiness for presenting consultation to New Zealand and other Oceanic Countries. He announced about the presence of "Oceania Research and Business Development Bureau" which is under ICRIC's supervision in near future . This issue was welcomed by New Zealand Ambassador.

The other issue of discussion was further inauguration of exporting of New Zealand's meat to Iran. In this direction Mr. Sanders declared that the hygienic protocol will be signed between two countries in near future .He hoped that after 2 decades of meat export suspension the ground of further export of New Zealand products will be resumed like the first decade of the Islamic Revolution of Iran.

Also he asked to have a meeting with Dr. Nahavandian, the President of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines (ICCIM) soon.

Mr. Hasan Fakhari, the Consultant of President's Chamber, has promised to follow his request .

Halal Food Control

Country	Halal Food Act	Halal Food Enforcement Body
1. Australia	The Export Meat Orders under the Export Control Act 1982	Australia Quarantine Inspection System (AQIS) in cooperation with the Islamic Bodies in Australia
2. Indonesia	Food Law No.7/1996:30,33,34; Food Labelling & Advertisement Regulation (Government Regulation No. 69, 1999) 10, 11; Consumer Protection Law: No.8/1999: 8(h) and Decree of Minister of Health: KepMen Kes RI No. 24/Men Kes/SK/VIII/1996	Majlis Ulama Indonesia (MUI)
3. Malaysia	Trade Description Order (Usage of Expression „Halal“) 1975 – under the provision of Section 10, Trade Description Act 1972 Trade Description Order (Marking of Food) 1975 – under the provision of Section 11, Trade Description Act 1972, Ministry of Domestic Affairs and Consumer Affairs (KPDN)	Ministry of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs
4. Singapore	Administration of Muslim Law Act (AMLA) 88A	Majlis Ugama Islam Singapura (MUIS)
5. Thailand	Administration of Organizations of the Islamic ACT (the AOI ACT)	Central Islamic Committee of Thailand (CICOT)
6. United States of America	The Halal Food Act in 6 States: New Jersey, Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan, California, Texas	The 6 State Governments and Islamic Bodies in USA

Halal Certification Bodies

Country	Halal Food Certification Authority
1. Australia	Islamic Coordinating Council of Australia
2. Indonesia	The Indonesian Council of Ulama (MUI)
3. Malaysia	Department of Islamic Development Malaysia (JAKIM)
4. New Zealand	New Zealand Islamic Meat Management
5. Singapore	Islamic Council of Singapore (MUIS)
6. Thailand	The Central Islamic Committee of Thailand (CICOT)
7. United States of America	Islamic Food and Nutrition Council of America (IFANCA)

The Establishment of Trade Holdings on Halal Trade

Mr. Abderrazak Louati

Advisor to the CEO for Special Projects
Islamic Corporation for Development of Private
Sector (ICD)
IDB Group

First he talked about the organization of IDB and its global vision, that is the development organization created by Islamic countries to assist the development of these countries, ICD has the leading role in Islamic finance industries in the world and here you can make the parallel Halal food industry all the infrastructure of the organization now taking care of the Islamic finance, the guidelines, the procedures, the accounting, the arbitrage, the rating, etc. All of these organizations are initiated by IDB. we continue to work on this aspect to on vahf, etc on sharia boards, how to organize that because now each company has its organization board, should we have an umbrella for all the industrial Islamic finance, etc, IDB has this rule to

look at this aspect and to propose solution to the participants industries, we also take care about economic integration and the cross country partnership.

The third point which he mentioned was that IDB is playing a role in all aspects of Islamic countries and establishing the committees working on them, to go over through the difficulties of the food security crisis. Among the organization of IDB, there are mainly 3 affiliates:

1. ITFC was created to help the trade financing.

2. ISEC

And insurance coverage especially for political risk for investment export.

3. ICD to make its symbol which is the Islamic IFC. We are here to finance all private sector projects, in member countries, the member countries of IDB group or OIC countries, then we can finance a cement plant in Pakistan, or a sugar refinery in Senegal or a bank in Mauritania, any private sector which is sustainable and with profitability. We are here to finance all private sector projects. ICD was created ten years ago, with an authorized capital of 2000 billion of 48 member countries. We financed about 1500 projects during the last 10 years. The vision of ICD is to be a major player in development and promotion of the private sector as the vehicle of economics social growth and prosperity in Islamic countries and the mission is to complement a role laid by IDB through providing Islamic financial services, products, promoting competition in member countries, encouraging cross border investments. In brief, ICD is the stop shop for client focused dynamic Islamic Shariah, compatible products and the responsive services using our reach network we had clients and potential clients access due global business, and investment, opportunities in this regard we created a new working group then the name is ICD.

Which is a glare, were inventors and businessman can come and to discuss, to each other, to create ideas of project and with follow up of ICD to help this project to be developed to promote to the finance. We invest in all the projects, which have development impact and with profitability and sustainability more than manufacturing, information technology, health, education, financial industries, agriculture, pharmacy, transportation, etc. What will interest you as business groups, is how to apply and what can you have from ICD. The eligibility of company which applies should be a private sector company or company under privatization integrity.

”Halalworld Brand” in Austria Chamber of Commerce



In a meeting with Carl Hartleb, Vice General Secretary of Austria Chamber of Commerce, Executive Manager of ICRIC while introducing “Halalworld Brand” emphasized the importance of this brand for entering Austrian food industries to Islamic Countries Markets. He also suggested that the Austria Chamber of Commerce to hold a seminar with this subject for the authorities of Austrian Industries. Mr. Hartleb welcomed and accepted this suggestion and added:

"I have already heard about Halal Brand but with this explanations, but I came to know

that Austria Chamber of Commerce has to take some measurement that Austrian factories can export their products with Halalworld Brand to Islamic countries. He also declared the readiness of Chamber of Commerce to hold a seminar in Autumn. Mr. Zigmond Nehmati, Director of the East Asia and Iran in Austria Chamber, has been chosen to follow this issue and he also asked ICRIC to establish an office in Austria to answer the questions of the Austrian Industries.

Awarding Halal English magazine to Malaysian Officials

In the fringe of the 6th Malaysia International Halal Exhibition (MIHAS) and scientific conference on “World Halal Research”, copies of the English Halal magazine of ICRIC which consisted of Halalworld Standard according to” Common Bases of all Islamic Mdhhabs”, gathered by ICRIC, presented to Prime Minister of Malaysia, Najib AbdulRazagh and Minister of Islamic communications , Prime Minister’s wife, and the professors participants in this conference. They have been asked to present their views on this standard which



prepared for the first time.

The 6th Malaysia International Halal Exhibition (MIHAS)

In the 6TH International Halal Exhibition which was celebrated on 6th till 10th may 2009, in Kuala Lumpur, by MIHAS and the support of Matrid Exhibition Center, about 600 companies from different countries were presented their Halal products and services. Except food products other services such as cosmetics and hygienic, banking, investment and transportation were presented.

In the official opening ceremony, the Minister of international Trade and Industry of Malaysia, gave a report of Halal trade in the



world and Malaysia, then the new prime Minister of Malaysia Najib Abdulrazagh, declared about the development of Halal trade and the role of Malaysia in this filed. This exhibition that has been held in Malaysia for some years is an opportunity for this country to introduce Malaysia as an Islamic country having an axial role in Halal trade.

Halal in discussion with Secretary General of the Council of Religions in Switzerland

The council composed of representatives of the religions of Islam, Christians, Jews and it was established in 2006 and its duty is the promotion of cooperation among the religions in the filed of common

interests for understanding and coexistence of the followers of religions living in Switzerland.

Mr. Tomas Vypf the head of the Protestant Christian Council who is now the periodic head of "Swiss Council of Religions" introduced the council and listed some of the issues of the council activities especially in confronting extremist groups against religions and said that this council meets the President twice a year to discuss their problems.



Executive Manager of ICRIC while explaining the importance of "Halal" in Muslim's life, enumerated ICRICs' activities in this direction (for unifying standard of different Islamic Madhhabs) suggested that the Council of Re-

ligions in cooperation with ICRIC can begin the research on commons concepts in religions around the topic of food and for this work can hold a seminar for presenting scientific articles to the experts of religious so that this practical step will cause better understanding and proximity between followers of religions. This suggestion was welcomed by him and assigned to discuss and pursue that in the Council of Religions.

Visiting of the Central Office of Switzerland Muslims

Executive manager of ICRIC visited the Central Office of Switzerland Muslims in Bern which is one of the subordinate centers of CEUSS (Organization of Coordination of Switzerland Islamic Institutions) and includes mosque, religious training center and women Muslim activity center (Dar-ul noor). Sheikh Ahmed Omar, clergy who leads daily prayers, explained about history of establishment of Halal center in Switzerland and declared that ICRIC's initiatives in compiling Halal Food Standards according to Common Bases of all Islamic Madhhabs are the best solution to universalize Halal Brand. Concerning the presence of 60 nations and nationalities who are living in Switzerland, he suggested that CEUSS Center which is the representative of all Muslims in Switzerland follows the issue of



Halalworld as its representative there.

Halalworld Brand in Switzerland

In a meeting with the Director of CEUSS (Organization of Coordination of Switzerland Islamic Institutions of three hundreds centers, Islamic councils and institutes), the Executive Manager of ICRIC introduced ICRIC's projects, especially the success of "Halalworld Brand". They expressed their satisfaction of "Halalworld Brand" which has been prepared according the common Islamic regulations of Islamic Religious Branches and they agreed that with regard to the different nations and nationalities in Europe, this common standard



will be very useful. The Director of CEUSS declared the request of being the representative of "Halalworld" in Europe, especially in Switzerland. It was assigned that the necessary studies to implement this request will be followed by two sides and a MOU will be signed in near future.

Halal" Trade in the Session of Iran & Turkey Merchants in Ankara

The meeting of the Development of Commercial Relations and Investment among Iran and Turkey held with Trade Ministers of two countries and responsible authorities in bank affairs, insurance, custom, and trade development in two countries and 180 Iranian merchants and artisan and also Turkey industrial activists, with joint efforts of Iran Chamber of Commerce Industries and Mines and the Organization of Trade Development in Hotel Crown Plaza, Turkey.

Two ministers emphasized the necessity to find opportunities for trade of Halal produc-

tions and cooperation in this filed.

In this session, a copy of English Halal magazine which included "Global Standards on Halal food according to Bases of all Islamic Mdhhabs" was presented to Mr. Koorshad Touzman (Turkey Trade Minister) and Mr. Msoud Mirkazemei (Iran Trade Minister) by Executive Manager of ICRIC and he explained this important step will improve Halal-world production trade. Both ministers welcomed the idea and promised to support this effort.

Halalworld Brand in the Second Conference of Turkey Food and Halal Certification



Second Conference on Halal Food was held in Istanbul on 25-26 April 2009. Executive Manger of ICRIC from Iran, also deputy and advisor of the Organization of Standard and Industrial Research from Iran were presented.

in this conference which was held by effort of the Institution of Halal Products Research Institute of GIMDES from Turkey, about 20 Halal centers from different countries have been attended and lecturers from Indonesia, America, Malaysia, Australia, Kazakhstan, Turkey and etc, were speaking about importance of Halal trade, criteria and standards for audiences and then answered to the questions.

In this meeting, the necessity of a global and

common standard for Halal productions was stressed and then the representative of Halal-world Brand in Turkey, Dr. Zehforoosh, distributed HalaL Magazine among attendees in conference and announced that ICRIC with the grace of God and for the first time has been able to prepare Global Standard on Halal Food according to Common Bases of all Islamic Madhhabs" which prepared in Halal English Magazine. He added that all Halal institution in the world with the permission of ICRIC can use it. This matter brought happiness among the attendees and it was determined that the centers be in contact and coordination with ICRIC to perform this Global Standard everywhere.



Meeting and Discussion with SMIDEC's Managers

Following a meeting with managers from SMIDEC center and Executive manager of ICRIC in Tehran, another meeting held with the managers of Small and Medium Industry Development Company (SMIDEC) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. In this meeting, they discussed about the ways of cooperation in

Halal industry and also cooperation and informing about Malaysia Small and Medium Industry Company with Halal projects and also with the OIC Networking SME Agencies, ONSA, of ICRIC was discussed and decided to continue bilateral cooperation in this filed.



Meeting and Discussion with Malaysia Halal's Managers

In a meeting with Executive Manager of ICRIC and the managers of Halal Industry Development Corporation (HDC) which was done by the cooperation of Malaysia Small and Medium Industry Development Company (SMIDEC), they discussed about existing

problems in united Halal Brand in Islamic World and ICRIC's suggestion regarding a united Halal Brand according to "Common Bases of all Islamic Branches". A MOU will be signed in this filed between HDC and ICRIC in the future.

Visiting of "Research Institute of Halal Productions"

Professor Yaakob Bin Che Man (the Head of Research Institute of Halal Production of Putra University of Malaysia (UPM) invited the Executive Manager of ICRIC. Executive Manager of ICRIC visited this institute and its equipped Halal laboratory on 6/5/2009 in Putra-Jaya, Malaysia and made familiar with the methods of examinations related to Halal which has done by professors



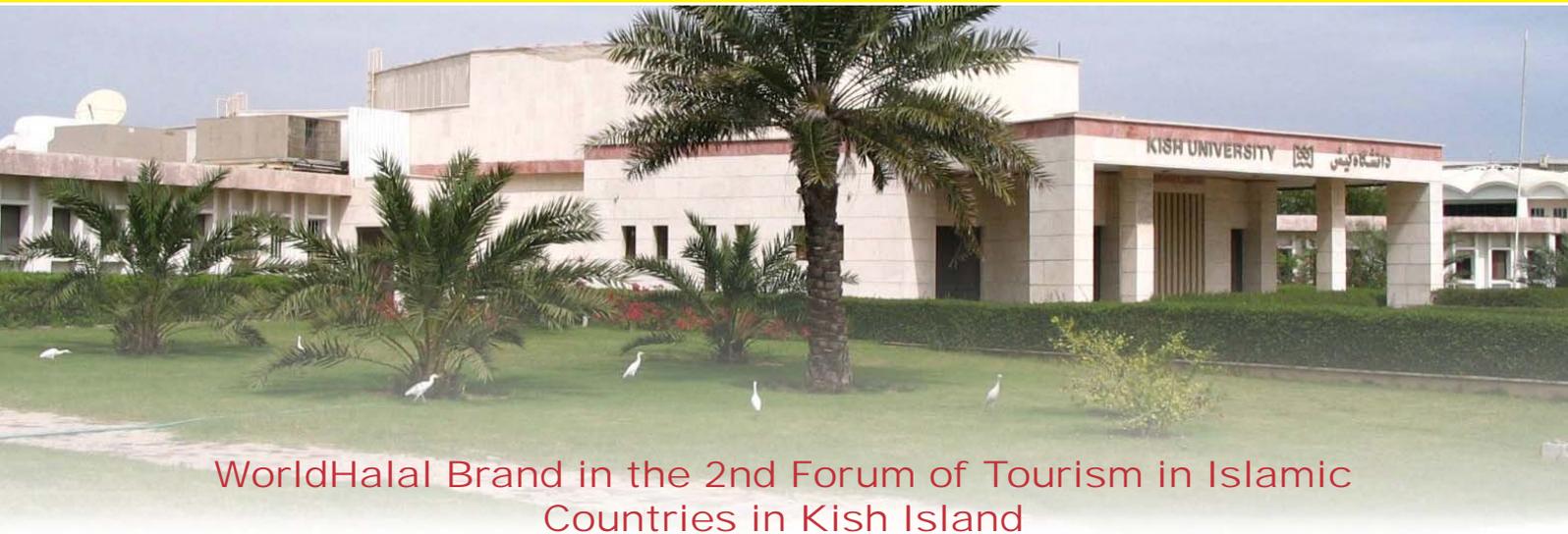
and students. Dr. Yaakob stated that students of M.S and P.H.D from different nationalities are studying Halal subjects in this institute. They talked also about the necessity of a United Halal Brand according to "Common Bases of all Islamic Madhhabs" and professor Yaakob agreed upon this idea.

Cooperation with two exhibitions in China



In a meeting with Dr. Jang v, the Head of the Development of China International Trade , and his accompanying delegation consisting of some of the owners of Chinese industries and trade managers with the Executive Manager of ICRIC, emphasized on necessity of world Halal brand and certification for exporting food products, pharmaceutical, hygienic and cosmetics of China to Islamic countries and the position of ICRIC in management of

International Halal Brand. Also he informed the Chinese delegation about the agreements among Ninshia and Yinchoan Province with ICRIC and announced ICRIC's readiness for signing MOU with other provinces .Dr. Jang while approving this issue, explained the initiatives for holding two international Halal exhibitions in Shening and Yinchoan within ten days and invited Iranian producers to presence these exhibitions.



WorldHalal Brand in the 2nd Forum of Tourism in Islamic Countries in Kish Island

The meeting regarding the achievements of the 3rd International Conference on Investment and Privatization and 2nd Forum of Tourism in Islamic Countries was held in IC-CIM with the attendance of Head of ICCIM, Managing Director of Kish Free Trade Zone Organization, Deputy Head of Iran's Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism Organization, Managing Director of Iranian Privatization Organization and a group of managers from the private sector. According to the report of ICCIM Public Relations; Head of IC-CIM, "Mohammad Nahavandian" pointed to the importance of these two seminars, noting that these seminars show a practical group cooperation and coordination of the private sector in this movement.

Emphasizing on the promotion of regional cooperation after the global economic crisis, he said the countries in the region should give priority to regional cooperation and Islamic countries should establish closer relationship in this regard. He also added if Islamic countries want to achieve their goals they should develop their cooperation in the economic sector and pay more attention to long-term joint investments. Executive Director of Islamic Chamber Research and Information Center, "Abdolhossein Fakhari" expressed that Halal brand is being used in Iran and in some European and Eastern Asian countries and it is for the first time that Halal food is being packaged with the acceptance of all Islamic schools.

Signing a MOU between Halal world and Ministry Of Health

The First MOU between the Ministry of Health Treatment and Medical Education and ICRIC on Halal World issues was signed between Dr. Dinarvand, Deputy of Food and Medicine of Ministry of Health and Dr. Nahavandian, Director of Islamic Chamber of Research and Information Center in the following topics of cooperation:

1. Expert and scientific cooperation on assessment process of producing Halal foods, Pharmaceutical, Cosmetic and Hygienic Products.

2. Cooperation on Halal assessment of Imported goods to the country.

3. Cooperation on inserting Halal brand on exported and Imported products to the country.

4. Cooperation on holding conferences on

Training Scientific Professional in the filed of Halal. Experts Also, ICRIC has committed to consider viewpoints of Deputy of Food and Medicine in Halal certification granting process, and to use their experts in assessments inside and outside the Country.

In the forth part of this agreement has written :

"According to this agreement, Halal certificate, issued by ICRIC for Domestic Products is known as accredited by Deputy of Food and Medicine of Ministry of Health Treatment and Medical Education and inserting Particular brand of ICRIC will be necessary on these products. Also, the Ministry providing assistance to ICRIC, in development and scientific and laboratorial assessments.



Halal World in New Zealand

New Zealand is one of the most important producers of meat and dairy productions to the different parts of the world among them Islamic countries. For this reason this country is a familiar name for the Muslims. This trade interaction has been caused that since 3 past decades, most of slaughter house engaged slaughtering according to Islamic laws regulations. For the permanent assessment of this processes and also dairy productions according to Halal World Standards and the necessity of unification of Halal brands certifying bodies which are active in this country, travelling to New Zealand and discussing with authorities and industrial actives was planed and came in to implementation.

Dr. Fakhari, Executive manager of ICRIC has travelled to New Zealand and he had the meetings with the Manager of NZFSA (New Zealand Food Safety Authority) and economic authorities of New Zealand Foreign Affairs Ministry. He has been succeeded to explain them about the importance and the observance of Halalworld standard. He added that this standard was approved recently by Islamic countries and ICRIC is designed of pursuing of implementing Halalworld certification in different countries. This subject was welcomed by them not only from the structure of hygiene controls but also from the trade development and they demanded expanding relation with ICRIC.

Separate visits have done in Wellington and Auckland (political and commercial capital of New Zealand), Chamber of Commerce of Auckland, Responsible of Meat Industry Association (MIA) and Fish Industry Council of New Zealand, New Zealand and Middle East Trade Council, representative of investors group of New Zealand (who are interested in investment in Halal projects in Islamic countries). After each meeting they declared their interests to be present in Halal market by ICRIC's consulting of its experts. It was agreed that Al- Rasoul Company (ICRICs' Halal delegation in Oceanic Area) to be the liaison between two parts. Al- Rasoul Company is a non-governmental non-profit organization in New Zealand, as ICRIC's representative in Halal issues that, present consultation services to industrial organizations and enterprises in the region.

A visiting was done of the well equipped and industrial abattoir, Green Lee, in the industrial city of Hamilton (120 KM from Auckland) that slaughters animals by Islamic religious laws. In this meeting, they assigned that proposed changes for completion of Halal process will be presented to them. It is clear that ICRIC took an effective step with this journey towards the Halal development in Oceanic Region.

Halal World Brand in Europe



The First awarding ceremony of Halal Brand in Europe was being held in Vienna, capital of Austria, on January 14, 2010 in auditorium of Radisson Hotel. Dr. Nahavandian, the Head of Islamic Chamber of Research and Information Center (ICRIC) and the Head of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines (ICCIM), H.E the Ambassador of Islamic Republic of Iran, Austria Ambassador in Iran and a group of official authorities of two countries, managements from Ottakringer Brewery Company and Kilos Food Industries Complex, were presented in this ceremony. First, the ambassadors of two countries expressed important subjects on promoting of economical relations, friendship background

and the old cooperation between two countries. Then Dr. Nahavandian emphasized to the economical managers attention to the bilateral advantage of two countries in the economical scope away from political challenges. He was pointing to the subject of Halal Trade as a path for cooperation of Islamic world with other countries.

The presence of food, pharmaceutical, cosmetics and hygienic producers and also Halal issue in services such as: hoteling, catering, banking and even manufacturing of machinery tools according to defined standards of Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC), which was finalized recently in COMCEC, will attract a noticeable share of extensive Halal trade from non-Muslim countries. At the end of this ceremony, Halal certification of those two important companies was awarded by the Head of ICRIC. Kilos Food Industries Complex from Iran and Ottakringer Brewery Company are producing "barely water" beverage with high standard and without alcohol.

Halal World Introduction in Denmark

Denmark is one of the major exporters of food products to the world and since "Halal" brand is a kind of permission of these products for Muslims. Therefore this country should be familiar with the process of receiving Halal certificate and its standard for these products.

Dr. Nahavandian the Head of Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines discussed about "Halal" in different meetings with the authorities of Denmark Chamber, Denmark Industries Confederation, Deputy of

Foreign Ministry, the Head of Denmark Trade Council, the Directors of Middle East, International affairs and also industrial activists of this country. He informed about necessities and the process of joining to Halal and he has also emphasized about holding the First International Halal Fair and Forum in Tehran on March 2-5, 2010 which is an opportunity for presenting of Denmark Companies in this Exhibition. He also invited Denmark Companies to present in this event.

Cooperation of ECO Members on "Halal"



Dr. Nahavandian, the head of Iran Chamber of Commerce, Industries and Mines (ICCIM) and the head of Islamic Chamber of Research and Information Center (ICRIC) attended in the 10th General Assembly and 13th Executive Committee Meetings of ECO Chamber of Commerce and Industry on December 23-24, 2009 in Istanbul, Turkey. In the meetings and discussions he spoke about the importance of the "Halal" issue and he evaluated the achievements on compiling "Halal Food Standard" in COMCEC meetings of the Organization of Islamic Countries (OIC) with the presence of representatives of stan-

dard organizations of 30 Islamic countries in Turkey. He appreciated the role of Iran and Turkey in fulfillment of this event.

Also, he has invited the heads of ECO's chambers to participate actively in the First International Halal Fair and Forum which will be held on March 2-5, 2010 in Tehran to take the advantages of the opportunity of holding this kind of exhibitions and forums to develop Halal trade and knowledge. In this meeting, posters and brochures of the Exhibition and Forum were distributed and the heads of ECO's Chambers promised for all kinds of cooperation.

Halal World Brand in Cyprus



The first applicant food producer companies of Halal world brand in Cyprus were audited by experts and assessors of ICRIC. During a journey on Wednesday to Cyprus Dr. Karbasi, member of the Board of Director of ICIRC and Dr. Zehforoosh, representative of Halal World in Turkey visited producing processes of cheese and dairy products of two

factories MERIC and AKGOL and discussed with their product managers about producing processes and additives. It was assigned that in case of being qualified of these factories for receiving Halal certification; these certifications will be award during a ceremony simultaneously with the First International Halal Fair and Forum in Tehran.