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Omnibus Resolution

We, the Ulama, coming from all parts of the Philippines and gathered at the Bayview Park Hotel, Manila, this 19th to the 21st of Muharram 1429A.H., corresponding to the 28th to the 30th of January 2008, and participating in the First National Summit of Ulama in the Philippines organized by the Philippine Council for Islam and Democracy,

Recognizing the vital role of the Ulama in establishing an Allah-fearing, religiously oriented, morally upright, economically stable, peaceful and peace-loving Muslim community in the Philippines;

Aware that the Muslims in the Philippines look up at the Ulama as their guide and link to the Qur'anic message and the Prophetic tradition;

Acknowledging that the Ulama is duty-bound to take the lead in charting a peaceful, just, democratic, progressive, and tolerant Muslim community in the Philippines that will serve as an example to other communities; and

Recognizing that the Ulama need to assert the rights of the Muslims in the Philippines not only in domestic and communal life but also in matters of decision-making that affect their participation in governance,

Hereby agree and unanimously adopt this Omnibus Resolution

Urging the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) to return to the negotiating table and resolve the disagreements between them through a peaceful discussion that will eventually end with the signing of a final agreement of peace in the Bangsamoro homeland;

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Urging the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) to review the Final Peace Agreement (FPA) signed between them in September 1996 and perform and pursue the required mandate of the said agreement;

Urging the President of the Philippines to immediately appoint the Jurisconsult in Islamic Law and Jurisprudence from the ranks of the Ulama, experienced in Shari'ah, who should take the lead in organizing the Office of the Jurisconsult;

Urging the National Government to immediately implement the establishment of the Shari'ah Appellate Court as mandated by Republic Act No. 9054, and the President of the Philippines to immediately appoint the Presiding Justice and two Associate Justices of the said Court;

Urging the National Government through the Department of Education to strengthen the Madrasah education project and fully support the teaching of Arabic language and Islamic moral values in all areas of the Philippines where such teaching is appropriate, and to implement the DepEd Order pertaining to assistance to private madaris;

Urging the National Government through the Commission on Higher Education to strengthen its support for the institutes and centers of Islamic and Arabic studies in state universities and colleges;

Urging the National Government through the Civil Service Commission, the Department of Education, and the Commission on Higher Education to recognize and accredit collegiate degrees obtained by the Ulama in Islamic and Arabic universities and institutions of higher learning in evaluating credentials for government employment;

Urging the President of the Philippines to appoint as leader of the Filipino Muslim pilgrims (Amir al-Hajj) during the annual pilgrimage to Makkah, Saudi Arabia, a person from the ranks of the Ulama, the pilgrimage (hajj) being a religious duty incumbent upon Muslims to perform under the guidance of a Muslim religious leader;

Urging the National Government through the Department of Justice to review the cases of

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Muslims, especially Muslim religious leaders who are apprehended by the military and police and who are now languishing in jails and detention centers on charges of violating the Anti-Terror Act, grant them access to legal assistance and in the absence of evidence against them, free them from this arbitrary detention;

Urging the National Government and concerned local government units to review and stop the Balikatan exercises from taking place in peaceful Muslim areas as such would create an impression of intrusion upon the peace and harmony in these areas;

Urging the National Government through the Department of Foreign Affairs to use its diplomatic influence in convincing the Israeli government to lift the blockade over Gaza for humanitarian reasons;

It is further resolved that copies of this Resolution be submitted to concerned Offices and Agencies with the request for their adoption and immediate implementation.

Signed this 21st day of Muharram 1429 A.H., corresponding to 30th day of January 2008, in the City of Manila.

(Signed by 175 participants of the First National Summit of Ulama in the Philippines held at the Manila Bay View Park Hotel.)

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