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16 April 2009

To: AFIC Member State Islamic Councils
AFIC Executive Committee Members

Re: **Nominations for AFIC Elections - 45th Annual Congress**

Assalamu alaikum wa Rahmatullahi wa Barakatuh,

I am writing to advise that the following nominations were received by the closing date of Thursday 9 April 2009.

Some of these nominations are not valid. The notes listed against candidate's names explain the reasons for all decisions.

It is important to consider the requirements of the AFIC Constitution with regard to nominations for elective positions:

"Section 31 Nominations"

- (1) State Councils shall have the right to nominate candidates for the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.
- (2) Nominations shall be in writing, signed by the President/Chairman and the Secretary of the State Council for and on behalf of the State Council indicating clearly the position for which the nomination is made.
- (3) All nominations must be consented to by the nominee in writing.
- (4) Not more than one person shall be nominated for one position by a State Council."

AFIC President

1. Br Ikebal Patel

2. Br Ameer Ali

3. Br Esad Alagic Invalid Nomination (See Note 2)

4. Br Rahim Ghauri Valid Nomination (See Note 1)

5. Br Abbas Ahmed

AFIC Vice President

1. Br Hafez Kassem

2. Br Rahim Ghauri Invalid Nomination (See Note 1)

3. Br Esad Alagic Invalid Nomination (See Note 2)

AFIC Secretary

1. Br Harun Abdullah

2. Br Ahmad Dabboussi

3. Br Aslam Kazi Invalid Nomination (See Note 2)

4. Br Rahim Ghauri Invalid Nomination (See Note 1)

5. Br Munir Hussain

AFIC Treasurer

1. Br Mohamed Masood

2. Br Adnan Sert

3. Br Aslam Kazi Invalid Nomination (See Note 2)

4. Br Rahim Ghauri Invalid Nomination (See Note 1)

Note 1: The Muslim Council of New South Wales nominated Br Rahim Ghauri for the position of President. This nomination is valid.

However, Br Rahim Ghauri also submitted nominations forms for each of the 4 elective Executive positions. In each case Page 1 of the form was completed and attached was a single copy of Pages 2 & 3 which contained the endorsement of the State Council (ICWA). Br Rahim wrote a note on Page 2 which stated “pages 2 & 3 should serve the purpose for all four positions applied for.”


It should be noted that individuals do not nominate for elective positions. State Councils make nominations and individuals give their consent to those nominations. ICWA has not made it clear as to which positions they intended to nominate Br Rahim Ghauri. The situation was further confused by the fact that ICWA also nominated Br Ameer Ali for the position of AFIC President. This would have been contrary to Section 31(4) of the Constitution.

In conclusion, ICWA has not complied with Section 31(2) of the Constitution and the nominations of Br Rahim Ghauri for the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer are not valid.

Note 2: Nominations were received from Br Esad Alagic for the positions of President and Vice President and also from Br Aslam Kazi for the positions of Secretary and Treasurer. On 14 April 2009 I received a written communication from the Chairman of the Islamic Council of Victoria (Br Ramzi Elsayed) stating that Br Esad Alagic and Br Aslam Kazi had withdrawn all of their nominations and that the only nomination that has been endorsed by ICV is that of Br Mohamed Masood for the position of Treasurer.

AFIC is now under taking the process of checking that candidates, who have valid nominations, satisfy the Qualifications for Office Bearers of the Federation as specified in Section 26 of the AFIC Constitution and in Corporations Law.

Wassalam,
Yours in Islam,


f Harun Abdullah,
Acting Secretary.

Cc: AFIC Member Societies.