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RESOLUTIONS OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

ADOPTED AT ITS THIRTY-FOURTH

ORDINARY SESSION

VOTE OF THANKS

The Council of Ministers of the OAU meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Having concluded its deliberations on schedule and exhausted all its agenda items in a spirit of African fraternity and in an atmosphere of traditional Ethiopian hospitality,

Expresses deep gratitude to Chairman Mengistu Haile Mariam for inaugurating the Thirty-Fourth Ordinary Session of the OAU Council of Ministers,

Expresses thanks and gratitude to the Government and people of Socialists Ethiopia for their hospitality the efficient services provided and preparations made to ensure the success of the Session,

Further thanks Colonel Dr. Feleke Gedle Giorgis, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Socialists Ethiopia for chairing and conducting the deliberations of the Council's Session efficiently, thus guaranteeing its success,

Expresses gratitude and appreciation to the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity the members of the OAU Secretariat, the Secretaries, Interpreters and Translators and all other unknown soldiers of this Session for their services and support and for helping to bring its work to a satisfactory conclusion.

RESOLUTION ON THE ACP/EEC LOME CONVENTION

(LOME II): DOC. CM/1030 (XXXIV)

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Having heard the excellent introductory remarks by the representative of the Chairman of the OAU Group in Brussels, Belgium, on the ACP/EEC Lome Convention (Lome II): Doc. CM/1030 (XXXIV),

Recalling Resolution CM/Res. 747 (XXXIII) Rev.1 on the renegotiation of the ACP/EEC Lome Convention,

Recalling further Resolutions 656 (XXXI) and CM/Res. 746 (XXXIII) Rev.1 relating to the OAU Group in Brussels:

1. **TAKES NOTE**, with appreciation, of the report presented by the Chairman of the OAU Group in Brussels;
2. **COMMENDS** the Head of State of the Republic of Togo, General Gnassingbe, the OAU Group in Brussels and the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity for their significant contributions to the successful conclusion of the renegotiations on the ACP/EEC Lome Convention;
3. **CALLS UPON** the OAU Member States, members of the ACP Group, to take necessary measures for the early ratification of the new Lome Convention;

- 4. NOTES with particular interest the decision of the ACP Council of Ministers to convene an extra-ordinary session in Kingston, Jamaica, during 1980 on intra-ACP Co-operation;**
- 5. NOTES with satisfaction the establishment of the OAU Office in Brussels and calls upon the Secretary-General to render all possible support to the efforts of the ACP Group.**

**RESOLUTION ON BUREAU FOR TROPICAL
FORESTRY RESEARCH**

The Council of Ministers of the OAU, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa Ethiopia from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Recalling Res. CM/559 (XXIX) adopted by the Council of Ministers and approved by the Heads of State and Government in Libreville, 1977, relating to the establishment of an Inter-African Bureau for Tropical Forest Research:

1. **APPROVES** the recommendations made by the Inter-African Scientific Consultants on Tropical forestry upon instruction of the Heads of State;
2. **REAFFIRMS** the establishment of an Inter-African Bureau for Tropical Forestry Research;
3. **RECOMMENDS** that the Secretary-General take the necessary measures to ensure a take off of the Tropical Forestry Research Bureau by presenting the financial implications of the project to the next Advisory Committee meeting.

**RESOLUTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN
AFRICAN CULTURAL FUND, DOC. CM/1024 (XXXIV)**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Recalling Resolution CM/Res. 758 adopted on the Inter-African Cultural Fund by the Thirty-third Ordinary Session of the Council held in Monrovia from 6 to 20 July 1979,

Recalling the objectives of the African Cultural Charter,

Taking note of the report submitted by the General Secretariat of the establishment of an African Cultural Fund (CM/1024 (XXXIV):

1. CALLS UPON all Member States to make their observations known to the OAU Secretary-General not later than the end of May 1980;
2. DECIDES to consider the entire report once again at its Thirty-fifth Ordinary Session;
3. CALLS UPON all Member States which have not yet done so to kindly ratify the Cultural Charter for Africa as soon as possible.

RESOLUTION ON THE THIRD ALL-AFRICA TRADE FAIR, KHARTOUM
(SUDAN) 3 – 17 NOVEMBER 1980

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Recalling Resolution CM/Res.664 (XXXI) adopted by the Council of Ministers of the OAU at its Thirty-first Ordinary Session in Khartoum, Sudan, on the Third All-Africa Trade Fair in July 1978;

Recalling the relevant resolutions adopted on the Fairs held in Nairobi and Algiers;

Taking Note of the report of the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity on the proceedings of the preparatory Committee of the Third All-Africa Trade Fair scheduled for Khartoum Sudan, from 3 to 17 November 1980;

Having heard the statement of the representative of the Democratic Republic of the Sudan on the preparations of the Fair;

Recognizing the important role played by Trade Fairs in strengthening and promoting Inter-African Trade;

1. CONGRATULATES the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Sudan for the arrangements and preparations to make the Third All-Africa Trade Fair a great triumph and reflection of African solidarity;
2. URGES all Member States of the Preparatory Committee to do their utmost to take an active part in the forthcoming meetings of the Committee the next of which will be held in Khartoum from 24 to 28 March 1980;

- 3. URGENTLY CALLS on all OAU Member States to make every effort towards the promotion of Inter-African Trade by participating massively in the Third All Africa Trade Fair and consequently to communicate to the host Government their intention to participate in the Fair in June 1980, at the latest;**
- 4. RECOMMENDS that OAU Member States should not organize similar Fairs from 3 to 17 March, 1980 when the Khartoum Fair will be in progress so as to ensure the success of the latter;**
- 5. REQUESTS the Advisory Committee on Administrative, Financial and Budgetary Matters to meet before the end of the current month to consider and approve the financial contribution of the OAU in the organization of the Fair and the construction of the OAU Pavilion in accordance with the practice established during the previous Fairs.**

RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION OF REFUGEES IN AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Recalling its resolution CM/Res.727 (XXXIII) on the situation of Refugees in Africa and on Prospective Solutions to their problems in the 1980s,

Having carefully considered the steps already taken by the OAU Secretary-General by way of restructuring and reactivating the Bureau for the Placement and Education of African Refugees (BPEAR),

Deeply concerned with the large increase in the number of refugees in Africa and in particular the high concentrations of refugees in African countries having particularly limited economic resources:

1. **REAFFIRMS** all the principles enshrined in the 1969 OAU Convention Governing the Specific Aspects of Refugees Problems in Africa;
2. **REITERATES** its call on all those Member States that have not done so to ratify the international texts on refugees, namely the 1951 UN Convention, the 1967 Protocol and the 1969 OAU Convention on Refugees;
3. **ADOPTS** the Report of the 12th Ordinary Session of the OAU Commission of Ten on Refugees in Africa held from October 29th to 2nd November, 1979, in Addis Ababa;
4. **COMMENDS** the OAU Secretary-General for the steps so far taken by way of restructuring and reactivating the BPEAR;

5. **ACCEPTS** the principle of sending a delegation of the OAU Commission of Ten on Refugees in Africa to those countries whose names will be identified by the OAU General Secretariat in consultation with Member States with a view to studying refugee problems;
6. **INVITES** countries not sheltering refugees or accommodating only a limited number of refugees to take necessary measures with a view to sharing the burden with countries sheltering refugees;
7. **APPRECIATES** the efforts of the Member States of the OAU, international organizations and voluntary agencies that have persistently supported the OAU/BPEAR;
8. **REAFFIRMS** its full support to the people of Zimbabwe in their struggle for the attainment of genuine independence;
9. **REQUESTS** the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to involve the OAU in the implementation of the repatriation program of Zimbabwe on refugees;
10. **CALLS** upon the British authority to take every measure to facilitate the return of Rhodesian refugees in conformity with the provisions of the Lancaster House Agreement;
11. **REQUESTS** Member States of the OAU to transmit to the OAU General Secretariat their plans regarding the implementation of the recommendation of the Arusha Conference on the situation of Refugees in Africa and hails, in this respect, the decision of the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Sudan to declare 1980 a National Year of African Refugees in Sudan and appeals to them so that they make further contributions to solve the heart rendering problems of African Refugees.

RESOLUTION ON THE REVIEW OF THE
SALARY SCALE OF THE OAU

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Having heard the Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Organization (Doc.CM/1002 (XXXIV) Part One,

Noting the difficulties encountered by the Secretary-General in recruiting qualified staff owing to the relatively low salaries paid to the staff members of the OAU,

Considering that it is in the interest of the Organization to have highly qualified staff and capable of helping to attain the objectives of the OAU,

Conscious of the fact that the difficulties encountered in recruiting competent staff are delaying the establishment of the new structures of the Organization, and consequently the expeditious implementation of economic and social development programmes which, at present, is one of the major preoccupations of all Member States:

1. **AUTHORIZES** the Secretary-General to consult with the Advisory Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial Matters in order to review the present salary scale of the OAU;
2. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to submit a report on this subject to the next Session of the Council.

**RESOLUTION ON THE REVIEW OF THE INSTALLATION
ALLOWANCE FOR THE OAU STAFF**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Having heard the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Organization, (Doc.CM/1002 (XXXIV) Part. I),

Noting the difficulties experienced by the newly recruited or transferred staff in obtaining residential houses upon assumption of duty,

Considering that it often takes more than 30 days to obtain such residential houses in many countries where OAU Offices are situated,

Aware of the fact that these difficulties may create uncomfortable situations for the staff members concerned and their families with regard to the expenses involved:

1. **AUTHORIZES** the Secretary-General to review in consultation with the Advisory Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial Matters, the rules at present governing the payment of the installation allowance to the newly recruited or transferred staff with a view to extending the period of such payment subject to budgetary provisions and the respect of the relevant provisions of the regulations of the Organization of African Unity;
2. **DECIDES** that such a review should apply to all duty stations for which, in the opinions of the Secretary-General, payment of installation grants should be reviewed on the basis of the housing situation obtaining in countries hosting the OAU Offices.

RESOLUTION ON THE CO-ORDINATION OF THE
ACTIVITIES OF OAU SPECIALIZED
AGENCIES

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Considering that Article 2, paragraph 2 of the OAU Charter, stipulates that Member States co-ordinate and harmonize their general policies in all fields including economic co-operation, and development, culture and social affairs,

Recalling the relevant resolutions approved by the OAU Heads of State and Government regarding the establishment of the OAU Specialized Agencies,

Recalling Resolution CM/672 (XXXI) which called for a report on the activities of OAU Specialized Agencies,

Referring to the Report of the Secretary-General on the difficulties caused by the Specialized Agencies in the co-ordination of their activities,

Conscious of the necessity to co-ordinate the activities of the OAU Specialized Agencies for the achievement of overall development and progress in Africa:

1. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General of the OAU to:
 - a) **Follow and co-ordinate the activities of the Specialized Agencies of the OAU in accordance with its general policy;**
 - b) **Periodically convene, a meeting of the heads of the Specialized OAU Agencies to better co-ordinate and harmonize the activities of these institutions;**
 - c) **Submit periodically to the Council of Ministers an appropriate report on the activities of the said Specialized Agencies;**

- 2. INVITES the OAU Specialized Agencies to co-operate with the OAU Secretary-General and periodically submit to him reports on their activities.**

RESOLUTION ON AFRO-ARAB CO-OPERATION

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-Fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 6 to 15 February 1980,

After carefully considering the Report of the Secretary-General on Afro-Arab Co-operation,

Recalling Resolution CM/Res.721 (XXXIII) Rev.1 adopted by the Council of Ministers in its Thirty-Third Ordinary Session in Monrovia, Liberia from 6 to 20 July, 1979,

Reaffirming its belief in and commitment to the basic principles of Afro-Arab Co-operation as defined by the First Afro-Arab Summit:

1. TAKES NOTE of the Secretary-General's Report on Afro-Arab Co-operation;
2. REAFFIRMS its constant readiness to promote, strengthen and consolidate the noble ideas of Afro-Arab Co-operation in the supreme interest of the African and Arab peoples;
3. REAFFIRMS furthermore the principle according to which all OAU Member States are entitled to be invited to and participate in all the meetings on Afro-Arab Co-operation;
4. REQUESTS that consultations be held immediately between both Secretariats, with a view to fixing the dates and venues of:
 - a) the Fifth Session of the Standing Commission,

- b) the Fifth Session of the Joint Afro-Arab, Ministerial conference,
 - c) the Second Session of the Afro-Arab Summit Conference.
5. **REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General to undertake consultations with his counterpart of the Arab League with a view to drawing up a Joint Afro-Arab programme of activities and meetings to be communicated to all Member States and requests both Organizations to follow, as much as possible, the common calendar and programme thus drawn up.**

RESOLUTION ON CHAD

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General on the question of Chad contained in Doc. CM/1022 (XXXIV),

Considering the detailed expose on the prevailing situation in Chad made by the leader of the delegation of Chad,

Having also been appraised of the developments in Chad since the Lagos Conference and Accord of August 1979,

Bearing in mind that the negotiations at Lagos were essentially the genuine effort of Africa to find a solution to an African problem,

Gravely concerned at the deteriorating economic situation in Chad as a result of the unstable political situation prior to the Lagos Conference and in view of its landlocked position, subjected to natural calamity and in particular the drought which affected it since 1973,

Convinced of the need to have an OAU Peace Keeping Force in Chad as agreed during the Lagos Conference and for the purpose of maintaining law and order until the formation of an integrated national army of Chad,

Aware of the OAU Current Chairman's appeal to Member States to make voluntary financial contributions for the maintenance of the OAU Peace Force in Chad,

Anxious to ensure the rapid implementation of the Lagos Accord in all its aspects notably the withdrawal of French troops and the demilitarization of the city of N'Djamena,

Also concerned at the increasing provocative interferences through articles in the mass media of a certain power in an attempt to discredit the efforts of Transitional National Union Government to establish permanent peace and security in Chad:

- 1. TAKES NOTE of the Report of the Secretary-General on the question of Chad contained in document CM/1022 (XXIV);**
- 2. APPROVES the dispatch of an OAU Peace Keeping Force from Benin, Congo and Guinea to Chad for the purpose of maintaining law and order as stipulated by the Lagos accord;**
- 3. ACCEPTS the principle that OAU bears the financial responsibility for the African Peace Keeping operation in Chad;**
- 4. Requests the OAU Secretary-General to prepare, with the co-operation of the OAU Advisory Committee on Financial and Budgetary Matters, a provisional budget for financing the costs of the Chad operations to be submitted to the next sessions of the Council of Ministers;**
- 5. URGES further all OAU Member States, which have not yet done so, to pay the minimum voluntary contribution of US\$50,000.00 each as requested by the Current Chairman of the OAU;**
- 6. SOLEMNLY APPEALS to all OAU Member States, organization and programmes of the United Nations system to render urgent and effective international assistance to the present government of Chad in accordance with the resolution of the 34th Session of the General Assembly;**

- 7. WARMLY CONGRATULATES the leaders of Chad for efforts so far deployed to implement the Lagos Accord and thereby establish permanent peace in Chad;**
- 8. CALLS UPON the leaders of Chad to redouble their efforts to implement the remaining elements of the Lagos Accord within the shortest possible time;**
- 9. APPEALS to all neighboring countries of Chad to scrupulously observe that part of the Lagos Accord which deals with the non-interference in the internal affairs of Chad and for the respect of its territorial integrity and national sovereignty;**
- 10. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the provocative interference of foreign powers through the use of their mass media to discredit the Transitional National Government of Chad and undermine its efforts to obtain national unity and peace;**
- 11. REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General, in collaboration with the UN Secretary-General, to urgently call an International Pledging Conference to seek assistance for Chad;**
- 12. FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the OAU to submit a report to the 35th Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers on the implementation of this resolution.**

RESOLUTION ON SOUTH AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Having considered the report of the 34th Ordinary Session of the OAU Coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa and the Secretary-General's report on South Africa,

Having heard the statements of the representatives of the National Liberation Movements of South Africa,

Considering the continued intransigence and arrogance of the apartheid regime characterized by increased repression, arms build-up and war preparations,

Convinced that the struggle for national liberation and self determination in South Africa is inextricably linked with the problem of decolonization and genuine independence in Zimbabwe and Namibia,

Considering that the collaboration of some Western countries with the Pretoria regime through continued investments and the provision of bank loans, the transfer of technology, nuclear collaboration sale of oil and the violation of the arms embargo not only encourage the regime in its programme of aggression against independent African States,

Convinced that the continued subversion as well as threats and acts of aggression perpetrated by the Pretoria regime against the neighboring African States are part of the sinister plan to destabilize and overthrow the governments of these countries in preparation for the creation of the so-called constellation of Southern African States,

Convinced further that the so-called constellation of Southern African States is designed to serve as a political, economic and military base under the domination of the Pretoria regime meant for the preservation of apartheid.

Convinced that the racist policy of South Africa as denounced by the international community calls for the imposition of mandatory sanctions under Chapter 7 of the Charter of the UN,

Reaffirming paragraphs 10 and 11 of CM/Res.734 (XXXIII)

Determined to increase its co-operation with the non-governmental organizations, the Liberation Movements and the United Nations specialized agencies in pursuit of the world campaign for the isolation of the apartheid regime and solidarity with the struggle against apartheid,

- 1. COMMENDS the National Liberation Movements for their revolutionary efforts to intensify the armed struggle and the mobilization of the masses throughout the country;**
- 2. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the Pretoria regime for its obstinate pursuit of the policy of apartheid, Bantustanisation, and acts of terrorism, repression, mass arrests, detentions and murders;**
- 3. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the Pretoria regime for the death sentence imposed on James Daniel Mange, an ANC militant and the long terms of imprisonment imposed on militants of the National Liberation Movement for their opposition to apartheid;**
- 4. REQUESTS the Member States and the African Group at the United Nations to take appropriate measures to strengthen the campaign for the immediate and unconditional release of all political prisoners as well as the granting of the status of prisoners of war to all captured freedom fighters;**

5. **WELCOMES** the convening of the OAU/UN conference to be held in Paris on the imposition of sanctions against racist South Africa and urges all Member States to participate fully in that conference;
6. **REQUESTS** the African Group at the United Nations to convene at the appropriate time the Security Council with the view to imposing comprehensive mandatory sanctions under Chapter VII of UN Charter against the racist regime;
7. **CALLS UPON** the Member States of the OAU and the international community to observe 26 June 1980 marking the adoption of the freedom Charter;
8. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS** the Western countries which continue their policy of investments, the violation of arms embargo, nuclear-collaboration and the supply of oil and bank loans to the Pretoria regime thus aggravating the threat to world peace;
9. **APPEALS** to the international community to increase its political, financial and material assistance to the National Liberation Movements of South Africa;
10. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS** and rejects the Pretoria regime's plan for the creation of the so-called Constellation of Southern African States;
11. **COMMENDS** those OAU Member States who have already unilaterally rejected Pretoria's overtures;
12. **RESOLVES** to wage a worldwide campaign of mobilization in support of the struggle for national liberation in South Africa;

- 13. RE-AFFIRMS its full commitment to support the struggle in all its forms including armed struggle for the seizure of power by the people in South Africa.**

**RESOLUTION ON THE ABDUCTION AND DETENTION OF
VICTOR MATLOU OF A.N.C. BY SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session, in Addis Ababa, from 6 to 15 February 1980,

Having heard a statement made by the Foreign Minister of the Government of Lesotho on the abduction, at gun point, of Victor Matlou by the racist South African Police on 12th December 1979, whilst he was on his way to Lesotho by Lesotho Airways flight QL 351,

Having noted that Lesotho Airways flight QL 351 was forced to land at the J.B.M. Hertzog Airport in Bloemfontein due to bad weather conditions at the Maseru Airport, the place to which Victor Matlou was destined,

Noting that Lesotho as a landlocked state totally surrounded by the racist Republic of South Africa has a right to establish direct air communication links with the rest of the world,

Bearing in mind that Lesotho has just established a new airline service at great sacrifice to reach the rest of the world and reduce its chronic dependence on South African Airways services,

Noting that interference with any Lesotho Airways flights and their passengers by the racist South African regime is prejudicial to the orderly development of Lesotho Airways,

Affirming that Lesotho is entitled as of right to seek protection by the international community for the safe conduct of her Airways services in and out of Lesotho,

Gravely concerned that the racist South African regime by its illegal action is violating not only the sovereignty of an OAU Member State of Lesotho but is also committing an act of piracy to the detriment of internationally accepted norms of communications and the rules and regulations of the International Civil Aviation Organization:

- 1. CONDEMNS South Africa for its acts of piracy against Lesotho Airways and its passengers;**
- 2. DEMANDS the unconditional and immediate release of Victor Matlou who as an international passenger, landed in South Africa in an emergency landing of Lesotho Airways flight QL 351;**
- 3. WARNS racist South Africa against any such interference with air services in and out of Lesotho;**
- 4. COMMENDS Lesotho which in spite of its geographically disadvantaged position has steadfastly resisted pressures from South Africa with regard to South African refugees residing in Lesotho;**
- 5. REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the OAU to urge the UN Secretary-General and the International Civil Aviation Organization to intervene with the racist Government of South Africa with the view to securing the immediate and unconditional release of Victor Matlou.**

RESOLUTION ON ZIMBABWE

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-fourth Ordinary Session, in Addis Ababa, from 6 to 15 February, 1980,

Having considered the prevailing developments in Southern Rhodesia (Zimbabwe),

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Southern Rhodesia,

Having also examined the report of the Thirty-fourth Session of the Co-ordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa on the question of Southern Rhodesia (CM/1023 (XXXIV),

Bearing in mind that the negotiations at Lancaster House in London were essentially the direct result of the armed struggle waged by the people of Zimbabwe led by the Patriotic Front as their sole legitimate and authentic representative,

Having affirmed also that the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland having resumed its responsibility as the Administering Authority must decolonize Southern Rhodesia on the basis of free and democratic elections, which will lead that territory to genuine independence acceptable to the international community in accordance with the objectives of United Nations General Assembly resolution 1514 (XV),

Gravely concerned at the numerous violations of the terms of the Lancaster House Agreement on the part of the Administering Authority, pertaining to the removal of all foreign forces from Southern Rhodesia, the confinement of all forces to their bases, the right of return of all Zimbabwean exiles and refugees, the release of all political prisoners and the exercise of impartiality in the process of the decolonization,

Deeply indignant at the reports of torture and harassment of refugees returning to Southern Rhodesia,

Gravely and particularly concerned at the continued presence of South African troops and mercenaries in Southern Rhodesia contrary to resolution 460 (1979) and 463 (1980) of the Security Council and assurance earlier given by the British Government to remove immediately all illegal foreign forces and mercenaries from Southern Rhodesia and the threat South Africa poses to the independence, unity and peace of Zimbabwe, as well as international peace and security,

Having deplored the constant threats and criminal acts perpetrated against the leaders of the Patriotic Front, and their supporters,

Gravely concerned at the massive and hostile propaganda carried out by the British authorities aimed at undermining the Patriotic Front,

Convinced that peace and security in the region depend on the holding of free and fair elections in Zimbabwe,

Gravely concerned at the deployment of the Rhodesian forces and auxiliaries for the purpose of maintaining so called Law and Order, in flagrant violation of the Lancaster House Agreement,

Indignant at the extension of Martial Law and the state of emergency in Southern Rhodesia and at the additional powers given to the Governor in violation of the letter and spirit of the Lancaster House Agreement:

1. **ENDORSES** the decisions and resolutions of the 34th Session of the Coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa on the question of Southern Rhodesia;

2. **HAILS the victory of the heroic Zimbabwean people and congratulates the Patriotic Front for its prosecution of the liberation struggle and for the decisive contribution in the negotiations at Lancaster House;**
3. **DECLARES SOLEMNLY that a just and lasting settlement in Zimbabwe will be possible only with the strict implementation of the Lancaster House Agreement and the full participation of the Patriotic Front at every stage of implementation;**
4. **COMMENDS the Patriotic Front for its compliance with the Lancaster House Agreement despite the many and grave violations of that Agreement by the British Authorities;**
5. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS the British Government for its violations of the terms of the Lancaster House Agreement, and for its maneuvers and hostile propaganda against the Patriotic Front;**
6. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS the decision of the British Government to extend the state of emergency and the maintenance of martial law in the territory;**
7. **CALLS UPON the British Government to take all necessary steps in order to ensure that all Zimbabweans freely participate in the forthcoming electoral process including:**
 - a) **the speedy and unimpeded return of all Zimbabwean exiles and refugees without threats, intimidation and arrests, in conformity with the Lancaster House Agreement,**
 - b) **the release of all political prisoners,**
 - c) **the confinement forthwith of the Rhodesian and auxiliary forces to their bases in conformity with the Lancaster House Agreement,**

- d) the according of equal treatment to all parties to the Agreement,
 - e) the rescinding of all emergency laws and regulations inconsistent with the conduct of free and fair elections,
 - f) the ensuring of the safety and freedom of movement of the leaders of the Patriotic Front and their supporters, and
 - g) the desisting from hostile propaganda against the Patriotic Front and from any bias act that might facilitate the re-entrenchment of a puppet regime in the territory:
- 8. **STRONG CONDEMNS** the continued threats to and the criminal act against the leaders of the Patriotic Front;
 - 9. **CALLS UPON** the British Government to create conditions in Southern Rhodesia which will ensure free and fair elections and avert the threat to international peace and security;
 - 10. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS** the continued presence of South African troops and mercenaries in Southern Rhodesia, in spite of Security Council Resolutions 460 (1979) and 463 (1980) which constitutes a violation of the Lancaster House Agreement and a threat to international peace and security;
 - 11. **CALLS UPON** the British Government to ensure the immediate and complete withdrawal of the South African and all mercenary troops currently in Zimbabwe serving with the so-called Rhodesian Security Forces;
 - 12. **CALLS UPON** all OAU Member States not to accord any recognition to any institution set up in Zimbabwe which is not the direct outcome of a free and fair choice by the people of Zimbabwe;

- 13. CALLS UPON all OAU Member States to grant, as a matter of the utmost urgency, all possible financial and material assistance to the Patriotic Front to enable it to mount an effective election campaign;**
- 14. SOLEMNLY URGES all OAU Member States to use their influence and relations with Great Britain to ensure the establishment of conditions for free and fair elections in Zimbabwe;**
- 15. CALLS UPON the British Government to release any South African political prisoners, including captured freedom fighters in Southern Rhodesia, and to ensure their safe passage to any country of their choice;**
- 16. STRONGLY APPEALS to the international community requesting it to join its efforts to those of the OAU to ensure that the Administering Power respects scrupulously and implements the provisions of the Lancaster House Agreement;**
- 17. REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the United Nations to immediately investigate the reported torture and harassment of Zimbabwean refugees returning to Rhodesia and ensure that immediate corrective measures are taken by the British Administration to put an end to this situation;**
- 18. URGENTLY REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the United Nations further to make strong representations to the British Government with the view of removing administrative and other obstacles to the speedy return of refugees to Zimbabwe in order that the process of repatriation of all Zimbabwean refugees can be completed before the elections;**
- 19. URGENTLY REQUESTS the Administering Authority to accord all necessary facilities to an OAU Observer Team composed of Secretariat Officials with a view to monitoring the election process in Southern Rhodesia;**

- 20. MANDATES the Secretary-General to convene an Extra-ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers within seven days of the results being made public to examine the conduct and results of the election, in order to determine the position of the OAU.**