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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT

RESOLUTION ON ZIMBABWE

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government meeting in its Fourteenth Ordinary Session of Libreville, Gabon, from 2 to 5 July 1977,

<u>Having taken note</u> of the report of the Administrative Secretary-General on the liberation struggle in Zimbabwe;

<u>Recalling</u> the decision taken by the Front Line states on 9 January 1977 in Lusaka to grant the Zimbabwe Patriotic Front political, diplomatic and material assistance;

<u>Considering</u> the recommendation of the Twenty-Eighth Session of the OAU Coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa recognizing the Patriotic Front;

<u>Conscious</u> to the fact that the Twenty-Eighth Session of the Council of Ministers had decided to submit the recommendation of the Twenty-Eighth Session of the Liberation Committee to the Fourteenth Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government;

<u>Having noted</u> that the additional information supplied by the Twenty-Ninth Session of the coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa, gave further weight to the argument advanced by the Council of Ministers;

<u>Expressing appreciation</u> for the clear statement made by the President of the Republic of Zambia, Dr. Kenneth D. KUANDA on behalf of other Front Line States on the political and military development of the Zimbabwe liberation struggle;

- 1. NOTES WITH SATISFACTION the victorious pursuit of the armed struggle in Zimbabwe, being waged by the Zimbabwe army under the Leadership of the Patriotic Front;
- 2. CALLS UPON all sons of Zimbabwe engaged in their country's liberation struggle to fight within the ranks of the Patriotic Front, and urges the Heads of the Front Line States to assist them;

- **3.** URGES all Member States to refrain from supporting individuals, thus running the risk of forming more than one army for the liberation and defence of an independent Zimbabwe;
- 4. DECIDES to adopt the recommendation of the Twenty-Eighth Session of the OAU Coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa on the question of Zimbabwe;
- 5. REQUESTS all Member States to increase their financial, material and political assistance to the people of Zimbabwe to enable it retrieve its rights for self-determination and independence.

RESOLUTION ON THE INTERFERENCE OF THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF AFRICAN STATES

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Fourteenth Ordinary Session held in Libreville, Gabon, from 2 to 5 July 1977,

<u>Recalling</u> the relevant provisions of article III of the OAU charter as well as those of article I of the UN Charter;

Recalling provisions of Resolution CM/Res. 12 (II) and, in particular:

- a) the call by the Summit on all Member states to co-ordinate their foreign policies, especially the non-alignment approach vis-a-vis the existing World Powers as the only acceptable means of safeguarding African freedom, stability and prosperity;
- b) the Summit's acceptance to resort to consultations among Member States to ensure the implementation of this solemn resolution;
- c) The Summit's recommendation to Member States to abrogate as soon as possible, any commitment which would militate against a consistent policy of non-alignment;
- d) The determination of Heads of State and Government to give priority to the realization of African Unity in accordance with the Charter and, the strengthening of Afro-African Solidarity, as well as Resolution 3 of the Conference on the establishment of the OAU held in May 1963 and the Resolution CM/Res. 38 (III) on denuclearisation of Africa.

<u>Considering</u> the grave threat to the independence, Sovereignty, territorial integrity and harmonious development of African states of which the interference in the internal Affairs of States constitutes;

<u>Conscious</u> of the need for a solidarity and unfailing co-operation among all member States of the OAU, so as to preserve their non-alignment approach vis-a-vis the blocs;

<u>Considering</u> that the relevant resolutions of the UN and the OAU including the recent official statements by leaders of the big powers are in line with non-interference in internal affairs of African States;

- 1. RECOMMENDS that Member States exert every effort so that, in respecting the OAU Charter, they may safeguard their identity and remain outside conflicts, especially ideological conflicts, emanating from without the African Continent;
- 2. To this end, URGENTLY CALLS ON all African states so that, without prejudice to their right to conclude defence agreements of their choice intended especially to forestall outside aggressions, they refrain from having recourse to foreign intervention in the settlement of conflicts between African States.
- **3.** CALLS ON all extra-African powers, particularly the big ones, to refrain from interfering in the internal affairs of African States;
- 4. FURTHER CALLS ON Member States to prohibit the use of their territories as base for political subversive activities against another African State as well as the maintenance and the establishment of foreign military bases on their territories, and requests then to liquidate the foreign military bases existing on the African continent;
- 5. RECALLS, in this context, that the interference in the internal affairs of States poses grave threats to international peace and Security since it creates favorable conditions for questioning the personality and the values of which African States repose;
- 6. STRONGLY EMPHASISES that the situation thus created is prejudicial to the stability and development of African States;

7. CALLS ON African States to refrain from harbouring, financing and using nationals of neighbouring countries against their Countries of Origin.