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### STATEMENT AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

## STATEMENT ON SOUTHERN AFRICA BY THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS 23 – 28 FEBRUARY, 1987, ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA

- 1. The general situation in Southern Africa grows more critical with each passing day, making it more and more clear that the Pretoria regime is not prepared for a negotiated settlement to eliminate the apartheid system, thus showing its intransigence against change in that region. Indeed the intransigence of the Pretoria regime, about which Africa has repeatedly been telling the international community has been vindicated by, among others, the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group which strongly recommends immediate imposition of effective economic sanctions to put pressure on South Africa to force the eradication of apartheid.
- 2. Inside South Africa the continued mass uprising and determined struggle by workers, students, youth, women and patriotic clergymen has been gaining momentum. In the face of these concerted struggles, the regime has resorted to increased repression by the imposition of nation-wide state of emergency, arrest and detention of over 22,000 patriots, including over 4,000 children, introduction of strict censorship and the use of the so-called vigilantes to create black on black violence. Since September 1984 the regime has killed over 2,300 men, women and children. In the face of the increasingly intransigent position by the Pretoria regime, the increase of all-round political support and intensification of armed struggle together with the imposition of comprehensive and mandatory sanctions against racist South Africa have become more urgent than ever.
- 3. The worldwide observance of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the ANC constitutes an act of solidarity with the liberation struggle of the people of South Africa and reaffirms justice of their cause.

- 4. Racist South Africa continues to occupy Namibia illegally in defiance of UN resolutions and decisions, in particular Resolution 435/1978. SWAPO and the Namibian people have successfully thwarted all attempts by the racist colonial regime to impose a puppet administration on the people of Namibia. The Pretoria regime is currently preparing yet another bogus constitution with a referendum in view in May or June 1987. Africa rejects this diabolical plan of racist South Africa and urges the international community not to recognize such a force, or give it any measure or respectability.
- 5. The continued use of conscripted black soldiers from the so-called South African bantustans to fight against the combatants of the People's Liberation Army of Namibia (P.L.A.N.) in Namibia and participate in the acts of aggression against Angola, and of deployment of conscripted Namibians in the so-called South West Africa Territory Force in the violence against the black townships of South Africa, is yet another manifestation of the regime's tactics of attempting to weaken the solidarity of the oppressive people of South Africa and Namibia by pitting black against black.
- 6. It must be reiterated that the United Nations council for Namibia remains the only legal administering authority of Namibia until independence is achieved. In this regard, the Member States of the Non-Aligned Movement and United Nations as well as International and Non-Governmental Organizations and Specialized Agencies of the UN are called upon to support activities of the UN Council for Namibia and help strengthen continuing co-operation between the council and SWAPO, the sole authentic and legitimate representative of the people of Namibia.
- 7. UN Resolution 435 remains the only acceptable basis for a peaceful solution of the Namibian question, (armed struggle, mass mobilization and action by the people must be intensified). The UN Security Council should therefore meet forthwith to assume its responsibility fully and to consider the question of Namibia and impose comprehensive and mandatory sanctions on racist South Africa so as to compel the latter to co-operate in the implementation of

- Resolution 435. Meanwhile, armed struggle, mass mobilization and action by the people must be intensified.
- 8. The constant raids, sabotage missions and the infiltration of armed bandits and other criminal elements by the Pretoria regime to destroy life and property in Angola, Mozambique, Zambia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, Lesotho and Swaziland constitute another aspect of the diabolical scheme, to create puppet regimes that would serve to perpetuate apartheid, and foster the business interests of Western and other multinational corporations.
- 9. The continuing acts of subversion by Pretoria to destabilize the independent States in the region and undermine the liberation struggle can be defeated if Africa and all those progressive forces that have always supported the struggle against colonialism, immediately give all-round support to help the Frontline States enhance their defence capabilities. Such assistance by the international community has become imperative and urgent if the people of Namibia and South Africa, through their fighting movements are to bring about the speedy destruction of the apartheid system. The Forty-seventh Ordinary Session of the Co-ordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa called upon the international community to contribute urgently to the fund set up by the Eighth Summit of the Non-Aligned Movement for Southern Africa and the Council of Ministers endorsed that call.
- 10. The continued occupation of parts of Southern Angola by troops of racist South Africa, and the overt military assistance which the Pretoria regime and the Reagan Administration is giving to UNITA bandits is one manifestation of the conspiracy to subvert the legitimate government of Angola.
- 11. The recent 75 kilometre military incursion into Southern Angola from the border of occupied Namibia by racist forces of South Africa, is yet another manifestation of state terrorism and banditry embarked upon by the Pretoria regime against the People's Republic of Angola. This act of aggression or any other such acts must not only be condemned, but must be challenged.

- 12. The continued acts of armed bandits, recruited, financed, trained, equipped, infiltrated and directed by the Pretoria regime against the People's Republic of Mozambique is the mean cause for loss of human lives, the destruction of economic and social infrastructures and the massive outflow of displaced persons from Mozambique.
- 13. It is noted with appreciation that the Secretary-General of the United Nations has appointed a personal representative to Mozambique to monitor the deteriorating famine situation, largely caused by South African sponsored bandits and natural calamities. In this regard, the Forty-fifth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers calls upon the international community to render assistance to the People's Republic of Mozambique.
- 14. The liberation struggle in South Africa and Namibia is a continuation of the decolonization of the African Continent. Any attempt to project it as part of the East-West conflict must be totally rejected by Africa and the international community. It is in this regard that the deliberate attempt by the Reagan Administration to obstruct the enviable eradication of the apartheid system through the bankrupt policy of Constructive Engagement and the linkage of independence of Namibia to the withdrawal of Cuban forces from Angola constitutes hostile acts that must be challenged.
- 15. The turn-about in the attitude of the American Administration and the British Government to engage in talks with the National Liberation Movements of Namibia and South Africa whom they have always called terrorists, is encouraging; but cannot constitute the vehicle for the elimination of apartheid. Dialogue is essential but cannot bring about the downfall of the racist Pretoria regime. What both Governments have the moral duty to do, is to support the imposition of comprehensive and mandatory sanctions.
- 16. In full awareness of the very critical situation in Southern Africa, and also, of the continuing collusion of the Reagan Administration with the Pretoria regime to deliberately obstruct the implementation of UN Security Council

Resolution 435 of 1978, the Council of Ministers categorically asserts as follows, that:

- a) THE SUPPORT EXPRESSED BY SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION FOR THE SO-CALLED NATAL OPTION i.e. "THE NATAL INDABA" IS ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO GLORIFY THE BANTUSTANIZATION OF SOUTH AFRICA. THE NATAL OPTION IS A STEP BACKWARDS, A MANEUVER DESIGNED TO ADVANCE THE IDEA OF "PEACEFUL AND RACIAL CO-EXISTENCE" IN A MULTI-NATIONAL CONTEXT; WHERE SOUTH AFRICA WOULD NOT BECOME A UNITARY STATE WITH ONE DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT, BUT A CONGLOMERATION OF PROVINCIAL ENTITIES THAT WOULD SANCTIFY THE OUTDATED AND UNACCEPTABLE IDEA OF WHITE SUPREMACY AND RACIAL SEPARATENESS, THE SO-CALLED "INDABA" IS THEREFORE CATEGORICALLY REJECTED, BECAUSE IT SEEKS TO DIVIDE SOUTH AFRICA;
- b) THE KIDNAPPING OF INDIVIDUALS IN THE NEIGHBORING
  AND FRONTLINE STATES BY THE AGENTS OF THE
  PRETORIA REGIME IS A SERIOUS VIOLATION OF
  INTERNATIONAL LAW AND OF THE TERRITORIAL
  INTEGRITY OF THE STATES IN THE REGION AND MUST BE
  CONDEMNED;
- c) THE ILLEGAL AND DESPICABLE ACT OF DETAINING
  THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT CHILDREN IN SOUTH AFRICA
  BY THE PRETORIA REGIME, IS HEINOUS. THE COUNCIL OF
  MINISTERS THEREFORE; STRONGLY DEMANDS THE
  IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF ALL THESE CHILDREN;
- d) THE SECURITY COUNCIL MUST RISE UP TO ITS POLITICAL
  AND MORAL RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THE STRICT
  APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE 1977 ARMS

EMBARGO WHICH IS BEING VIOLATED WITH THE COMPLICITY AND DUPLICITY OF SOME WESTERN GOVERNMENTS:

- e) THE OIL EXPORTING AND OIL PRODUCING STATES
  PARTICULARLY THOSE IN THE GULF AREA HAVE THE
  OBLIGATION ALSO, TO ENSURE THAT EMBARGOED OIL
  DOES NOT CONTINUE TO GO TO SOUTH AFRICA; AND
  SHOULD TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES AGAINST ALL
  VIOLATORS OF THE OIL EMBARGO;
- f) THE BLATANT DEFIANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION BY THE PRETORIA REGIME AND OF THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE OAU, THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT; CALLS FOR NOTHING LESS THAN THE INTENSIFICATION OF THE ARMED STRUGGLE IN NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA;
- g) THE PEOPLE'S STRUGGLE IN SOUTH AFRICA IS NOT AN IDEOLOGICAL STRUGGLE. IT IS A STRUGGLE AGAINST AN EVIL SYSTEM WHICH AFRICA HAS A MORAL AND POLITICAL OBLIGATION TO ERADICATE;
- h) THE PERSISTENT LINKING OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF
  NAMIBIA BY THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION AND THE
  RACIST REGIME OF SOUTH AFRICA, TO THE WITHDRAWAL
  OF CUBAN INTERNATIONALIST FORCES FROM THE
  PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA IS MORALLY BANKRUPT
  AND POLITICALLY UNACCEPTABLE;
- i) THE SOVEREIGNTY; TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AND THE POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA IS NOT A POLITICAL ISSUE FOR NEGOTIATIONS OF ANY KIND. THE LINKAGE ISSUE LIKE THE CONCEPT OF

- NEGOTIATION WITH THE BANDITS IN ANGOLA IS THEREFORE ONCE AGAIN, CATEGORICALLY REJECTED;
- j) THE INTERNATIONAL SANCTIONS CAMPAIGN AGAINST
  SOUTH AFRICA MUST BE SUSTAINED WITH A VIEW TO
  OBTAINING THE IMPOSITION OF COMPREHENSIVE AND
  MANDATORY SANCTIONS, UNDER CHAPTER VII OF THE
  CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS. THE GOVERNMENTS
  OF THE USA, UK AND FRG ARE CALLED UPON TO
  RECONSIDER THEIR POSITION AND JOIN THE REST OF THE
  INTERNATIONAL COMMITY IN THE APPLICATION OF
  EFFECTIVE, COMPREHENSIVE AND MANDATORY
  SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA;
- k) THE NEGATIVE VOTE RECENTLY CAST BY THE UNITED STATES, THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE FRG TO FRUSTRATE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY'S EFFORTS TOWARDS THE IMPOSITION OF SELECTIVE MANDATORY SANCTIONS MUST BE CONDEMNED AS A HOSTILE ACT OF AFRICAN ASPIRATIONS;
- I) THE PEOPLES OF THESE COUNTRIES ARE INVITED TO INTENSIFY PRESSURE ON THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS TO CONFORM WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CONSENSUS IN FAVOR OF SANCTIONS AGAINST RACIST SOUTH AFRICA;
- m) THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION'S VETO WHICH CONTRADICTS THE SPIRIT OF ITS OWN LEGISLATION ON SANCTIONS IS VIEWED WITH GREAT CONCERN. IN THIS REGARD, COUNCIL APPEALS TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND LAWMAKERS OPPOSED TO APARTHEID TO EMBARK ON A NEW CAMPAIGN FOR COMPREHENSIVE AND MANDATORY SANCTIONS.

#### RESOLUTION ON THE PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1987/88

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

Having considered the Financial Report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance for the 1985/86 Financial Year as contained in Document CM/1409 (XLV) Rev. 2, the Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative Budgetary and Financial Matters (Document CM/1407 (XLV)); the Annual Report of Budget Control Division for 1985/86 Financial Year (CM/1409 (XLV) Annexes I to X); the Report of the Board of External Auditors on the Accounts and Financial Management of the OAU for the 1985/86 Financial Year and the comments of the General Secretariat and Regional Offices (Document CM/1408 (XLV) of Contributions due to the Regular Budget of the OAU as at 20 February, 1987 (Document CM/1411 (XLV) Rev. 1); the Draft Programme and Budget for the Financial Year 1987/88 (Document CM/1408 (XLV), Vol. 1/Ref. 1 and CM/1408 (XLV) Vol. II Rev. 1),

<u>Having further considered</u> in detail the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial Matters contained in Document CM/1407 (XLV) Rev. 1,

<u>Having examined</u> the Draft Programme and Budget of the General Secretariat for the financial year 1987/88 (Document CM/1408 (XLV) Rev. 1 Vols. I and II),

Desirous of ensuring sound financial management in the Organization,

<u>Aware</u> of the difficult economic and financial conditions prevailing in all OAU Member States,

<u>Deeply concerned</u> about the ever-increasing arrears of contributions due to the Organization's operating budgets and the need for urgent steps to be taken to resolve

this very important problem which, if not resolved, could paralyze the activities of the OAU General Secretariat:

- CONGRATULATES the OAU Current Chairman on the positive initiatives he
  had continuously taken to encourage Member States to pay their arrears and
  their contributions to the current budget;
- COMMENDS Member States which have fully paid up their assessed contributions and APPEALS to all Member States which have not yet done so to pay their contributions;
- TAKES NOTE of the work done by the Board of External Auditors and the Advisory Committee in appraising and monitoring the financial and management activities of the General Secretariat;
- 4. ENCOURAGES the Secretary-General to continue the efforts he has embarked on to promote greater efficiency in the management of the Organization's financial, material and human resources;
- 5. APPROVES the 1987/88 programme and ADOPTS the Budget of US\$23,211,575.00 for the operations of the Organization for the financial year;
- 6. AUTHORIZES the Secretary-General to implement the budget and, in consultation with the Advisory Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial Matters, to resolve all administrative and financial issues contained in the Committee's Report and recommendations within the ceiling of the approved budgetary expenditure stated in paragraph 5 above in accordance with the Financial Rules and Regulations;
- 7. REQUESTS the Advisory Committee to submit on an annual basis, a report on Administrative Matters.

### RESOLUTION ON THE OAU SCALE OF ASSESSMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY MEMBER STATES

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Having considered</u> the report of the Committee on the Review of the Scale of Assessment, contained in Document CM/1413 (XLV),

<u>Taking note</u> of the report of the Advisory Committee on the question of Scale of Assessment,

Recalling Article XXIII of the OAU Charter,

<u>Recalling further</u> its decision contained in CM/Res.1066 (XLIV) to transform the former Ad Hoc Committee into a permanent committee,

<u>Convinced</u> that the expansion of the present membership of the Committee will assist the Committee in its task,

<u>Aware</u> of the urgent need for a Scale of Assessment acceptable to all Member States to be drawn up:

- 1. TAKES NOTE of the report of the Committee on the Scale of Assessment;
- DECIDES that the membership of the Committee be increased from 6 to 14 on the basis of regional representation to be composed as follows: Algeria, Angola, Cape Verde, Ethiopia, Guinea, Kenya, Lesotho, Libya, Malawi, Nigeria, Rwanda, Seychelles, Tunisia and Zaire;
- 3. URGES the Committee on Scale of Assessment to proceed with its work and to report to the Forty seventh Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers one

recommended Scale of Assessment for the consideration and adoption by Member States;

- 4. APPEALS, once again to the Member States which have not yet done so, to furnish the General Secretariat, by the end of June 1987, with their economic statistical data so that the Committee is enabled to work out a realistic Scale of Assessment generally acceptable to the Member States of the Organization;
- DECIDES that until a new Scale of Assessment is adopted, the Scale of Assessment adopted in 1981 without Morocco's contribution will be applied.

#### RESOLUTION ON OAU STRUCTURAL REFORM

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-fifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Recalling</u> its decision taken during the Forty-first Ordinary Session held in Addis Ababa in February, 1984, to establish an <u>Ad-Hoc</u> Committee to review the Conditions of Service of all staff members of the Organization and other circumstances affecting the performance of the General Secretariat,

<u>Bearing in mind</u> the provisions of the OAU Charter which empowers the Council to amend the Functions and Regulations governing the conduct of the General Secretariat,

<u>Noting</u> that the Committee has presented recommendations on parts of its terms of reference,

<u>Aware of the fact</u> that the question of Structural Reform of the OAU should be examined globally so as to determine all the financial implications:

TAKES NOTE of the work done so far by the Committee and urges the Committee to complete its assigned work and submit its final report to the Forty-seventh Ordinary Session of the Council having cleared financial implications with the Advisory Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial Matters.

### RESOLUTION ON THE CELEBRATION OF THE $25^{\text{TH}}$ ANNIVERSARY OF THE OAU

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Having considered</u> the brief of the Secretary-General on the celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the OAU contained in Document CM/1423 (XLV),

<u>Considering</u> that after a quarter century of the existence of the OAU, the time has come to make a reckoning of past actions and map out future prospects of the OAU,

<u>Anxious</u> to adorn the occasion in a befitting manner at the Headquarters, Regional Offices and in Member States,

<u>Considering</u> the measures taken during the preparation of the Tenth Anniversary of the OAU:

- 1. ADOPTS the framework proposal by the Secretary-General in his brief;
- 2. DECIDES that the theme on which the celebration activities will centre will be "Unity, Solidarity, Liberation and Development";
- 3. DECIDES to maintain the Programme Committee set up for the Tenth Anniversary celebration and to include two countries from the Southern Region so that the full Committee will comprise the following Member States: Cameroon, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Senegal, Botswana, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Zambia and Mozambique;
- 4. REQUESTS the Committee to take all necessary measures to sensitize African and International public opinion on the need to promote the ideals of Pan-Africanism as an indispensable dimension of peace and development;

- 5. REQUESTS the General Secretariat to co-operate closely with the Programme Committee to ensure the success of its task;
- 6. EXHORTS all Member States and Liberation Movements to co-operate in implementing the programmes prepared by the Committee set up to this affect;
- 7. DIRECTS the Secretariat to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a world-wide event by ensuring the participation of non-governmental organizations;
- 8. INVITES all Member States and Liberation Movements to take the necessary measures to celebrate the event with glamour.

### RESOLUTION ON THE REPORT OF THE SIXTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE PERMANENT STEERING COMMITTEE

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Having considered</u> the report of the Sixth Ordinary Session of the Permanent Steering Committee (Doc. CM/1415 (XLV)) held in Brazzaville, People's Republic of the Congo, from 8 – 12 December, 1986,

Reaffirming its commitment to the implementation of APPER and the UNPA,

<u>Having further considered</u> the preparatory arrangements relating to major international negotiations and conferences,

Emphasizing the need for all Member States and African Organizations to participate effectively in these negotiations and conferences in order to fully safeguard Africa's interest, and for the provision of technical and logistic support by the Secretariats of OAU, ECA, ADB, ACMS, etc. during the preparation of such negotiations and conferences,

<u>Having considered</u> the measures taken by the Secretary-General of UN in the implementation of the decisions of the Extra-ordinary Session of the General Assembly of the UN on the Critical Situation of Africa:

- ENDORSES the report and recommendations of the Sixth Ordinary meeting of the Permanent Steering Committee (Doc. CM/1415 (XLV) and COMMENDS the quality of the report submitted;
- CALLS ON all Member States to implement the recommendations of the Committee, especially in relation to the implementation of APPER, the UN Programme of Action, international negotiations and conferences, and to

report to the Secretary-General of the OAU on the measures taken to this effect before the meeting of the Forty-sixth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers;

- 3. FURTHER CALLS ON all Member States to intensify international campaign for global and mandatory sanctions against the racist regime of South Africa and to report on the implementation of such recommendations to the Forty-sixth Session of the Council of Ministers;
- 4. REAFFIRMS the principle of convening an international conference on Africa's External Debt and the priority attached to the effective solution of Africa's external debt problem, and REQUESTS the Secretariats of OAU, ECA, ADB and ACMS to accelerate the technical studies and preparatory activities relating to this issue;
- 5. EXPRESSES SATISFACTION with the intention of the UN Secretary-General to take initiatives to resolve the African debt issue and CALLS ON the Secretary-General of the OAU and the UN Secretary-General to consult on the possibility of integrating these initiatives with those of the Inter-Secretariat Committee on Africa's external indebtedness composed of OAU, ECA, ADB and ACMS Secretariats and to co-ordinate their programmes taking into account the meeting schedules of the international monetary institutions;
- 6. EXPRESSES its appreciation to the Secretary-General of the UN for the measures taken in the framework of the UN Steering Committee, for the follow up of the UN Session on the Critical Economic Situation in Africa;
- 7. PAYS A GLOWING TRIBUTE to H.E. Colonel Dennis Sessou Nguesso, president of the People's Republic of the Congo, his government and people for hosting the Sixth Meeting of the Permanent Steering Committee in Brazzaville;

8. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to continue to ensure the follow-up and implementation of the recommendations of the Permanent Steering Committee and to submit periodic reports thereon to the Council.

### RESOLUTION ON THE SPECIAL EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FUND FOR DROUGHT AND FAMINE IN AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Having considered</u> the Report of the Secretary-General on the Special Emergency Assistance Fund for Drought and Famine in Africa (Doc. CM/1422 (XLV)),

Recalling resolutions AHG/Res.133 (XX), CM/Res.962 (XLI) and CM/Res.1006 (XLII) on the operational modalities of the Fund,

<u>Desirous</u> of intensifying the campaign for the mobilization of resources for the Fund to enable it to attain its fundamental objectives:

- 1. TAKES NOTE of the Report of the Secretary-General;
- APPEALS, once again, to all Member States to pay voluntary contributions to the Fund if they have not yet done so and to those who have made pledges to honor their pledges;
- CONGRATULATES the OAU Secretary-General for the many important activities undertaken during the period under review to sensitize African and International public opinion about the Fund and URGES him to pursue these efforts;
- 4. CALLS UPON Member States to participate in the campaign for the mobilization of financial resources for the Fund;
- EXPRESSES its GRATITUDE to the Non-African countries and those Member States which have made generous contributions to the African countries affected by drought and famine;

- 6. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to follow up on the activities undertaken in collaboration with recipient Member States in connection with the utilization of grants already awarded to those States, and regularly report to the Policy Committee of the Fund, in accordance with the criteria and conditions for the granting of subventions and/or loans;
- 7. EXPRESSES THANKS to the African Development Bank for the laudable efforts if has made in administering and managing the Fund and, in particular, for the facilities made available for the rapid disbursement of funds to recipient Member States.

### RESOLUTION ON THE REINFORCEMENT OF THE PARTICIPATING CAPACITY OF THE OAU SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Having considered</u> the Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the OAU Specialized Agencies (Doc. CM/1406 (XLV) Part IV,

Noting with appreciation the efforts made by the Secretary-General and the Specialized Agencies of the OAU to implement the provisions of the Charter of the Organization, the Lagos Plan of Action and the Final Act of Lagos as well as subsequent declarations adopted by the Heads of State and Government on the economic development of Africa,

<u>Considering</u> the co-operation agreements concluded between the OAU and funding Institutions.

<u>Considering</u> the need to promote, if necessary, similar agreements between OAU Specialized Agencies and these institutions,

#### 1. URGES Member States:

- to meet their financial obligations to the Specialized Agencies in order to enable them to carry out the functions and responsibilities entrusted to them in their respective fields of competence;
- to provide all political and logistical support to the Specialized Agencies.

#### 2. REQUESTS the Secretary-General

- a) to assist the OAU Specialized agencies in their respective areas of competence to reinforce their capacities to contribute towards the promotion of co-operation between Member States and towards their economic recovery as well as to strengthen the co-operation between these agencies and the General Secretariat.
- b) to encourage within these agencies the setting up of mechanisms aimed at meeting the requirements of Member States for experts in the execution of tasks required in the implementation of national and regional projects.
- c) to assist and support the OAU specialized agencies in their negotiations with funding agencies to make OAU Specialized agencies, as a matter of priority, executing agencies with a view to using Africa expertise.
- d) to make periodic report to the Council on the implementation and follow-up of this resolution.
- 3. FURTHER CALLS all OAU Specialized Agencies to continue reporting on their activities to the Council through the Secretary-General of the OAU.

#### RESOLUTION ON AFRO-ARAB CO-OPERATION

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-fifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Having considered</u> the report of the OAU Secretary-General on Afro-Arab Cooperation (Doc. CM/1421 (XLV),

<u>Bearing in mind</u> the Declaration and Programme of Action of the First Afro-Arab Summit held in Cairo, Egypt, in March 1977,

<u>Reaffirming</u> its commitment to uphold the principles and objectives of Afro-Arab Cooperation:

- 1. TAKES NOTE of the Report of the OAU Secretary-General on Afro-Arab Co-operation;
- 2. COMMENDS the efforts of the Secretaries-General of the OAU and the League of Arab States in strengthening the Afro-Arab Co-operation and URGES them to pursue these efforts with a view to convening in the near future, the First Session of the Joint Afro-Arab Conference of Ministers;
- ACCEPTS the recommendations of the <u>Ad-Hoc</u> Committee responsible for the preparations of the Afro-Arab Conference of Ministers, particularly the draft agenda on the conference and holding of the Ninth Session of the Standing Commission for Afro-Arab Co-operation in Quangadeugou, Burkina Faso, in April 1987;
- 4. CONGRATULATES the Government of Burkina Faso and the Secretaries-General of the OAU and the League of Arab States for the measures taken to ensure the holding of the Ninth Session of the Standing Commission for Afro-Arab Co-operation under the best conditions and; INVITES all member States

of the OAU Committee of 12 to co-operate fully to ensure the success of this session;

5. THANKS the Government of the Republic of Sudan for its kind invitation to host the First Session of the Joint Afro-Arab Conference of Ministers in Khartoum at a date to be decided later on after consultations with all the parties concerned.

# RESOLUTION ON THE NEGATIVE VOTES CAST ON SECURITY COUNCIL DRAFT RESOLUTION S18705 OF 19 FEBRUARY, 1987 RELATING TO SELECTIVE MANDATORY SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Noting with indignation</u> that the Governments of the United States of America, the United Kingdom and the Federal Republic of Germany have once again frustrated the efforts of the international community by voting against Security Council Draft Resolution S18705 of 19 February, 1987,

<u>Mindful</u> that the negative votes cast against draft Security Council Resolution S18705 is a further manifestation of collusion with apartheid, and of contempt for Africa's call for sanctions against South Africa,

<u>Reaffirming</u> that apartheid is a crime against humanity and that it constitutes a threat to international peace and security,

<u>Reaffirming further</u> that the intensified brutal repression and carnage carried out against the defenceless people of South Africa by the racist regime has aroused the indignation of the international community opposed to the criminal system of apartheid,

<u>Recalling</u> the conclusions of the Paris World Conference on Sanctions against South Africa,

<u>Further recalling</u> the conclusions of the Eighth Session of the Heads of State and Government of the Non-Aligned Movement,

<u>Cognizant</u> of the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group's recommendation for the imposition of sanctions:

- STRONGLY CONDEMNS the Governments of the United States of America, the United Kingdom and the Federal Republic of Germany for their negative votes cast on Security Council Draft Resolution S18705 of 19 February, 1987 relating to selective mandatory sanctions against South Africa as well as their persistent negative votes in the Security Council of the United Nations on resolutions calling for comprehensive and mandatory sanctions against the racist regime of South Africa under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations;
- DECLARES that the negative votes of the Governments of the United States
  of America, the United Kingdom and the Federal Republic of Germany
  constitute a hostile act against the member States of the Organization of
  African Unity;
- CALLS UPON the international community, especially the peoples of the United States, United Kingdom, France, Federal Republic of Germany and Japan to further intensify the campaign for comprehensive and mandatory sanctions against South Africa;
- 4. COMMENDS the non-African members of the Security Council who voted for resolution S18705 of February, 1987;
- 5. NOTES WITH APPRECIATION the voluntary sanction measures taken by some States in the international community against South Africa;
- 6. CALLS for the immediate eradication of apartheid system through increased international support for comprehensive and mandatory sanctions and disinvestment, as well as the intensification of the armed struggle.

Reservation: Cote d'Ivoire, Egypt and Tunisia.

#### RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION OF REFUGEES IN AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-fifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Having exhaustively considered</u> the report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the General Secretariat with regard to the refugee situation in Africa, and the report of the activities of the OAU Commission of Fifteen on Refugees,

<u>Considering</u> that refugee increases continue to occur in various parts of the Continent and to place extra burden on counties of asylum, especially the Frontline States and other States bordering racist South Africa,

<u>Noting further with deep concern</u> the destruction caused to the social and economic infrastructure of the Frontline States and other States in the region by the activities of these armed bandits and by the military attacks of the racist regime's security forces,

Recalling the various OAU Resolutions and, in particular, Resolution CM/Res.987 (XLII) on the accession to the 1951 UN Convention on Refugees and its 1967 Protocol, the 1969 OAU Convention governing the specific aspects of the refugee problem in Africa as well as the principles enshrined in the African Charter on Human and People's Rights,

Noting with satisfaction the coming into force in October 1986 of the African Charter on Human and People's Rights,

Recalling Article I of the OAU Convention of 1969 governing the specific aspects of refugee problems in Africa as well as recommendation No. 2 of the 1979 Arusha Conference concerning the definition of the term refugee and determination of refugee status and Resolution CM/Res.727(XXXIII) on Arusha Refugee Conference,

Recalling Article II (6) of the OAU Convention of 1969 governing the specific aspects of refugee problems in Africa which stipulates that for the reasons of security, countries of asylum shall, as far as possible, settle refugees at a reasonable distance from the frontiers of their country of origin,

Recalling further Article III of the 1969 OAU Convention governing the specific aspects of refugee problems in Africa and Resolution AHG/Res. 26 (II) on the commitments of Member States to a humanitarian policy in favour of refugees and in particular on the need to prohibit refugees residing in the respective Member States from engaging in any political and military activity likely to endanger the good relations between the host country and the country of origin, without prejudice of the rights of people under colonial and apartheid domination,

<u>Re-affirming</u> once more Article V of the 1969 OAU Convention governing the specific aspects of the refugee problems in Africa and the various OAU Resolutions calling on all Member States to encourage voluntary repatriation as the most desirable solution to refugee problems,

Recalling Resolution CM/Res.1040 (XLIV) on the need to gather reliable and accurate statistical data on refugee and returnee populations and the need for Member States to integrate the formulation and implementation of refugees/returnees programmes into the national, medium and long term development plans, in order to ensure a harmonious integration, mutual benefits and social integration among nationals and refugees,

<u>Noting</u> the danger posed to the security of the refugees, workers in refugee camps and nationals of asylum countries by military and other hostile acts in and outside refugee camps and surrounding areas,

Noting with concern that some Member States, despite several OAU resolutions, continue to charge "Economic" fees to refugees in their educational institutions and recognizing the need for the OAU Commission of 15 on Refugees to take up the question of economic fees, the provision of resettlement and educational facilities for

refugees within Member States during the Commission's field fact-finding missions in 1987,

Noting further with appreciation the commendable activities of the international Community, especially, the offices of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and voluntary agencies in favor of refugees:

- TAKES note of the Report of the Secretary-General on the Activities of the General Secretariat on the Situation of Refugees in Africa;
- 2. ADOPTS the Report on the Activities of the OAU Commission of Fifteen on Refugees;
- COMMENDS Member States who continue to receive and cater for the needs of refugees;
- 4. EXPRESSES solidarity with the Member States of the OAU bordering racist South Africa and further expresses Africa's appreciation for the sacrifices these States continue to make in order to provide sanctuary and security to refugees fleeing from the banditry activities of the South African regime and its actions;
- CALLS once again on OAU Member States to extend urgent and increased
  material and financial support to the Frontline States and other States
  bordering racist South Africa to enable them to cater adequately for the needs
  of the refugees;
- URGES Member States to seriously consider providing transit and resettlement facilities to the refugees from Southern Africa whose security is threatened;
- COMMENDS Member States which have ratified the 1951 UN Convention and its 1967 protocol, in 1969 OAU Convention on Refugees and, especially, the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights and urges those Member

States that have not done so to ratify these legal instruments pertaining to the refugee situation as soon as possible;

- 8. INVITES Member States which do not have a large number of refugees, to assist other countries over-burdened by the presence of refugees to establish the necessary infrastructures for the settlement, placement and education of those refugees on the basis of the principles of solidarity and burden-sharing;
- INVITES Member States to adhere to the established procedure for determining refugee status in line with both the 1981 UN Convention on Refugees and the 1969 OAU Convention governing the specific aspects of the refugee problem in Africa;
- 10. INVITES Member States to provide sites for refugee settlement at reasonable distance from the frontiers of the refugees' country of origin;
- 11. CALLS on Member States to enforce the civilian character of refugee camps;
- 12. APPEALS to Member States to strive to promote conditions amenable for voluntary repatriation of refugees, as soon as the factors that provoked asylum-seeking disappear;
- 13. URGES Member States hosting refugees to allow non-political, independent, neutral and humanitarian organizations especially the UNHCR to have free access to refugee camps in the respect of the relevant international conventions and national legislations of host countries to enable them to assist governments in verifying numbers, status and actual needs of persons claiming refugee status;
- 14. CALLS on Member States to provide the necessary protection and security to refugees and refugee workers against all acts of aggression from whatever quarter in and out of refugee camps;

- 15. INVITES Member States in co-operation with OAU Secretariat, UNHCR, UNDP and other competent humanitarian, organizations to take the necessary measures to incorporate into national plans, refugee programmes and take measures to facilitate the integration of returnees in the national society;
- 16. URGES once again, those Member States that continue to charge "economic" fees to refugees in their educational institutions to take urgent and necessary measures to facilitate the integration of returnees in the national society;
- 17. CALLS on the OAU Commission of Fifteen on Refugees to take up all issues relating to burden-sharing, especially the provision of re-settlement/placement and educational facilities to refugees, with concerned Member States during the Commission's forthcoming on-the-spot fact-finding missions and report the results of these consultations to the Forty-sixth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers in July 1987;
- 18. CALLS on the international community especially the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to maximize its assistance in favor of refugees;
- 19. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to pursue the contacts already established with SADCC Member Countries with a view to organizing the International Conference on the Situation of Refugees in Southern Africa, to be attended by all African States and International Organization such as the UNHCR, UNDP and others.

#### RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February 1987,

<u>Having considered</u> the report of the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity on the Middle East as contained in Document CM/1419 (XLV),

<u>Guided</u> by the principle and purposes of the Charters of the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations and by the common determination of the African and Arab peoples to fight jointly to safeguard their freedom,

<u>Recalling</u> the successive resolutions adopted by previous sessions of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government, and the Council of Ministers of the OAU on the situations in the Middle East,

<u>Recalling further</u> the numerous recommendations and resolutions adopted by the various Conferences of the Non-Aligned Movement on the situation in the Middle East,

Noting with deep concern that in spite of the many resolutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly, the Security Council and the Organization of African Unity urging Israel to withdraw from Arab territories occupied since 1967, including Jerusalem, not only has Israel persistently refused to comply with these resolutions but continues to pursue its expansionist and occupation policy,

<u>Deploring</u> the systematic obstruction by Israel of all efforts made towards reaching a peaceful solution to the Palestinian problem,

<u>Fully conscious</u> of the fact that the support given to Israel by some powers, the United States of America in particular, enables it to pursue its acts of aggression and

encourages it to perpetrate acts of terrorism and illegal occupation of part of the territories in the region,

Noting with concern that the alliance between the Zionist regime of Israel and the apartheid regime of South Africa is aimed at pursuing the Policy of terrorism and liquidation of the Palestinians and Arabs in the occupied territories on the one hand and of the majority black population of South Africa and Namibia on the other:

- REAFFIRMS all previous resolutions adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers of the OAU and its total and effective support of the Palestinian people under the dynamic leadership of its sole and legitimate representative, the Palestine Liberation Organization;
- FURTHER REAFFIRMS ITS TOTAL SUPPORT for the Arab countries, victims of Israeli aggression, and its support for the Palestinian people in their just struggle to recover their usurped rights and their occupied territories;
- CONDEMNS VIGOROUSLY the establishment of settlements by Israel in Palestine and in the other occupied territories and Judisation of the city of Jerusalem and its proclamation as its capital;
- STRONGLY COMMENDS the courageous efforts of the Lebanese people in confronting the Zionist Israeli aggression and VEHEMENTLY CONDEMNS THE AGGRESSIONS PERPETRATED AGAINST Lebanon and the Palestinian camps;
- RECOMMENDS that Member States renew their firm determination not to establish or re-establish diplomatic ties with Israel, a natural and unconditional accomplice of racist South Africa;
- STRONGLY CONDEMNS all agreements concluded seperately and all
  commitments made individually which constitute a flagrant violation of the
  rights of the Palestinian people to return to their homelands;

- 7. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS** the establishment of the nuclear-missiles, by Israel in the Golan Heights and the Negev Desert which not only represents a direct threat to the Arab region but also to peace and security in the African continent;
- 8. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS** Israel, the occupying force, for not complying with the provisions of the Fourth Geneva Convention of 12 August, 1949, on the protection of civilians in times of war;
- 9. URGES Israel to put an immediate and to illegal occupation of Southern Lebanon and CONSIDERS null and void any measures take by Israel in the occupied Arab territories aimed at exploiting their resources and REQUESTS all States, International Organizations and Investment Agencies not to recognize Israel's authority over these territories and not co cooperate with it in any form whatsoever, it is exploitation of these resources and sources of energy;
- 10. MAKES AN URGENT APPEAL to the International Community to exert an effective pressure on Israel in all fields so as to force it to comply with the decision of the International Community;
- 11. **REITERATES ITS REQUEST** to the Security Council to take the necessary measures to compile Israel to end its occupation of the Arab and Palestinian territories and to help the Palestinian people to exercise their national rights in accordance with the recommendations adopted by the UN Special Committee on the exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian people;
- 12. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to monitor the developments in the Middle East Question and to report to the next Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity.

#### FOOTNOTE:

Cote d'Ivoire entered reservation of this; Resolution Cameroon Reservations on Par 4. 5 and 6; Zaire Reservations on par 5.

#### RESOLUTION ON THE PALESTINIAN QUESTION

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-Fifth Ordinary Session is Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Having examined</u> the Report of the Secretary-General on the Question of Palestinian contained in Document C/1419 (XLV);

**Recalling** the resolutions adopted by the previous Sessions of the Council of Ministers and the Assembly of Heads of State and Government on the problem of the Middle East and the Palestinian Question,

<u>Guided by the principles</u> and purposes of the Charter of the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations Organization and by the common struggle against Zionism and Racism, and for freedom, independence and peace,

**Recalling** that the Palestinian Question constitutes the core of the Middle East conflict, and the PLO is the only legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

**Reiterating** the relevant decisions of the OAU making the Palestinian Question an Arab and African issue,

<u>Conscious</u> of the seriousness of the present situation resulting from the continued occupation of the Palestinian and Arab territories by Israel, its refusal to respect the resolutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council of the United Nations, its firm determination to establish settlements in the occupied Arab territories, especially in Jerusalem thus altering the geographical, demographic, cultural and social characteristics of Palestine,

<u>Deeply concerned</u> about the serious intensification of Israeli activists in the occupied Palestinian and Arab territories, whether through the continued establishment of new settlements, or by increasing his oppressive measures against the Arab citizens, threatening their livelihood and security, and its flagrant desecrating of holy places and continued pressures on Arab educational and academic institutions, universities in the occupied territories.

**Reaffirming** that a just and lasting peace can only be achieved when the people of Palestine exercise their inalienable rights, particularly their right to return to their homeland, the recovery of national sovereignty, their right to self-determination of their right to establish an independent state on their territory.

**Reaffirming** the legitimacy of the struggle to the Palestinian people, under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization, for the recovery of their territories and the full exercise of their national rights,

<u>Considering</u> the recommendations by the UN Special Committee on the exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, and <u>noting with grave</u> <u>concern</u> that the alliance between the Zionist regime of Israel and the racist regime of South African aims at intensifying acts of terrorism and genocide against the peoples of Palestine and South Africa;

1. **REAFFIRMS** all previous resolutions on the Palestinian Question and reiterates its unwavering support for the people of Palestine led by the PLO, the sole legitimate representative and **REAFFIRMS** the right of the people of Palestine to continue their struggle in all political and military forms as well as the use of all means to liberate their occupied territory and to cover their inalienable national rights, particularly, their right to self-determination and to establish as their territory;

### 2. CONDEMNS

- a. All manoeuvre and formula aimed as preventing the people of Palestine from exercising their right to self-determination, to achieve their national aspirations to return to their homeland and exercise their freedom and complete sovereignty.
- b. Any initiatives, measures or agreements which do not take into account the aspirations of the people of Palestine and to their sole legitimate representative, the Palestine Liberation (PLO), CONSIDERS null and void any agreement on the Palestinian Question which excludes the Palestine Liberation Organization;

- c. The expansionist policies pursued by Israel and aimed at imposing a fait accompli in the occupied terrorists and **FURTHER CONDEMNS** the Israeli policy of expansionism, establishment of settlements, expropriation of lands and the forced emigration of the indigenous population as well as the massive or individual extermination of people all aimed at modifying the demographical characteristics of the territory;
- d. Israel's policy of expelling the leaders of the People of Palestine and intellectuals as well as other Arab peoples, especially the Lebanon people;
- e. Israel's expansionist, colonialist, racist and terrorist actions against the Palestinian and the Lebanese peoples;
- f. The collusion between the Zionists regime of Israel and the racist regimen of South Africa;
- 3. **CALLS UPON** all Member States to intensify their efforts to face the danger and to strengthen the struggle against Zionism, Apartheid and Imperialism and to this and further **CALLS UPON** the Member States of the Organization of African Unity the League of Arab States to place on the Agenda of all their Sessions, the following item: "Collusion between South Africa and Israel";

- 4. **CALLS UPON** the International Community to exercise increased pressure on Israel it all fields so as to compel it to conform to the Charter of the United Nations and the resolution adopted on the Palestinian Question, **EMPHASIZES** the efforts deployed by the United Nations Committee on the Exercise of the inalienable Rights of the people of Palestine and **CALLS UPON** the Security Council to implement the recommendation of this Committee adopted by the General Assembly;
- 5. **CALLS UPON** the Security Council to take effective measures to guarantee the exercise of the people of Palestine of their national and imprescriptibly rights recognized by the United Nations General Assembly and **CONSIDERS** that Security Council Resolution 242 of 22 November 1967 does not guarantee the future of the Palestine people and their imprescriptibly rights nor does it provide a basis for a just solution to the Palestinian Question;
- 6. **FIRMLY SUPPORTS** the Arab Peace Plan adopted at the Twelfth Arab Summit held in Fez on 9 December 1982 as an important contribution to the search for a just, comprehensive and lasting settlement of the Middle East conflict, and **CALLS** for the implementation of the General Assembly Resolution 39/49 of 11 December 1984, on the holding of an international Peace Conference on the Middle East and **CALLS UPON** all the Member States to ensure the implementation of the aforesaid resolution;
- 7. **COMMENDS** the United Nations Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People for its efforts aimed at resorting the inalienable rights of the people of Palestine;

8. **REQUESTS** the OAU Secretary-General to monitor the developments in the Palestinian Question and to report to the next Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity.

# RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION OF THE PALESTINIAN CAMPS IN LEBANON

The Forty-Fifth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Inspired by</u> the principles of the OAU Charters,

**Reaffirming** its consistent support for the struggle of the Palestinian people to assist them in restoring their national inalienable rights,

**Expressing** its deep concern over the tragic events directed against the Palestinian camps with the aim of destroying and elimination them dispersing their inhabitants by force in implementation of the plan of implanting them in a "substitute country" in accordance with the ................... against the Palestinian people and their just cause, as well as the Palestine Liberation Organization, the sole and authentic representative of the Palestinian people;

**Expressing** its strong indignation at the continuation of the siege imposed upon the Palestinian camps, the continuous bombardment of these camps by different kinds of armaments, the killing and injuring of thousands of its inhabitants including children, women or elders, and denying them access to medication and basic food supplies, water and electricity, in addition to the acts of kidnapping, detaining and killing at a time when the Israeli forces are continuously raiding these camps, bombarding them from sea, land and air, in a continuous horrible massacre, in implementation of a preconceived plan being concerted for many years without regard to international conscience,

<u>Inspired</u> by the resolution of the UN concerning the protection of Palestinian refugees in the host Arab countries, ad the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the Geneva Convention of 1949,

 STRONGLY CONDEMNS the siege of the Palestinian camps in Lebanon and the inhuman massacres committed against its innocent civilian population;

#### 2. **DEMANDS**:

- An immediate ceasefire and the cessation of all acts of aggression against the Palestinian Camps;
- b. The total lifting of the siege imposed upon the Palestinian camps, and ensuring access to medical aid and basic food supplies for their inhabitants;
- c. The return of all the displaced and kidnapped Palestinians to the camps and the reconstruction of these camps;
- APPEALS to the United Nations to adopt all necessary measures for the protection of the Palestinian camps taking due account of the sovereignty of Lebanon;
- 4. **REQUESTS** the Chairman of the Council and the Secretary-General of the OAU to deploy every effort, in cooperation with other international organizations ad institutions particularly, the Arab League, to ensure the implementation of this resolution;

5. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General of the OAU to present a Report on the implementation of this resolution on the Forty-Sixth Ordinary Session of the OAU Council of Ministers.

### RESOLUTION ON THE CANDIDATURE OF MR MOHAMED BEDJAOUI TO THE POST OF JUDGE IN THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-Fifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Considering</u> the importance of the International Court of Justice as a supreme judicial body for the promotion of international law and egalitarian and peaceful relations among nations,

<u>Having considered</u> the recommendations of the Ministerial Committee on Candidatures on international candidatures,

<u>Considering</u> the contributions made by Judge Mohamed Bedjaoui on the codification of the International Law:

- 1. **TAKES NOTE WITH SATISFACTION** of the decision of the <u>Ad</u>
  <u>Hoc</u> Algerian National Group to present the candidature of Mr
  Mohamed Bedjaoui to the post of Judge at the International Court of
  Justice during the Forty-Second Ordinary Session of the United
  Nations General Assembly;
- 2. **ENDORSES** the recommendation of the Ministerial Committee on Candidatures of this matter;
- CALLS on all OAU Member States to lend their full support to this
  candidature and REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General to take the
  necessary steps to ensure its success.

# RESOLUTION ON THE CANDIDATURE OF DR GODWIN OLU PATRICK OBASI

# FOR RE-APPOINTMENT AS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-Fifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Considering</u> the crucial importance of the World Meteorological Organization in promoting development in many fields,

<u>Having considered</u> the recommendations of the Ministerial Committee on Candidatures to International Institutions,

**Recalling** the endorsement of Prof Obasi as Africa's candidature for the post of Secretary-General of WMO at its 37<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session and his subsequent election/appointment to that post,

<u>Commanding</u> his distinguished record of leadership and achievements in that position,

<u>Appreciative</u> of the decision of the 10<sup>th</sup> World Meteorological Congress to reelect Prof Obasi for a further terms of four years:

 ENDORSED the recommendations of the Ministerial Committee on Candidature to International Organizations on this matter;

- 2. **COMMENDS** the decision of the 10<sup>th</sup> World Meteorological Congress to re-elect Prof Obasi as Secretary-General of WMO;
- 3. **ADOPTS** Prof Obasi as Africa's candidate for the post of Secretary-General of WMO;
- 4. **CALLS UPON** and OAU Member States to fully support Prof Obasi's candidature and **REQUESTS** the OAU Secretary-General to take the necessary steps to ensure its success.

### **VOTE OT THANKS**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unit, meeting in its Forty-Fifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

**Expressing** its satisfaction with the excellent arrangements which have greatly contributed to the successful and smooth deliberations of the Forty-Fifth Ordinary Session in the spirit of African brotherhood and solidarity,

**Expressing further** its satisfaction with the able and competent manner in which the Chairperson of the Council, has directed the deliberations of this Session,

<u>Noting the importance</u> of this Forty-Fifth Session of the Council of Ministers and its consideration of the vital and pressing issues affecting the Continent:

- 1. **EXPRESSES ITS PROFOUND GRATITUDE** to the Government and fraternal people of Socialist Ethiopia for the warm and traditional African cordial welcome accorded to the delegations of OAU Member States;
- 2. **EXPRESSES FURTHER** its thanks to His Excellency Comrade MENGISTU HAILE-MARIAM, General Secretary of the Committee of the Workers Party of Ethiopia, and Chairman of the Provisional Military Administrative Council, Commander-in-Chief of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Socialist Ethiopia, for his key-note address which was delivered on his behalf by Comrade Berhanu Eayth, Member of the Politburo of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Ethiopia and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Socialist Ethiopia;

- 3. **COMMENDS** highly the Chairperson of the Council, the Hon Dr G.R.T. Chiepa, Foreign Minister of Botswana for the competent manner in which she has directed the deliberations of this Session.
- 4. **THANKS AND COMMENDS** the Secretary-General and his staff for the lucid, comprehensive and detailed reports presented to the Council and for their devotion to duty as clearly manifested throughout the Session.