

**RESOLUTION ON THE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM AND THE PALESTINIAN  
QUESTION**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of Africa Unity, meeting in its Twenty - Eight Ordinary Session in Lome, Togo, from 21 to 28 February 1977.

**Having considered** the Reports of the Administrative Secretary-General of the OAU on the middle East problem (Document CM/Res. 792 (XXVIII) and CM/Res. 793 (XXCIII)), on the Palestinian question,

**Having heard** the statement delivered during the session by H.E. the Minister of State for Foreign Relations of the Arab Republic of Egypt,

**Recalling** the Resolutions adopted by previous sessions of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers on the Middle East and the occupied Arab territories and on the Palestinian problem and, in particular, AHG/ Res. 76 (XII) and CM/Res. 459, CM/Res. 460 (XXVI) and CM/Res. 482 (XXVII),

**Guided** by the principles and objectives of the OAU and the UN Charters and the common destiny of the African and Arab peoples and their continued joint struggle for the exercise of their rights, freedom peace and independence,

**Reaffirming** that just and lasting peace cannot be attained except on the basis of total Israeli withdrawal from all the occupied Arab territories and the recognition of the national legitimate rights of the Palestinian people to sovereignty and national independence and its right to self-determination and the creation of its own State,

**Noting** with indignation that the alliance between Israel and the racist regime in South Africa and Zimbabwe aims at the continuation of the policy of terrorism and extermination of the Palestinian and Arab peoples in the occupied Arab territories and the African peoples in South Africa, Namibia and Zimbabwe, and that Israel and the racist regimes are pursuing identical methods and maneuvers.

1. **ENDORSES** the Reports of the Secretary-General as contained in Documents CM/792 (XXVIII) and CM/793 (XXVIII);
2. **TAKES NOTE** of the stand adopted by the Minister of State of the Arab Republic of Egypt on the Middle East problem and the Palestinian Question;
3. **FURTHER ENDORSES** Resolution CM/Res.459, CM/RES. 460, cm/Res. 481 and CM/Res. 482 by which the Council reaffirmed its total and effective support for Egypt, the Arab Frontline States and the Palestinian people;
4. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS** the alliance between Israel and the racist regimes in south Africa, Zimbabwe and **INVITES** all Member States to be vigilant against the challenges posed by this alliance;
5. **REQUESTS** the Administrative Secretary-General to follow-up the developments on the two questions and present a Report to the Twenty Ninth Session of the Council of Ministers.