

RESOLUTION ON THE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Twenty-Ninth Ordinary Session in Libreville, Gabon, from 23rd June to 3 July, 1977,

Having considered the reports of the Administrative Secretary-General of the OAU on the Middle East problems (Document CM/Res. 830 (XXVIII),

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 resolution adopted by previous sessions of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers of the Middle East and the occupied Arab Territories and on the Palestinian problem and, in particular, AHG/Res. 76 (XII) and CM/Res. 481 (XXVII) and CM/Res. 529 (XXCIII),

Recalling further the report of the Ad Hoc Committee for the exercise by the Palestinian People of their inalienable rights which reaffirms the legitimate and inalienable rights of the Palestinian People to their national homeland in Palestine and the establishment of their independent sovereign state,

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 a 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 regimes in South Africa and S. Rhodesia 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;

Gravely concerned about the reconfirmation of the aggressive designs and policy of expansion reiterated in the statements by the newly formed Israeli Government and in particular its vicious and expansionist plans in the West Bank of the Jordan River and Gaza which constitute a flagrant violation of the legitimate and inalienable rights of the Palestinian People,

1. **ENDORSES** the report of the Secretary-General as contained in Document CN/830 (XXVIII);
2. **TAKES NOTE** of the statement by the Minister of State of the Arab Republic of Egypt on the Middle East problem and the Palestinian Question;
3. **FURTHER ENDORSES** all previous Resolution by which the Council reaffirmed its total and effective support for Egypt, the Arab Frontline States and the Palestinian people;
4. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS** the Israeli aggressive designs and policy of expansion as reiterated in the statements of the newly formed Israeli Government,
5. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS**, once more, the alliance between Israel and the racist regimes in South Africa, Southern Rhodesia and invites all Member States to be vigilant against the dangers of this alliance,
6. **CALLS** on OAU Member States to step-up their diplomatic, economic, political and military isolation of Israel and to support the just Cause of the Palestinian People;

7. **REQUESTS** the Administrative Secretary-General to follow up the developments on the two questions and present a report to the 30th Session of the Council of Ministers.