

RESOLUTION ON NAMIBIA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-Second Ordinary Session in Nairobi, Republic of Kenya, from 23 February to 4 March, 1979,

Having heard a statement by Mr. Sam Nujoma, President of SWAPO

Considering the gravity of the situation prevailing in Namibia on the eve of the scheduled elections to be held under UN auspices,

Resolves to assist Namibia to accede to independence in the best conditions.

1. **DECIDES** to set up a Special Committee which, in close collaboration with the United Nations Council for Namibia will assess Namibia's needs both during the period of transition and the post-independence period ensure her accession to independence by the best condition and to assist her in consolidating her independence by setting up a Namibian national administrative machinery. This Committee includes the African members of the United Nations Council for Namibia, the front Line States and the Executive Secretary of the Liberation Committee.
2. **RECOMMENDS:**
 - a) that member states which possess the means to contribute to the UNTAG contingent forces, inform the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity, as soon as possible;
 - b) that the Secretary-General of the OAU express to the Secretary General of the United Nations the concern of the council about the intention of the Contact Group of Western Countries to maintain in Namibia observers during the transitional period.
 - c) that the OAU Secretary-General requests also the UN Secretary-General:

- i. to include as much as possible, African troops in the United Nations contingent forces for the maintenance of peace in Namibia during the period of transition;
- ii. to obtain from the Republic of South Africa formal assurances on the respect of its commitment to strictly observe the settlement plan approved by the United Nations for the accession of Namibia to independence.