

**RESOLUTION ON THE APPLICATION OF
SANCTIONS AGAINST THE RACIST AND
MINORITY REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA**

The Council of Ministers of the organization of African Unity meeting in its Thirty-third Ordinary Session in Monrovia, Liberia, from 6 to 20 July 1979;

Having considered the Secretary-General's Report on the application of Sanctions Against the Racist and Minority Regimes in Southern Africa, Doc. CM/970 (XXXIII);

Having taken cognizance of the Report of the Standing Committee on Sanctions DOC. CM/971 (XXXIII);

Recalling the pertinent resolutions of the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity;

Deeply concerned by the continuous violation of sanctions by some countries against the regimes in Southern Africa;

Considered that the strict and vigorous application of sanctions by the international community as a whole would undoubtedly lead to the collapse of the racist minority regimes of Pretoria and Salisbury;

Regretting the use of African airports and air space by South African aircrafts or by other airlines to and from South Africa;

Bearing in mind the current special difficulties confronting some independent states in southern Africa and Cape Verde which are obliged to maintain some economic relations with the South African Regime by virtue of historical and geographical circumstances;

Resolved to pursue and develop the campaign to isolate the regimes of South Africa and Rhodesia;

Convinced of the need for better coordination between the activities of the OAU Standing Committee on Sanctions, and those of the committee on Sanctions of the UN Secretary Council and other international organizations;

Fully aware of the perfidious role played by international oil companies by illegally diverting oil to the racist and minority regimes in Southern Africa;

Deeply shocked by the attempts of the government of the United Kingdom to lift sanctions against the illegal regime of Rhodesia and to ensure that this regime is recognized by the international community;

Deeply concerned by the manoeuvres being made by certain elements in the US Congress to compel the government of the USA to lift UN Sanctions now enforced against the illegal Muzorewa/Smith regime in Rhodesia;

Bearing in mind the temporary situation in which Cape Verde and some independent states in Southern Africa by which they are economically bound;

Deeply concerned by the activities of the UK and US Governments to stifle the struggle of the People of Zimbabwe for genuine independence as demonstrated by these two governments in the granting of visas and reception accorded to Muzorewa and Smith, the representatives of the illegal regime of Rhodesia, on their visits to the US and UK in violation of UN Security Council resolution of March 1979;

Determined the spare no effort in ensuring that mandatory sanctions, especially oil embargo are imposed on the South African regime by the Security Council in conformity with Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations;

Convinced that the use of specialized services of consultants would be such to facilitate the task of the OAU Standing Committee on Scansions;

1. **TAKES NOT OF WITH SATISFACION** the report of the Secretary-General on the Application of Sanctions Against the Racist and Minority Regimes of Southern Africa;

2. **FURTHER TAKES NOTE** of the report of the OAU Standing Committee on sanctions;
3. **DEPRECATES AND CONDEMNS** the expressed intention of the Government of the United Kingdom to lift sanctions against the illegal minority regimes of Rhodesia and to accord it recognition in violation of the decision of UN Security Council and other resolutions;
4. **CALLS UPON** certain elements in the US Congress to desist forthwith from pressuring the US Government to lift sanctions against the Muzorewa/Smith regime in violation of the decision of the UN Security Council and other resolutions;
5. **CONDEMNS** the Governments of the USA and UK for granting visa and admitting into their countries the representatives of the Muzorewa/Smith illegal regime in 1976 and recently in 1979 in flagrant violation of the UN Security Council mandatory sanctions against Rhodesia;
6. **FURTHER REQUESTS** the Standing Committee on Sanctions to have fresh consultations with the independent countries in Southern Africa as well as Cape Verde with a view to examining their needs together and defining other forms of co-operation which in some cases might be most appropriate;
7. **APPEALS** to Member States to offer substantial financial or other forms of assistance to the States, neighbours of South Africa and Cape Verde to enable them face the difficulties resulting from the application of sanctions;
8. **EXPRESSES** its appreciation to the OAU Standing Committee on Sanctions for its commendable work, for the manner in which it fulfilled its delicate assignment and encourages it to pursue its task with perseverance and tenacity;
9. **EXPRESSES** understanding, sympathy for and solidarity with some of the independent states of Southern Africa and Cape Verde with regards to their difficulties caused by their situation in relation of South Africa;

10. **CONDEMNS** all those countries which continue to have political, diplomatic, economic, trade, military, nuclear and other relations with the south African and Rhodesian regimes in violation of the relevant UN and OAU resolutions, in particular UK, USA, the Federal Republic of Germany, France, Japan, Belgium, Italy, as well as certain Latin American countries;*
11. **CALLS UPON** all countries , in particular Britain, USA, West Germany, France, Israel, Australia, Canada and Italy, to take effective legislative and or administrative measures to ensure that their nationals shall not enlist for a participation in mercenary which in support of the white majority regimes of Southern Africa;
12. **CALLS UPON** African countries which continue to have air links with South Africa to study the possibility of cutting such links, refusing to allow all air crafts to and from South Africa to sly over their territories and denying such air crafts the use of their airports;
13. **REMINDS** the OAU Secretariat to convene the meeting of aeronautical experts to study this subject as directed by Resolution CM/Res. 623 (XXXI) adopted in Khartoum the Sudan and to report to the next Session of the Council of Ministers;
14. **RECOMMENDS** that the international oil companies supplying oil to South Africa and Rhodesia be black-listed in all African countries;
15. **APPEALS** most urgently to the African oil producing countries to further demonstrate their solidarity by supplying more oil to the independent countries in Southern Africa, adversely affected by the oil embargo against South Africa;
16. **REQUESTS** the OAU Standing Committee on Scansions to continue its consultations with the Member States of OPEC to study the means by which international oil companies evade oil sanctions against South Africa and to devise methods to ensure their compliance with oil sacntions against South Africa and the illegal regime of Rhodesia;

* **Reservations:** Ivory Coast, Senegal, Zaire, Togo, Gabon, Cameroon, Niger, Morocco, Rwanda, Malawi, Mali and Liberia

17. **URGES** all friendly countries as well as the international community to continue applying sanctions against the racist minority regime of Rhodesia and to refrain from recognising Muzorewa's puppet regime or any other government resulting from the internal settlement of March 1978 or the April 1979 bogus elections;
18. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General of OAU and the United Nations Special Committee against Apartheid to organize an international conference in 1980 under the joint auspices of the UN and the OAU to mobilize world public opinion in support of the effective application of economic and other sanctions against South Africa;
19. **CALLS ON** OAU Member States to co-operate fully with the General Secretariat and the OAU Standing Committee Sanctions by communicating regularly to the General Secretariat the necessary information on how sanctions are applied by them;
20. **REQUESTS** the African Group at the United Nations to take necessary steps to convene a meeting of the UN Security Council with a view to considering, in accordance with Chapter VII of the UN Charter, the general question of mandatory economic sanctions and especially oil embargo on the racist South African regime;
21. **AUTHORISES** the Secretary-General to make use of the services of a Consultation Group on Sanctions for a year to facilitate the work and activities of the OAU Standing Committee on Sanctions;
22. **CONGRATULATES** all international non-governmental organizations for their activities in the struggle against the minority regimes of Southern Africa including the Organization of African Trade Union Unity (OATUU) and other international Trade Union Organizations on the boycott action carried out in conformity with the Resolution adopted in the Second International Trade Union conference held in Geneva in June 1977;
23. **FURTHER APPEALS** to these organizations to launch an international campaign to enforce sanctions against the Pretoria and Salisbury regimes; and

appeals to workers in these countries to refuse to load and unload ships and aircrafts going to and from South Africa;

24. **INVITES** OAU Member-States to take individual and collective action to penalize countries which collaborate with the racist regimes of Southern Africa and appeals to Member States of the non-aligned movement and other friendly countries to do the same;

25. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS** those countries which continue to collaborate in the nuclear fields with the Apartheid regime and mandates the African Group at the UN to convene the Security Council.