RESOLUTION ON SOUTHERN RHODESIA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Eight Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 27 February to 4 March 1967,

**Having noted** the report of the Administrative Secretary-General, the report of the Committee of Five on Rhodesia and the report of the Foreign Ministers of Algeria, Senegal and Zambia;

**Recalling** its former resolutions CM/Res. 75 of March 1966 and CM/Res. 78 of November 1966 concerning Southern Rhodesia and also resolution 232 of the Security Council ordering selective mandatory sanctions against Southern Rhodesia,

**Convinced** that the situation in Southern Rhodesia constitutes a threat to international peace and security,

1. **CONDEMNS** again unreservedly the Government of the United Kingdom for shirking its moral and constitutional responsibilities to the people of Zimbabwe by allowing the illegal Smith regime to consolidate its position in defiance of the rights of the people of Zimbabwe and world opinion;
2. **REAFFIRMS** that primarily the responsibility of toppling the illegal regime in Rhodesia rests with Britain and remains convinced that the only way to do this is the use of force;
3. **STRONGLY REAFFIRMS** the right of the people of Zimbabwe to freedom and self-determination;
4. **CALLS UPON** the nationalist movements in Zimbabwe to unite their ranks. co- ordinate and intensify their efforts against the common enemy in order to expedite efforts against the common enemy in order to expedite the liberation of their territory and also on African States to give every assistance to the nationalist movements to ensure the liberation of the territory and the establishment of majority rule;
5. **CALLS ONCE AGAIN UPON** the African Members of the Security Council to continue to sponsor the necessary measures which strengthen and complete the implementation of the Security Council resolution 232 including the invocation of Article 42 Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations;
6. **EXPRESSES** its appreciation to the Foreign Ministers if Algeria, Senegal and Zambia for their efforts in the Security Council and invites them to continue their efforts in order to achieve the objective set for them by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government;
7. **DECIDES** to maintain the question of Southern Rhodesia on its agenda.