

VOTE OF THANKS

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unit, meeting in its Forty-Fifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

Expressing its satisfaction with the excellent arrangements which have greatly contributed to the successful and smooth deliberations of the Forty -Fifth Ordinary Session in the spirit of African brotherhood and solidarity,

Expressing further its satisfaction with the able and competent manner in which the Chairperson of the Council, has directed the deliberations of this Session,

Noting the importance of this Forty-Fifth Session of the Council of Ministers and its consideration of the vital and pressing issues affecting the Continent:

1. **EXPRESSES ITS PROFOUND GRATITUDE** to the Government and fraternal people of Socialist Ethiopia for the warm and traditional African cordial welcome accorded to the delegations of OAU Member States;
2. **EXPRESSES FURTHER** its thanks to His Excellency Comrade MENGISTU HAILE-MARIAM, General Secretary of the Committee of the Workers Party of Ethiopia, and Chairman of the Provisional Military Administrative Council, Commander-in-Chief of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Socialist Ethiopia, for his key-note address which was delivered on his behalf by Comrade Berhanu Eayth, Member of the Politburo of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Ethiopia and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Socialist Ethiopia;

3. **COMMENDS** highly the Chairperson of the Council, the Hon Dr G.R.T. Chiepa, Foreign Minister of Botswana for the competent manner in which she has directed the deliberations of this Session.

4. **THANKS AND COMMENDS** the Secretary-General and his staff for the lucid, comprehensive and detailed reports presented to the Council and for their devotion to duty as clearly manifested throughout the Session.