

**DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE QUESTION OF THE
COMORIAN ISLAND OF MAYOTTE**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-sixth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 20 to 25 July 1987,

Having heard the statement of the Head of the Delegation of the Federal Islamic Republic of the Comoros on the developments in the situation of the Comorian Island of Mayotte,

Having considered the report contained in Document CM/1427 (XLVI) Part II,

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the OAU on the Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte in particular Resolution CM/Res.1051 (XLVI),

Recalling further the relevant Resolutions and decisions of the United Nations, the Non-Aligned Movement, the Islamic Conference Organization and the League of Arab States,

Recalling finally the Programme of Action recommended by the OAU Ad-Hoc Committee of Seven, contained in Document CTTEE 7/Mayotte/Rec. 1 – 9 (11) adopted at Moroni in November 1981,

Reiterating the legitimacy of the demands of the Government of Comoros regarding the reintegration of the Comorian Island of Mayotte within the Federal Islamic Republic of the Comoros,

Aware of the insecurity prevailing in the region owing to the presence in and control of the Comorian Island of Mayotte by France,

Expressing its concern over the intransigence of the French Government regarding the legitimate demands of the Government of Comoros and the relevant resolutions of the Organization of African Unity, the United Nations, the Islamic Conference Organization and the League of Arab States,

Deploring the initiatives taken by the French Authorities to invite to the Indian Ocean Youth Games, the Comorian Island of Mayotte as an entity separate from the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros:

1. **REAFFIRMS** the sovereignty of the Federal Islamic Republic of the Comoros over the Comorian Island of Mayotte;
2. **ALSO REAFFIRMS** its solidarity with the Comorian people in their determination to regain their political unity and defend their national sovereignty and territorial integrity;
3. **TAKES NOTE** of the report contained in Document CM/1427 (XLNI);
4. **CALLS UPON** the OAU Member States to do everything possible individually and collectively particularly by launching a pressure campaign through media in order to bring France to return the Comorian Island of Mayotte to the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros as soon as possible;
5. **FURTHER CALLS UPON** all Member States to make contact, individually and collectively with pressure groups in France with a view to sensitizing and alerting the French and International public to the question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte in order to make the French Government abandon its illegal occupation of the Island;
6. **APPEALS** to all the Member States of the OAU and the international community to condemn and reject all new forms of consultation on the International legal status of the Island, which may be organized by France within the Comorian territory of Mayotte, since the referendum for self-determination held on 22 December 1974 is the only valid consultation applicable to the entire Archipelago.
7. **FURTHER APPEALS** to all OAU Member States and the international community to condemn and reject all initiatives to be taken by France to make the Comorian Island of Mayotte participate in the events in which it would be considered as a separate entity from the Federal Islamic Republic of the Comoros;
8. **MANDATES** the OAU Ad-Hoc Committee of 7 on the Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte and the General Secretariat to pursue efforts already being deployed and maintain the momentum gathered at the end of the meeting with the French Authorities in order to return the

Comorian Island of Mayotte to the Federal and Islamic Republic of the Comoros in the shortest possible time;

- 9. REQUESTS that the Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte continues to be on the agenda of all meetings of the OAU, the Non-Aligned Movement, the League of Arab States and the Islamic Conference Organization, until the Comorian Island of Mayotte is restored to the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros.**