

**VOTE OF THANKS**

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,

**Expressing its full satisfaction** with and appreciation for the excellent arrangements which have greatly contributed to the successful conclusion of the deliberation of the Forty-sixth Ordinary Session,

**Expressing further its thanks and appreciation** for the brilliant, able and competent manner in which the Chairman of the Council has conducted the deliberations of this Session,

**Noting the significance of this Forty-sixth Session of the Council of Ministers and its consideration of the important and vital issues facing Africa:**

1. EXPRESS ITS DEEP APPRECIATION, THANKS AND GRATITUDE to the Government and brotherly people of Socialist Ethiopia for the typically warm African hospitality accorded to the various delegation of the OAU Member States;
2. CONVEYS ITS THANKS AND GRATITUDE to His Excellency Comrade Mengistu Haile Mariam, General Secretary of the Workers' Party of Socialist Ethiopia, chairman of the Provisional Military Administrative Council, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Socialist Ethiopia, for his inspiring and Pan-Africanist key note statement which was delivered on his behalf by Comrade Berhanu Bayih, Member of the Politbureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Ethiopia and Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Socialist Ethiopia;
3. COMMENDS very highly the Chairman of the Council, the Hon. M.B.W. Mkapa, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the United Republic of Tanzania, for the exceptionally able, competent and brilliant manner in which he conducted the deliberation of this Session;

4. **EXPRESSES ITS THANKS AND GRATITUDE to the Secretary-General and his Staff for the brilliant comprehensive and highly informative reports presented to the Council and for their untiring devotion to duty as manifestly demonstrated throughout the Session.**