

CM/Res.1276 (LII)

**RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE
EAST**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fifty-second Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 3 to 8 July 1990,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity on the situation in the Middle East as contained in Document CM/1607 (LII), of the Council of Ministers,

Guided by the principles and objectives of the Charters of the OAU and the United Nations, and the common determination of the African and Arab peoples,

Bearing in mind the successive resolutions adopted previously by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers of the OAU on the situation in the Middle East,

Noting with deep concern that in spite of the many resolutions adopted by the United Nations General Assembly, the Security Council, and the Organization of African Unity urging Israel to withdraw from the Arab territories occupied since 1967, including Jerusalem, not only has Israel persistently refused to comply with these resolutions, but continues to pursue its occupation and expansionist policy,

Reaffirming that the violation by Israel of the territories of its neighbors and of the other Arab countries, their airspace and territorial waters poses a threat to international peace and security,

Noting with deep indignation that the complicity between the Zionist regime of Israel and the Apartheid regime of South Africa is aimed at perpetrating acts of terrorism and pursuing the repression of Palestinians and Arabs in the occupied territories, in the one hand, and the majority of the black population of South Africa in the other:

1. REAFFRIMS all previous resolutions adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers of the OAU and EXPRESSES ITS FULL SUPPORT to the Arab countries, victims of Israeli aggression, and to the Palestinian people in their just struggle to recover their rights and their occupied territory;
2. EMPHASIZES the identity of the struggle waged by the Arab and African peoples and the need for caution against the total collusion between the Tel - Aviv Government and the racist regime of Pretoria, especially as regards nuclear armament and the serious threat to security and peace;

3. PAYS A GLOWING TRIBUTE to the Lebanese people for their heroic resistance to external aggression; APPEALS to the Lebanese people to effect a reconciliation so as to safeguard the independence and territorial integrity of Lebanon; DEMANDS the withdrawal of Karachi Forces from South Lebanon, in conformity with Security Council Resolution 425; CALLS FOR the implementation of the TAFT Agreement and ENCOURAGES all other peace initiations in Lebanon;
4. CALLS FOR continued efforts for the restoration of a global and lasting peace between Iraq and Iran in conformity with Security Council Resolutions 55 (1987) as a comprehensive peace plan;
5. REAFFIRMS the Declaration CM/Res.22 (XLVVI) and ANG/Dec.2 (XXII) of the Council of Ministers and the Assembly of Heads of State and Government on the American aggression against the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, CONDEMNS the new American threats to use force against Libya,
6. SUPPORTS the initiative of H.E. Mohamed Hosni Mubarak, President of the Arab Republic of Egypt and Current Chairman of the twenty-fifth Ordinary Session of Assembly of Heads of State and Government to make the Middle East a zone free of any weapon of mass destruction;
7. SUPPORTS the efforts exerted to convene the International Conference for Peace in the Middle East, in pursuance of the relevant resolutions adopted by the UN General Assembly, with the participation, on an equal footing of the Permanent Members of the Security Council, and the parties concerned, including the PLO, the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian People;
8. DEMANDS withdrawal of Israel from the occupied Arab territories and CONSIDERS NULL and VOID any measures taken by Israel in the occupied territories aimed at changing their characteristics and over-exploiting their resources;
9. REQUESTS all States, international organizations and investment institutions to refrain from providing Israel with any form of support in its practices on these territories and engaging in any cooperation relations with this country, likely to enable it to illegally exploit the resources of these territories and DEMANDS that Israel put an end to its acts of violation;

10. REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General to follow up the evolution of the situation in the Middle East and report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity.