

CM/Res.1334 (LIV)

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

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fifty - fourth Ordinary Session in Abuja, Federal Republic of Nigeria, from 27 May to 1 June 1991,

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/1664 (LIV),

Guided by the principles and objectives enshrined in the Charters of the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations and the common determination of the African and the Arab Peoples to pull their resources in defense of their independence and restoration of their legitimate basic rights,

Noting with grave concern that the connivance between the Zionist Regime in Israel and the Apartheid System in South Africa, aims at spreading international terrorism against the Palestinians in occupied Arab lands and the majority of the population in South Africa and their suppression,

Recalling that the Palestinian Question is the main cause of the conflict in the Middle East,

Reaffirming that the violation by Israel of the sanctity of the Arab lands, air space and territorial waters, constitutes a threat to international peace and security,

Considering the efforts made to establish peace in Lebanon within the context of the Taif Agreement:

1. RECALLS all the resolutions previously adopted by the OAU Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers, and EXPRESSES its full support for the Palestinian people and to the Arab Countries that are victims of Israeli aggression;
2. FURTHER REAFFIRMS the common struggle of the African and Arab Peoples and the urgent need to promote Afro-Arab Solidarity;
3. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the Israeli refusal to comply with the resolutions of the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity and the provisions of the Fourth Geneva Convention of 12 August 1949, for the Protection of Civilians in times of War;
4. STRONGLY CONDEMNS also the settlement of Jews in the occupied Arab Territories;

5. DEMANDS the withdrawal of Israelis from all the occupied Arab Territories, and considers null and void measures taken by Israel in these territories aimed at changing their original characteristics and exploiting their resources;
6. DEMANDS the early convening of an International Peace Conference on the Middle East in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the United Nations General Assembly with the participation of the Permanent Members of the Security Council and the parties concerned, including the PLO, the sole Legitimate representative of the Palestinian People on an equal footing, and SUPPORTS efforts deployed in this regard;
7. EXPRESSES SATISFACTION at the process of national reconciliation and peace in Lebanon and its hope in reconstruction;
8. DEMANDS the withdrawal of the Israeli forces from Southern Lebanon in conformity with Resolution 425 of the United Nations Security Council;
9. CALLS UPON all States, international organizations and investment institutions to abstain from lending any support to Israel for its acts in these territories and from maintaining any cooperation relations with that country, likely to enable it to exploit the resources of these territories, and DEMANDS Israel to put an end to its acts of violation;
10. REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity to follow the development of the situation in the Middle East and report to the next Ordinary Session of the OAU Council of Ministers.