

**RESOLUTION ON THE RIGHT OF STATES TO DECIDE ON THEIR
POLITICAL OPTIONS WITHOUT FOREIGN INTERFERENCE**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fifty -sixth Ordinary Session in Dakar, Senegal, from 22 to 28 June 1992,

Considering that the Charter of the Organization of African Unity in its Article III , solemnly affirms inter-alia: the following principles:

- Equality of Member States,
- Non-interference in the internal affairs of States and respect for sovereignty,
- Territorial integrity of each State, and its inalienable right to independent existence.

Recalling the Declaration on the Political and Socio-economic Situation in Africa and the Changes Currently Taking Place in the World, conditions that enjoin African countries to consolidate their democratic institutions in all sovereignty and on the basis of African social and cultural values,

Further recalling the standing provisions of the United Nations Charter,

Referring to the Report of the OAU Secretary-General that emphasized the fact that, as far as democracy was concerned, it was important to take account of the needs and specific circumstances of African societies:

1. REAFFIRMS the right of every State to determine freely, in full sovereignty and complete freedom, its political institutions without foreign influence;
2. CALLS ON extra-African Powers to refrain from interfering in the internal affairs of African countries;
3. ENJOINS the Secretary-General to closely monitor the issue and submit a report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Ministers.