

**RESOLUTION ON THE QUESTION OF PALESTINE**

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,

Having considered the Report of the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity on the Question of Palestine as contained in Document CM/1716 (LVI),

Recalling the relevant resolutions adopted by the previous sessions of the Council of Ministers and the Assembly of Heads of State and Government on the Question of Palestine,

Reaffirming the legitimacy of the struggle of the Palestinian people under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization in order to recover their territories and exercise their inalienable national rights:

1. CONFIRMS all previous resolutions and recommendations adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers on the Question of Palestine;
2. REAFFIRMS that the Question of Palestine is at the core of the conflict in the Middle East and that a just and lasting peace in the region requires the withdrawal of Israel from all Palestinian and Arab territories and the establishment of a Palestinian State with Jerusalem as its capital;
3. EXPRESSES ITS SATISFACTION for the efforts exerted by the United States of America to establish a just and comprehensive peace in the Middle East and WELCOMES the decision of Russia to continue to sponsor the Peace Conference;
4. FURTHER WELCOMES the resumption of negotiations among the Parties concerned based on respect for international law, especially the Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 and the principle of land for peace which, when implemented, will lead to the withdrawal of Israel from all Palestinian and Arab territories occupied in 1967, including Jerusalem, thus allowing the Palestinian people to recover their inalienable rights, including their right to return to their homeland, self-determination and the establishment of independent and sovereign State of Palestine;
5. FURTHER REAFFIRMS ITS FULL SOLIDARITY AND SUPPORT for the just and legitimate struggle being waged by the Palestinian people under the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization, their sole legitimate representative;

6. EXPRESSES ITS SUPPORT for the popular uprising “INTIFADA” in the occupied territories;
7. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the continued inhuman acts perpetrated by Israel against the citizens of the occupied Palestinian and Arab territories and all acts of desecration of holy places;
8. CONDEMNS the expansionist settlement policies pursued by Israel and the violation of human rights and international agreements and treaties, which constitute the main obstacle to achieving a just and comprehensive peace in the region;
9. URGENTLY REQUESTS the international community to guarantee all necessary protection for the Palestinian people living under the Israeli occupation and URGES Israel to comply with all the provisions of the Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949 concerning protection of civilians during war;
10. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the settlement policies manifested in the settlement of Jews and immigrant Jews in the occupied Palestinian territories including Jerusalem and REQUESTS the United States, in accordance with their declared position, to take the necessary actions to stop the settlement of Jews and immigrants in the Palestinian and Arab territories;
11. CALLS ON the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity to follow the development on the Palestinian Question and submit a report thereon to the next Ordinary Session of the OAU Council of Ministers.