RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Sixty-Second Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 21 to 23 June, 1995,

Having considered the Report of the OAU Secretary-General on the situation in Angola,

Noting with satisfaction the recent progress made in the implementation of the Lusaka –Protocol,

Having heard the explanations given by the Minister of External Relations of the Republic of Angola on the development in the general situation, particularly the political decision to appoint the UNITA Leader to one of the posts of Vice-President;

Expressing its gratitude to those troops contributing countries as well as those providing other forms of assistance to the Third UN Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM III):

- 1. **HAILS** the adoption by UN Security Council of Resolution 976/95 establishing UNAVEM III and APPEALS to the UN to accelerate the deployment of the military contingent of the peace-keeping forces in Angola so as to consolidate the process;
- 2. **EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE** to the Government of Angola and UNITA for the progress made in the implementation of the Lusaka Protocol, particularly their effective observance of the ceasefire, the opening of routes and clearing of mines, the free movement of people and goods, as well as the release of prisoners;
- 3. **FURHTER EXPRESSES SATISFACTION** with the recent meeting on 6 May between the President of the Republic, H.E. Mr. Jose Eduardo dos SANTOS and the leader of UNITA, Dr. Jonas SAVIMBI, whose outcome further reinforces the confidence of the Angolan people and that of the international community in the Peace Process and in National Reconciliation;
- 4. **WELCOMES** with satisfaction the decision of the Angola Government, and COMMENDS particularly the efforts made by President Jose Eduardo Dos Santos to include the UNITA leader in the State Structure, which will contribute towards the consolidation of the peace process and National Reconciliation in Angola;
- 5. **URGES** the UNITA Leader, Dr. Jonas Savimbi to keep up the political will which he has manifested at the Lusaka meeting and to closely cooperate with his Head of State;

- 6. **ENCOURAGES** the Angola Government and UNITA to pursue their efforts to honour their commitments under the Lusaka Protocol;
- 7. **COMMENDS** the efforts being made by H.E. President Chiluba, the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General, Alioune Blondin Beye and the Three Observer States within the framework of the pursuit of the Angolan Peace Process, as well as those by the neighbouring countries, which continues to assist in the search for peace and national reconciliation in Angola;
- 8. **FURTHER COMMENDS** the efforts undertaken by the African Ministerial delegation which went to New York in February, 1995 to participate in the UN Security Council's Session on Angola with a view to expressing Africa's full support for the peace process in Angola;
- 9. **APPEALS** to all OAU Member States and to the international community at large to extend humanitarian assistance and material, as well as technical and financial support to the Government of Angola to enable it ensure the integration of refugees into society and the implementation of the Programme for National Reconstruction;
- 10. **REQUESTS** the OAU Secretary-General to closely monitor the implementation of the Lusaka Protocol and to continue to work with the UN Secretary-General and his Special Representative in Angola, towards exploring any and every means for OAU's support to the efforts being made by the UN to ensure stability, lasting peace and national reconciliation in Angola.