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# RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Sixty-Fourth Ordinary Session in Yaounde, Cameroon, from 1 to 5 July, 1996,

**Having considered** the report of the Secretary-General on the Situation in Angola, contained in Document CM/1944 (LXIV),

**Noting with satisfaction** the recent developments attained in the implementation of the Lusaka Protocol,

**Having heard** the substantial information provided by the Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Angola on the progress regarding the implementation of the Lusaka Protocol,

**Emphasizing** the obligation by all States to respect the United Nations Security Council and the its relevant resolutions on the need to refrain from any act capable of jeopardizing the peace effort and national reconciliation in Angola:

1. **WELCOMES** the progress achieved in the Angola Peace Process despite the delay encountered in implementing the Protocol Calendar of activities relating to steps defined in the Lusaka Protocol;
2. **EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION** to the International Community in particular, the United Nations and the Observer Countries to the Peace Process in Angola for the efforts deployed in supporting the Angolan Parties involved in restoring peace,

confidence and stability in the country;

1. **URGES** the parties in particular UNITA to honour and scrupulously comply with the commitments made in the framework of the Lusaka Protocol and cooperate, in bona fide, with the Special Representative of United Nations Secretary-General in Angola with a view to swiftly implementing and completing the process of the Lusaka Protocol;
2. **COMMENDS** the Angola Government for the timely honour of its obligations as enshrined in the Lusaka Protocol;
3. **FURTHER APPRECIATES** the compromises arrived at during the meeting held in Libreville, Gabon on 1 March 1996 under the auspices of President Omar Bongo, between the Angolan Head of State and the UNITA Leader, on the formation of a single army and a government of national unity and reconciliation in which UNITA members and Dr Savimbi himself participated;
4. **REQUESTS ONCE MORE**, the International Community to honour the commitments pledged during the Brussels Roundtable towards the reconstruction and community rehabilitation of Angola;
5. **EXPRESSES ITS DEEP GRATITUDE** to the humanitarian aid agencies for the invaluable assistance provided to the displaced people and, at this critical stage, of the peace process, **APPEALS** to them to further increase the assistance to the demobilized fighters and their families;
6. **PAYS TRIBUTE** to the exemplary work done by UNIVEM III in advancing the peace process;
7. **CALLS ON** the Secretary-General to continue to monitor the situation and report

thereon to the next Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers.

# RESOLUTION ON SOMALIA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Sixty-Fourth Ordinary Session in Yaounde, Cameroon, from 1 to 5 July 1996,

**Having considered** the Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Somalia, document CM/1946 (LXIV),

**Having listened** to the statement by the Foreign Minister of Ethiopia on Somalia,

**Concerned over** the little progress made relating to the situation in Somalia in launching a process of national reconciliation aimed at establishing a broad-based national authority,

**Concerned further** about the deteriorating humanitarian situation in Somalia,

**Reiterating its position** that ultimately the responsibility for finding a solution to the conflict in Somalia lies with the Somali people themselves.

**Reaffirming** the leading role that must be played by Africa in general and the countries of the region in particular, in the search for a lasting solution to the Somali conflict:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Secretary-General;
2. **EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION** to H.E. Ato Meles Zenawi, Prime Minister of Ethiopia and, Outgoing Chairman of the OAU, who has a special mandate to facilitate the restoration of peace in Somalia, as well as the Secretary-General of the Organization, for their efforts in the search for a negotiated, political solution to the

conflict in Somalia;

1. **SUPORTS** the efforts of the Member States of IGAD which have embarked on reactivating their initiatives for peace and reconciliation in Somalia;
2. **URGES** the Somali factions to assume their responsibility over the situation obtaining in their country, Somalia;
3. **REAFFIRMS ITS CALL** to the various Somali leaders to recognize the imperative need to act urgently to promote dialogue aimed at the establishment of a broad- based national authority and the pursuance of national reconciliation;
4. **URGES** the various Somali leaders to develop a common vision for their country and work towards the creation of conditions of security which are conducive to the facilitation of such assistance;
5. **REAFFIRMS ITS EARLIER APPEAL** to all OAU Member States and the International Community to desist from supplying war materials to any of the factions in Somali so as to avoid an escalation of the crisis;
6. **APPEALS ONCE MORE** to the Member States and the International Community to provide humanitarian assistance in view of the worsening humanitarian situation in Somalia;
7. **CALLS UPON** H.E. Ato Meles Zenawi, Prime Minister of Ethiopia, and the Outgoing Chairman of the OAU as well as the Secretary-General of the Organization to continue their efforts aimed at finding a lasting solution to the crisis in Somalia;
8. **FURTHER CALLS UPON** the UN and the other Inter-Governmental Organizations, including the Arab League and the Organization for the Islamic Conference, to closely coordinate their efforts with the OAU and IGAD in the search for a solution to the conflict in Somalia;
9. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to continue to monitor the situation in Somalia and report thereon to the Sixty-Fourth Ordinary Session of Council;