

DECLARATION ON THE MASSACRE AT HOMOINE
IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-sixth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 20 to 25 July 1987, has learnt with sorrow and anger about the dastardly massacre by the armed bandits of over 380 innocent civilians in Homoine, in the People's Republic of Mozambique,

This act of savagery once more characterizes the terrorist and criminal nature of the racist Pretoria regime and its armed bandits who are determined to continue to destabilize not only Mozambique, but also Southern Africa as a whole,

The racists in South Africa who are responsible for the dastardly attack and massacre in Homoine, and all the massacres and assassinations in Southern Africa, thus continue to perpetrate heinous crimes against humanity,

Recalling that this is a way of violating with impunity, the territorial integrity of an OAU Member State by the forces of the South African racist regime,

Further recalling the massacres in Ngasonia, and Mapai, and the numerous assassinations of African patriots in all of the Frontline and neighboring States,

Noting that the responsibility of the racist regime of Pretoria is established regarding the financial and logistic assistance it gives to the armed bandits engaged in a murderous enterprise in Mozambique,

Further noting that the UN Charter is unequivocal on threats to peace and security,

Aware of the arrogance and the contempt that the racist regime in Pretoria continues to manifest for the principles of International Law, and for the Charter of the United Nations,

Condemns in the strongest terms, this barbarous act perpetrated by the enemies of Africa against our African brothers and sisters in Mozambique,

The Council of Ministers reaffirms its full support to the Government and heroic people of Mozambique in its struggle against the armed bandits who are an extension of the racist army of South Africa,

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, conscious of the fact that, under the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations, the international community has some obligations:

- 1. REAFFIRMS its unflinching support for the Government and the heroic people of Mozambique in their struggle against the armed bandits who are nothing but a wing of the racist South African Army;**
- 2. URGES the international community to unreservedly condemn this despicable act of banditry perpetrated by the racist regime of South Africa against the People's Republic of Mozambique;**
- 3. CALLS UPON the international community not to extend any kind of recognition, support, assistance nor facilities which favor a propaganda for these armed bandits;**
- 4. APPEALS to the international community so that it renders as a matter of urgency, all possible assistance to the People's Republic of Mozambique, in its struggle against the armed bandits, who are trained, financed, transported and led by officers of the racist regime;**
- 5. FURTHER CALL UPON the Permanent Members of the UN Security Council, as a matter of moral conscience and political obligation under the Charter of the United Nations, to invoke and apply the provisions of Chapter VII of the UN Charter against the racist regime, which has by its continuing acts of aggression against all States in Southern Africa, made itself an international outlaw;**

6. **CONSEQUENTLY REAFFIRMS** the moral obligation for the international community to ensure that those who have committed by the Nazis, do not go unpunished.