

**RESOLUTION ON THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE
TENTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE OAU DEFENCE COMMISSION**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the Tenth Ordinary Session of the OAU Defence Commission, contained in Document CM/1546 (L),

Bearing in mind Decision AHG/DEC 113 (XVI) Rev.1 on the establishment of an OAU Defence Force,

Recalling its Resolution CM/Res.1073 (XLIV) on the need to conduct an in depth study of the implications of the establishment of an African Defence Organ,

Determined to promote and harmonize co-operation among the Member States of the OAU in military matters, pursuant to the objectives of the Organization,

Taking into account the recommendations of the Defence Commission in favor of the establishment of an African Defence Organ,

Convinced that only a concerted political will of the OAU Member States can help the Organization of African Unity to establish a body capable of intervening rapidly in a state of crisis:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the report of the Tenth Ordinary Session of the Defence Commission, contained in Document CM/1546 (L);
2. **EXPRESSES ITS PROFOUND GRATITUDE** to the Government and people of the Socialist Peoples Libyan Arab Jamahiriya for the excellent arrangements made thus ensuring the success of the deliberations of the Tenth Ordinary Session of the Defence Commission;

- 3. REAFFIRMS the decision in principle to establish an African Defence Organ and REQUESTS the Defence Commission to pursue its studies on the modalities of establishing such an Organ, by analyzing and assessing the budgetary implications;**
- 4. APPEALS to all Member States to promote and intensify their co-operation in military matters, with the aim of fostering solidarity, ensuring mutual assistance, complementarity and independence;**
- 5. TAKES NOTE of the establishment of a sub-Committee to study all aspects related to the smooth functioning of the Defence Commission;**
- 6. CALLS UPON the Secretary-General to take all necessary steps to organize the meeting of the sub-Committee of the Defence Commission before the Eleventh Ordinary Session of the Commission;**
- 7. FURTHER CALLS UPON the Secretary-General to monitor the implementation of this resolution and to report thereon to the Fifty-fourth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers.**