

RESOLUTION ON ETHIOPIA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fifty-fourth Ordinary Session in Abuja, Federal Republic of Nigeria, from 27 May to 1 June 1991,

Having considered the Report of the Secretary-General on the Activities of the Organization, in particular on the conflicts plaguing the continent,

Recalling the provisions of the Charter as well as all relevant resolutions pertaining to settlement of conflicts by peaceful means and on the need to safeguard the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Member States,

Bearing in mind the urgent need for peace and security as prerequisites for development and integration of Africa,

Taking into account the unfortunate conflict that has ravage Ethiopia for decades,

Bearing in mind the unique character of Addis Ababa as the Headquarters of our continental organization, the OAU, and also the Headquarters of the UN Economic Commission for Africa,

Anxious to ensure that the necessary conditions prevail for the smooth running of the OAU Headquarters.

Noting with satisfaction the avowed intention of the present administration of Ethiopia to carry out consultations with a view to establishing a broader-based interim Government pending the conduct of free and fair elections:

1. CALLS ON all the parties in the Ethiopia conflict to exert maximum efforts to ensure the return of durable peace and security through a policy of national reconciliation;
2. URGES the present administration to carry out, as soon as possible, its intended consultations;
3. APPEALS to all the parties concerned to join in working for the preservation of the unity and territorial integrity of Ethiopia;
4. RECOMMENDS to the Assembly of Heads of State and Government to establish a Committee of Heads of State, including the incoming Chairman to assist in achieving the above-mentioned objectives.