RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fifty-ninth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 31 January to 4 February, 1994,

<u>Having considered</u> with keen interest the report of the Secretary-General on the recent events in Southern Africa and the information given to the Council by the Representative of the Government of Angola on the prevailing situation in the country,

Considering the relevant Declaration on Angola adopted by the Assembly of OAU Heads of States and Government held in Cairo, Egypt, in July 1993, the Communique issued by the Central Organ of the OAU Mechanism for Conflict Prevention, Management and Resolution, on 7/12/93 and that of the Frontline States Summit held in Harare, Zimbabwe, on 20/12/1993,

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the OAU Council of Ministers and the Assembly of Heads of State and Government as well as the outcome of the deliberations of the OAU Ad-Hoc Committee on Southern Africa,

Recalling also the relevant Resolutions 804, 811, 834, 851 and particularly Resolution 864/93 of the UN Security Council on Angola,

Expressing once again its concern over the serious political and military situation prevailing in Angola as a result of the on-going hostile actions by the military wing of **UNITA**,

<u>Deeply concerned</u> over the tragic and inhuman situation that continues to characterize the living conditions of the Angolan people:

- STRONGLY CONDEMNS UNITA for its continued military action and CALLS UPON it to put an immediate end to such actions and lift the siege on the cities of Malange, Kuito and other areas of the country to allow free movement of people and distribution of humanitarian aid by the WFP and NGO's;
- 2. **TAKES NOTE** of the resumption of the negotiations between the Angolan Government and UNITA and **CALLS UPON** the latter to seriously commit itself to the negotiations in order to reach an agreement which would bring an end to the tragedy of the Angolan people;
- CONGRATULATES once more the Government of the Republic of Angola on the responsible position it has taken through its constant readiness to maintain dialogue with UNITA with a view to finding a political solution to the conflict;
- 4. **EXPRESSES ITS DEEP GRATITUDE** to the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General, Mr. Alioune Blondin Beye, for his commendable mediation efforts and **COMMENDS** the Troika of Observers for their

- contribution to the harmonization of positions in a bid to resolve the Angolan conflict;
- 5. **REITERATES** its urgent appeal to Member States of the International Community to continue to provide humanitarian aid to Angola;
- 6. **CALLS UPON** all OAU Member States and the International Community as a whole to lend material, technical and financial support to the Government of Angola in the management of the peace process, particularly in the reintegration of demobilized soldiers and displaced persons into the society, and for the National reconstruction of the post-war Angola;
- 7. **REAFFIRMS** the imperative need for all countries to contribute positively to establishing lasting peace in Angola, and scrupulously respect the sovereignty of the State of Angola, namely, the inviolability of its territory and non-interference in its internal affairs, and to refrain from encouraging the movement and activities of UNITA rebels by providing them with other facilities;
- 8. **REQUESTS** the OAU Secretary-General to continue to monitor the situation in Angola and mobilise the international community so that it may become more involved in finding urgent solution to the Angolan conflict, which is the protracted conflict on the Continent.