## RESOLUTION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN AFRICAN NUCLEAR FREE ZONE TREATY

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Sixtieth Ordinary Session in Tunis, Tunisia, from 6 to 11 June, 1994,

**Recalling** resolution AHG/Res.11 (1) on the De-nuclearization of Africa adopted by the OAU Assembly of Heads of State and Government in Cairo in 1964,

**Reaffirming** its previous resolutions CM/Res.3 (1), CM/Res.28 (11), CM/Res.718 (XXXIII), CM/Res.1101 (XLVI) Rev.1, CM/Res. 1342 (LIV) and CM/Res.1395 (LVI) on general disarmament and denuclearization of Africa,

Bearing in mind the relevant resolutions of the United Nations on the issue, particularly resolution 48/86 of 16 December, 1993 on the Establishment of a Nuclear Weapon Free Zone in Africa,

<u>Convinced</u> that the development in the regional and international situation is conducive to the implementation of the 1964 Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa as soon as possible,

<u>Taking into account</u> the fact that a draft text of an African Nuclear Weapon Free Zone Treaty has been submitted to the Secretary-General by the UN Group of Experts,

**Bearing in mind** the relevant parts on the issue of the Denuclearization of Africa in the Introduction of the Report of the Secretary-General (CM/1825 (LX) Part I, paragraphs 121 - 125):

- 1. **TAKES NOTE** of the relevant paragraphs in the introductory note of the Secretary-General on the question of the denuclearization of Africa;
- 2. **DECIDES** to refer the draft text of an African NWFZ Treaty, along with a relevant map of the proposed zone, to Member States by the end of November 1994 for comments and observations which should be submitted:
- 3. **DECIDES** through an appropriate resolution at the 49th Session of the UN General Assembly to request the Secretary-General of the UN to defer the submission of the test of a treaty establishing an African Nuclear Weapons Free Zone to the 50th Session of the General Assembly;
- 4. **EXPRESSES APPRECIATION** to the United Nations for the technical support and financial assistance rendered in organizing the five meetings of the Group of Experts set up jointly by the OAU and the UN; and **APPEALS** to the United Nations to provide assistance for the organization of the joint meeting mentioned in paragraph 5 below:
- 5. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to convene in December 1994 in the first instance a meeting of the OAU Inter-Governmental Group of Experts established by resolution CM/Res.1342 (LIV) and in consultation with the

UN Secretary-General a joint meeting of the OAU/UN groups of Experts. The two groups are requested to study the draft text of an African NWF2 Treaty together with the comments and observations of OAU Member States, with a view to submitting a final text of the 62nd Ordinary Session of the Council.