

RESOLUTION ON THE COMORO ISLAND OF MAY OTTE

The Council of Ministers of the organization of African Unity meeting in its Thirty-third Ordinary Session in Monrovia, Liberia, from 6 to 20 July 1979;

Recalling Resolution CM/Res. 678 (XXXI) on the problem of the Comoro Island of Mayotte;

Having examined the report of the Secretary-General contained in Document CM/974 (XXXIII);

Having heard the statement of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros on the development of the situation of the Comoro Island of Mayotte;

Reaffirming that the Island of Mayotte is an integral part of the Comoros and the need for the French Government to comply in this matter with the OAU and UN Recommendations requesting it to hold discussions with the Comorian Government with a view to finding a solution to this problem in accordance with the OAU and UN Resolutions;

Having taken note of the desire of the Heads of State of Comoro and France to comply with the OAU and UN recommendations requesting them to discuss the problem of the Comoro Island of Mayotte with a view to finding a suitable solution;

Having taken note of the initiative taken by the Government of the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros, to create an atmosphere congenial to dialogue and opening of negotiations between the parties concerned;

Having taken note of the desire of the government of the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoro to see the OAU Committee of 7 continue the mission entrusted to it by the Twenty-seventh Session of our Council, to study and formulate, under the auspices of the OAU Secretary-General all strategies measure likely to help solve quickly the problem of the Comoro Islands of Mayotte;

1. **REAFFIRMS** its solidarity with the people of Comoro in its determination to defend its political unity, national sovereignty and territorial integrity;
2. **CALLS UPON** the Government of the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros to accelerate, in collaboration with the OAU Committee of 7, the process aimed at opening and ensuring the success of negotiations on the settlement of the problem of the Comoro Island of Mayotte;
3. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to follow the development of events in the Comoros and to keep the current Chairman of the OAU informed of any new developments for necessary measures so be taken until the final settlement of this matter in the interest of the Comoro people;
4. **FINALLY REQUESTS** the OAU Secretary-General, to submit a report on the development of the problem to the next Council of Ministers.