

DENUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA

The Council of Minister meeting in its Third Ordinary Session in Cairo, U.A.R., from 13 to 17 July 1964,

Recalling the resolution on General Disarmament adopted by the Conference of Heads of State and Government in Addis Ababa in May 1963,

Having considered the Draft Convention for the Denuclearization of the continent of Africa submitted by the Provisional Secretariat in Document CM/3,

Recommends the following Declaration on Denuclearization of Africa to the First Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government for adoption:

We, the Heads of African State and Government,

CONSCIOUS of our responsibilities towards our peoples and our obligations under the Charter of the United Nations and the Charter of the Organization of African Unity to exert every effort to strengthen international peace and security,

DETERMINED that conditions conducive to international peace and security should prevail to save mankind from the scourge of nuclear war,

DEEPLY CONCERNED with the effects resulting from the dissemination of nuclear weapons,

CONFIRMING resolution 1652 (XVI) of the General Assembly of the United Nations which called upon all States to respect the Continent of African as a nuclear-free zone,

REAFFIRMING the resolution on General Disarmament adopted by the Conference of Heads of State and Government in Addis Ababa in May 1963,

BEARING IN MIND that the General Assembly of the United Nations in its Sixteenth Session called upon all States, and in particular upon the States at present

possessing nuclear weapons, to use their best endeavors to secure the conclusion of an international agreement containing provisions under which the nuclear States would undertake to refrain from relinquishing control of nuclear weapons and from transmitting the information necessary for their manufacture to States not possessing such weapons, and (containing) provisions under which States not possessing nuclear weapons would undertake not to manufacture or otherwise acquire control of such weapons,

CONVINCED that it is imperative to exert new efforts towards the achievement of an early solution to the problem of general disarmament,

1. **SOLEMNL Y DECLARE** their readiness to undertake in an International Treaty to be concluded under the auspices of the United Nations not to manufacture or acquire control of nuclear weapons;
2. **CALL UPON** all peace-loving nations to adhere to the same undertaking;
3. **CALL UPON** all nuclear powers to respect and abide by this Declaration;
4. **INVITE** the General Assembly of the United Nations, in its 19th Regular Session, to approve this Declaration and take the necessary measures to convene and International Conference with a view to concluding an international treaty”