CM/Res.817 (XXXV)

RESOLUTION ON SANCTIONS\*

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of Africa Unity meeting in its Thirty- fifth Ordinary Session in Freetown, Sierra Leone, from 18 to 28 June, 1980,

Having examined the informative report submitted by the Secretary-General and the OAU Standing Committee on Sanctions against the Racist Apartheid Regime of South Africa, particularly Docs. CM/1042 (XXXV), CM/1043 (XXXV), CM/1046

(XXXV) Rev.1,

Having heard statements of various delegations on sanctions against the said racist regime,

Convinced of the fact that South Africa’s economic structure as well as its machinery of repression and aggression are to a large extent dependent on the continued supply of oil,

Highly appreciating the decision made by the OPEC Member State to respect the Oil Embargo Against the Racist and Apartheid Regime of South Africa,

Highly appreciating the vote of the Dutch Parliament in favor of International Oil Embargo Against South Africa,

Recalling provisions of the Council Res.734 (XXXIII) Rev.2 in particular operative paragraphs 7, 9, 15,

Mindful of the negative role played by some oil companies which undermine the oil embargo by engaging in secret arrangements to supply South Africa without the knowledge and approval of the oil exporting countries:

\* Reservation expressed by Botswana, Lesotho and Malawi.

1. **REAFFIRMS its commitment to the imposition of oil embargo against South Africa;**
2. **CALLS UPON Member States to take all necessary actions to enforce the existing oil embargo, and in particular to impose deterrent penalties against companies involved in defying the embargo;**
3. **RECOMMENDS that the OAU Standing Committee on Sanctions strengthen its contact with anti-apartheid groups with a view to intensifying the international campaign for comprehensive sanction against South Africa;**
4. **REQUESTS the OAU Standing Committee on Sanctions to consult with all oil exporting countries with a view to develop with them such concrete measures to monitor the activities of the oil companies doing business with them, in order to impose individual and collective penalties on those companies that violate the embargo and supply their oil to South Africa;**
5. **CALLS UPON Member States to provide the OAU General Secretariat with information on their implementation of Sanctions against the Racist Regime of South Africa;**
6. **APPEALS to all Member States to take cognizance of the geographical and economic positions of Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland and the possible implications of an oil embargo on the economies of these countries, and to render all necessary economic and financial assistance to these countries to alleviate any hardships that may ensue;**
7. **REQUESTS as a matter of urgency the OAU Standing Committee on Sanctions, in collaboration with the OAU Committee of Nineteen on Assistance to the Frontline States, the United Nations Special Committee Against Apartheid, the Boycott Bureau of the League of Arab States, the Anti-Apartheid Movement and other Experts on Sanctions, to convene a meeting with all affected OAU Member States in Southern Africa to study**

the effects on these states of a total oil embargo and other forms of sanctions against the racist regime of South Africa and recommend remedial measures; particularly the possibility of establishing an oil reservoir which shall be made available to them;

1. **APPEALS to all Member States of the OAU to launch a concerted diplomatic offensive directed at countries and oil companies with a view to further isolate the racist regime of South Africa, and to intensify an international campaign for comprehensive embargo against South Africa;**
2. **ENCOURAGES the independent States of Southern Africa, members of the OAU in their recent efforts to forge new economic relations among themselves and to lay the foundations for a collective independent and self sustaining economies;**
3. **DECIDES that a Ministerial delegation of the OAU go to New York to participate in the Security Council scheduled for September 30, 1980 and oil and other forms of sanctions against South Africa;**
4. **MANDATES THAT, that delegation be composed for the Foreign Ministers of Sierra Leone, Algeria, Nigeria and Angola.**