CM/Res.859 (XXXVII) DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE COMORIAN ISLAND OF MAYOTTE

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Thirty- seventh Ordinary Session in Nairobi, Kenya from 15 to 26 June, 1981,

Taking note of the Report of the Secretary-General on the question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte contained in Document CM/1120 (XXXVII) Part II Rev.1,

Recalling the resolutions adopted on the question at its previous meetings, particularly at its Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-ninth, Thirty-first, Thirty-third and Thirty-fifth Ordinary Sessions,

Taking note of the negotiations already held between Governments of France and the Comoros with a view to finding quickly a satisfactory solution to this problem,

Bearing in mind the stand adopted by some French political parties which from the start opposed the separation of Mayotte from the Comoros:

1. **REAFFIRMS the sovereignty of the Federal Islamic Republic of the Comoros on the Island of Mayotte;**
2. **ENCOURAGES the governments of France and the Comoros to continue with the negotiations in order to accelerate the return of the Island of Mayotte to the Comoros;**
3. **CALLS UPON the OAU Committee of 7 which could not meet before this session as requested by Resolution CM/Res.780 (XXXV) to meet in Moroni before the Thirty-eighth Ordinary Session of the OAU Council of Ministers, in order to study the situation and recommend, in collaboration with the government of the Comoros, appropriate measures likely to speed up peaceful settlement of this question;**
4. **DECIDES to include the question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte in the provisional agenda of the Thirty-ninth Ordinary Session of the OAU Council of Ministers;**
5. **REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General to report on the issue to the Thirty– ninth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers.**