## **RESOLUTION ON NAMIBIA**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fifty-first Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 19 –24 February 1990,

<u>Having considered</u> the reports of the Secretary-General and the Coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa,

<u>Having further</u> been briefed by the SWAPO Representative on the current situation in Namibia,

<u>Having reviewed</u> the various phases of the implementation process of the Independence plan for Namibia as stipulated in the Security Council Resolution 435 (1978),

<u>Having also considered</u> the results of the elections that were held in Namibia and which, in spite of the manoeuvres of South Africa, gave victory to the Namibian people,

<u>Noting with satisfaction</u> the adoption of the Constitution and that 21<sup>st</sup> March 1990, has been set as the date for the independence of Namibia,

Bearing in mind the need to ensure a total and complete independence that would safeguard the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Namibia:

- 1. TAKES NOTE WITH APPRECIATION the Report of the Secretary-General On the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 435 (1978);
- 2. WELCOMES the successful conclusion of Namibia's electoral process and Congratulates SWAPO for its electoral victory that is a triumph for the People of Namibia in their struggle against colonialism and apartheid;
- 3. FURTHER WELCOMES WITH SATISFACTION the adoption of the Constitution by the Constituent Assembly and the setting of 21<sup>st</sup> March 1990, as the date for Namibia's independence, which is a victory not only for the struggling people of that territory but also for independent Africa and all freedom and peace-loving peoples of the World;
- 4. COMMENDS the role of the United Nations in Namibia's independence Process as well as the International Community as a whole for their commitment and firm support;

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- 5. APPEALS to the United Nations and the International Community to prevail on the Government of South Africa not to interfere in the internal affairs of Namibia and to respect its political institutions, national sovereignty and territorial integrity;
- 6. REAFFIRMS the territorial integrity of Namibia, which includes Walvis Bay And the Islands of mainland Namibia, and that its Southern border shall extend into the Orange River;
- 7. COMMENDS SWAPO for its policy of national unity and reconciliation which are essential for the peace, stability and prosperity of Namibia;
- 8. CALLS UPON the International Community and all freedom loving peoples to continue to monitor closely Namibia's independence process, and to extend all necessary assistance to the People of Namibia to consolidate their independence;
- CALLS UPON the United Nations Secretary-General to ensure that the racist Pretoria regime accounts fully for and releases all Namibian political prisoners or detainees still in its prisons;
- 10. APPEALS to the International Community to extend all necessary assistance to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) to facilitate repatriation, resettlement and rehabilitation of Namibian refugees and returnees;
- 11. CALLS UPON the International Community to extend all necessary assistance to the new State of Namibia, including mobilizing international support for projects and programs aimed at reconstruction, rehabilitation and development of its economy for the benefit of the Namibian people.