

**DECISION ON DEVELOPMENTS IN ZIMBABWE**

Council:

1. RECALLS AND REAFFIRMS its statement issued in Tripoli on 2 June 2000 concerning developments in Zimbabwe, in particular those related to the resolution of the land question in that country;
2. WELCOMES the reports given by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Zimbabwe and the Secretary-General of the OAU on the holding of democratic elections in Zimbabwe from 24-25 June 2000;
3. EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION to the OAU Observer Team to those elections for its commendable work;
4. REGARDS the outcome, including the massive turnout of the voters, as a true, democratic reflection of the will of the people of Zimbabwe;
5. COMMENDS all the people of Zimbabwe for the peaceful and orderly manner in which they exercised their democratic right in the elections;
6. DEPLORES the attempts by some foreign interests, through the massive injection of resources and manipulation of the media, to interfere in and influence the outcome of the elections, as a threat to national independence;
7. CONSIDERS that the resolution of the land question is central to the long-term stability and development of Zimbabwe and underlines the special responsibility of the United Kingdom in this regard;
8. CALLS UPON the United Kingdom to honour its obligations in accordance with the Lancaster House Agreement to provide the financial resources necessary for the resolution of the land question in Zimbabwe for the benefit of all stakeholders and in the interest of peace, justice and equality.
9. WELCOMES and ENCOURAGES the efforts of those countries seeking to promote dialogue and achieve agreement between Zimbabwe and the United Kingdom on the land issue.