DECISION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMITTEE OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT ON THE QUESTION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA

The OAU Assembly of Heads of State and Government, meeting in its Twenty-second Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa,

Having heard the report of the outgoing Chairman,

Gravely concern about the dangerous situation prevailing in Southern African and especially in South Africa where violence continues to spread, instigated and sustained by the abominable regime of Apartheid, and unfortunately encouraged in its blind obstinacy by the support received from some western powers,

Determined to pursue its search for solutions most likely to create the best conditions for elimination of Apartheid, the greatest challenge currently facing Africa, so as to create a society that would be democratic, egalitarian and non-racial in South Africa and to hasten the independence of Namibia:

1. DECIDES to establish to this end, in the form of a flexible structure, and Ad-Hoc Standing Committee of Heads of State and Government on the Question of Southern Africa, chaired by the OAU Current Chairman and comprising all the Heads of State and Government of the Frontline States and Nigeria, the outgoing Chairman of the Liberation Movements as well as Algeria, Ethiopia, Cape Verde and Congo;

2. MANDATES the Committee to monitor constantly the situation in Southern Africa and hold the necessary consultations, reflections and take initiatives necessary for the identification and co-ordination of ideas and the actions to be taken in order to speed up the elimination of Apartheid and the independence of Namibia in accordance with Resolution 435 (1978) of the United Nations Security Council;
3. REQUESTS the Current Chairman to report on the activities of the Standing Committee to the Assembly of Heads of State and Government.