RESOLUTION ON ZIMBABWE

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government meeting in its Fourteenth Ordinary Session of Libreville, Gabon, from 2 to 5 July 1977,

Having taken note of the report of the Administrative Secretary-General on the liberation struggle in Zimbabwe;

Recalling the decision taken by the Front Line states on 9 January 1977 in Lusaka to grant the Zimbabwe Patriotic Front political, diplomatic and material assistance;

Considering the recommendation of the Twenty-Eighth Session of the OAU Coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa recognizing the Patriotic Front;

Conscious to the fact that the Twenty-Eighth Session of the Council of Ministers had decided to submit the recommendation of the Twenty-Eighth Session of the Liberation Committee to the Fourteenth Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government;

Having noted that the additional information supplied by the Twenty-Ninth Session of the coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa, gave further weight to the argument advanced by the Council of Ministers;

Expressing appreciation for the clear statement made by the President of the Republic of Zambia, Dr. Kenneth D. KUANDA on behalf of other Front Line States on the political and military development of the Zimbabwe liberation struggle;

1. NOTES WITH SATISFACTION the victorious pursuit of the armed struggle in Zimbabwe, being waged by the Zimbabwe army under the Leadership of the Patriotic Front;

2. CALLS UPON all sons of Zimbabwe engaged in their country’s liberation struggle to fight within the ranks of the Patriotic Front, and urges the Heads of the Front Line States to assist them;
3. URGES all Member States to refrain from supporting individuals, thus running the risk of forming more than one army for the liberation and defence of an independent Zimbabwe;

4. DECIDES to adopt the recommendation of the Twenty-Eighth Session of the OAU Coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa on the question of Zimbabwe;

5. REQUESTS all Member States to increase their financial, material and political assistance to the people of Zimbabwe to enable it retrieve its rights for self-determination and independence.