also requests the Secretary General to present the outcome of the consultations to
the 75th Ordinary Session of Council for consideration.

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DECISION ON SIERRA LEONE

Council:

1. WELCOMES the signing in Abuja, Nigeria, on 10 November 2000, of a Ceasefire
Agreement between the Government of Sierra Leone and the Revolutionary United Front
(RUF) under the aegis of ECOWAS and URGES the RUF to honour its commitments under
the Agreement;

2. FURTHER WELCOMES the opening of highways in the rebel controlled areas and
CALLS UPON the RUF to disarm in order to facilitate the full deployment of UNAMSIL
throughout the territory of Sierra Leone. In this regard, Council APPEALS to countries to
contribute troops to enable UNAMSIL to attain its full complement of UNAMSIL;

3. EXPRESSES support for the work of the UN Committee on the ban of the illegal trade in
diamonds from Sierra Leone;

4. REAFFIRMS that the Lome Peace Agreement of 7 July 1999 continues to remain the most
viable framework for the restoration of lasting peace in Sierra Leone;

5. REQUESTS the Secretary General and his Special Envoy to continue to follow closely the
situation in Sierra Leone and to report to Council regularly;

6. REAFFIRMS its support for the efforts deployed by ECOWAS to find a peaceful and
lasting solution to the conflict in Sierra Leone and ENCOURAGES the Secretary General to
continue to work closely with ECOWAS.