DECISION ON THE SITUATION IN LIBERIA

Council:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report;

2. **CONDEMNS** all attempts to seize power by force in Liberia;

3. **CALLS ON** all States in the region to cease support for armed groups from neighbouring countries and prevent armed groups from using their territories to prepare and stage attacks on neighbouring countries;

4. **URGES** all the parties to the conflict in Liberia to urgently engage in a process of dialogue and reconciliation;

5. **ENCOURAGES** ECOWAS, working together with the OAU and other members of the International Community, to persevere in current efforts to launch that process of dialogue between the parties;

6. **COMMENDS** the leaders of the Mano River Union for the progress achieved so far in implementing the decisions of the Mano River Union summit of 27 February 2002, at Rabat, Morocco;

7. **CALLS ON** the United Nations Security Council to lift the sanctions imposed by it on Liberia, in the light of their grave socio-economic impact on the populace;

8. **EXPRESSIONS** concern at the grave humanitarian situation obtaining in Liberia and the neighbouring countries as a consequence of the fighting in that country and **CALLS** on OAU Member States and the International Community, as a whole, to provide the required assistance to the affected population;

9. **REQUESTS** the Secretary General to continue with the initiatives and consultations that are aimed at contributing to the efforts to bring peace to Liberia.