DECISION ON THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA

Council:

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

2. **WELCOMES** the Signing in April 2002 by the respective military Chiefs of the Angola Armed Forces and UNITA troops, of a Memorandum of Understanding supplementary to the Lusaka Protocol for the Cessation of Hostilities and the Resolution of Pending Military Issues under the Lusaka Protocol, as well as progress made in the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding;

3. **ALSO WELCOMES** the commitment of the Angolan Government to a lasting peace and reconciliation in the country in accordance with the Lusaka Protocol. In this connection, Council **NOTES WITH SATISFACTION** the communiqué issued on 13 March 2002 by the Angolan Government, in which it announced the measures it intends to take within the context of the peace process;

4. **UNDERSCORES** the need to maintain the sanctions against UNITA until the peace process is consolidated. To this end, Council **WELCOMES** the decision of the Security Council of 18 April 2002 to extend the mandate of the United Nations Monitoring Mechanism for a further period of six months;

5. **TAKES NOTE** of the report of the OAU Ad-Hoc Committee on the Monitoring of the UN Security Council Sanctions against UNITA as presented by its Chairman, **COMMENDS** the efforts of the Committee and expresses support for the work carried out by the Committee;

6. **SUPPORTS** the initiative of the Angolan Government to embark on public investment programme aimed at mobilizing resources for the post-conflict reconstruction and rehabilitation, as well as for socio-economic development;
7. **APPEALS** to the International Community to continue to contribute to the post-conflict reconstruction efforts and provide Angola with humanitarian assistance including integration of UNITA combatants into the national army or their return to civilian life, demining, as well as rehabilitation of displaced persons and repatriation of refugees. To this end, Council **EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION** of the Angolan Government’s commitment to work closely with the International Community;

8. **REITERATES** the readiness of the OAU/AU to support the efforts of the Angolan people and their leaders for a lasting peace and sustainable development.