RESOLUTION ON THE REFUSAL OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS ON SOUTH AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Forty-fourth Ordinary Session, in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 21st – 26th July 1986,

Recalling the Resolution adopted on South Africa at its Forty-third Ordinary Session,

Reiterating its belief that the source of violence in South Africa and the Southern African sub-continent is the inhuman policy of apartheid,

Considering that President Reagan’s speech is an apologia for this inhuman system of apartheid and represents covert support for racism which the majority of American people have rejected through the call of their representatives for sanctions,

Noting that the speech was made to block the emerging consensus in the US Congress on the imposition of sanctions against South Africa,

Considering that the much publicized July 22 speech of President Reagan of the United States on the situation in South Africa has been universally rejected by the people of South Africa and all peace-loving mankind,

Encouraged by the renewed and vigorous demand by the world community for the imposition of sanctions against the racist, fascist regime of Pretoria,

Further noting with concern that this global demand for sanctions against the racists of Pretoria is being blocked by certain Western countries led principally by the United States and the United Kingdom:
1. STRONGLY AND UNEQUIVOCALLY REJECTS the speech of President Reagan;

2. CONDEMNS the refusal of the United States and British Governments to impose sanctions;

3. APPEALS to the US Congress to speedily impose comprehensive and mandatory sanctions that would bring down the racist regime and avoid a bloodbath;

4. COMMENDS the Governments, non-governmental organizations and individuals particularly in the Western countries responsible for the ever-growing consensus in favor of sanctions against South Africa and CALLS ON them to work towards the effective boycott of South Africa.