RESOLUTION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE DE-NUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fifty-fourth Ordinary Session in Abuja, Federal Republic of Nigeria, from 27 May to 1 June 1991,

Recalling resolution AHG/Res.11 (I) adopted by the Conference of Heads of State and Government in Cairo in 1964, relative to the De-nuclearization of Africa,

Recalling further resolution CM/Res.3 (I) adopted by the First Session of the Council of Ministers,

Reaffirming all resolutions on General Disarmament adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers since the inception of the OAU,

Taking note of Resolution 1652 (XVI) of the General Assembly of the United Nations that called upon all States to respect the Continent of Africa as a nuclear-free zone,

Convinced that the evolution of the international situation is conducive to the implementation of the Declaration on the De-nuclearization of Africa (1964) as well as the relevant provisions of the OAU Declaration on Security, Disarmament and Development (1968),

Having considered the report of the Group of Experts set up jointly by the OAU and the UN which held its first Meeting in Addis Ababa, from 6 – 10 May 1991:

1. DECIDES to set up an inter-governmental group of African experts to study this report in greater detail with a view to examining the modalities and elements for the preparation of a Treaty on the De-nuclearization of Africa;

2. REQUESTS the UN Secretary-General in consultation with the OAU Secretary-General, to convene a second meeting of the Group of Experts Designated by the UN in cooperation with the OAU;

3. DECIDES to convene a joint meeting of the two groups of Experts during the second meeting of the UN/OAU Experts;

4. FURTHER DECIDES to place on the agenda of its Fifty-seventh Ordinary Session the item entitled “Implementation of the Declaration on the De-nuclearization of Africa”.