RESOLUTION ON AN URGENT MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL ON THE SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fifty-sixth Ordinary Session in Dakar, Senegal, from 22 to 28 June 1992,

Recalling its previous resolution on the situation in South Africa,

Gravely concerned by the escalation of violence in South Africa targeted at black communities and, in particular by the recent massacre at Boipatong Township on the night of 17th June 1992; and the subsequent shootings of unarmed protestors by the army and police of the regime,

Emphasizing that it is the responsibility of the South African Government to take all necessary measures to immediately stop the violence and protect life and property of all South Africans,

Considering that the continuation of the present cycle of violence seriously jeopardizes the process of peaceful negotiations and transition toward a democratic non-racial and united South Africa,

Convinced of the need for the international community to investigate the causes of the violence and to adopt the necessary measures for its early end:

1. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the violence unleashed against the people of Boipatong and in other townships;

2. FURTHER CONDEMNS the Government of South Africa for its failure to take effective action to stop the on-going violence and DEMANDS that the Pretoria Government takes immediate necessary measures to that end;

3. DEMANDS a full and open investigation of this and other incidents of violence and the role of the security forces in the perpetration of those incidents. In this regard REITERATES its decision to send an OAU fact-finding mission of experts to South Africa to investigate the violence;

4. CALLS for the urgent convening of a meeting of the UN Security Council to examine the issue of violence in South Africa and to take all appropriate action to put an end to it as well as to create conditions for negotiations leading towards a peaceful transition towards a democratic non-racial and united South Africa;
5. CALLS UPON the African Group at the United Nations to take urgent action in implementation of the request for the Security Council Session;

6. DECIDES to send a ministerial delegation headed by the representative of the OAU Current Chairman to present Africa’s position to the Security Council;

7. INVITES the Secretary-General of the United Nations to follow closely the evolution of the situation and take all necessary measures aimed at achieving the objectives outlined in operative paragraph 4 above;

8. REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General to present a report on this question to the 57th Session of the Council.