DECISION ON THE COMORIAN ISLAND OF MAYOTTE

The Executive Council:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Government of the Union of the Comoros on the situation in the Comorian Island of Mayotte;

2. **RECALLS** all the previous resolutions of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) on the Comorian Island of Mayotte and **RECALLS ALSO** that the Comorian people, at the referendum of 22 December 1974, expressed their will for independence in the political unity and the territorial integrity of the archipelago of the Comoros;

3. **CONSIDERS** that the referendums organized on 8 February 1976 and 11 April 1976 by the former colonial power in the Comorian Island of Mayotte constitute a serious violation of the territorial integrity of the Comoros and **ALSO CONSIDERS** that the inclusion of the Comorian Island of Mayotte in the Constitution of the French Republic is contrary to international law;

4. **CONDEMNS** the organization on 29 March 2009 of a referendum on the departmentalise of the Comorian Island of Mayotte and **DEMANDS** an immediate end to that process;

5. **REAFFIRMS** that the Comorian Island of Mayotte belongs to the Union of the Comoros;

6. **REQUESTS** for the immediate establishment of a dialogue between the Union of the Comoros and France in order to determine together the modalities for the return of Mayotte to the Union of the Comoros;

7. **DECIDES** to reactivate the Ad-Hoc Committee of Seven on the Comorian Island of Mayotte.