RESOLUTION ON THE MAURITANIA/SENEGAL DISPUTE

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, meeting at its Twenty-sixth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 9 to 11 July 1990,

Having heard the report of the outgoing Chairman of the Organization of African Unity, President Hosni Mubarak, on the Mauritania/Senegal dispute,

Considering the basic principles enshrined in the Charter of the Organization of African Unity,

Recalling Resolution CM/1217 (L) on the dispute between Mauritius and Senegal,

Taking note of the sustained efforts exerted by H.E. President Hosni Mubarak, in cooperation with the OAU Committee on Mauritania/Senegal dispute, in order to reach a peaceful and lasting settlement of the dispute,

Noting further that Mauritania and Senegal have expressed the will to pursue their negotiations, with a view to arriving at a peaceful settlement of their dispute, and their confidence in the inter-African Ministerial Committee of the OAU in the laterals mediation efforts;

Noting further the determination of the members of the said Committee to carry out the task assigned to them:

1. APPROVES the report of the outgoing Chairman of the Organization of African Unity;

2. EXPRESSES its satisfaction at the contacts established between Mauritania and Senegal and at their determination to maintain these contact under the auspices of the OAU inter-African Ministerial Committee;
3. REnews the mandate of the African Inter-Ministerial Committee on the Mauritania/Senegal dispute, composed of Egypt, Niger, Nigeria, Togo, Tunisia and Zimbabwe, and chaired by Uganda;

4. APPEALS to the two sides to promote a climate of confidence which will lead, as early as possible, to negotiations on the issues which constitute the core of their dispute;

5. REQUESTS the Current Chairman of the OAU to submit a report on the issues to the Twenty-Seventh Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government.