DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE
COMORIAN ISLAND OF MAYOTTE


Having heard the report of the OAU Ad Hoc Committee of Seven on the Comorian Island of Mayotte, which met in Libreville on 21st May 1986 and the Mission Report of the Ad Hoc Committee’s delegation which met the French Prime Minister on 8th July 1986,

Having considered the reports contained in document CM/1392 (XLIV),

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the Organization of African Unity on the Comorian Island of Mayotte, and particularly CM/Res.1025 (XLIII),

Recalling further the relevant resolutions of the United Nations, the Movement of Non-Aligned countries, Organization of Islamic Conference and the League of Arab States,

Recalling further the Programme of Action recommended by the OAU Ad Hoc Committee of Seven, contained in document CTTEE 7/MAYOTTE Rec. 1-9 (II),

Reiterating the legitimacy of the claims of the Comorian Government for the re-integration of the Comorian Island of Mayotte into the Islamic Federal Republic of Comoros,

Conscious of the insecurity prevailing in the region, owing to the presence of France, a foreign power, and the latter’s control over the Comorian Island, of Mayotte,

Deploring the intransigence of the French Government towards the legitimate claims of the Comorian Government and the relevant resolutions of the OAU, the
1. **REAFFIRMS** the sovereignty of the Islamic Federal Republic of Comoros over the Comorian Island of Mayotte;

2. **FURTHER REAFFIRMS** its solidarity with the Comorian people in their determination to regain their political unity and defend their national sovereignty and territorial integrity;

3. **TAKES NOTE** of the report contained in document CM/1392 (XLIV) as well as the report on the Paris talks contained in the attached document;

4. **APPRECIATES** the resumption of dialogue between the French authorities and the OAU Ad Hoc Committee of Seven in Paris, following the intervention of the OAU Current Chairman, in accordance with the recommendations of our Organization;

5. **APPEALS** to all OAU Member States, individually and collectively to do everything possible, particularly by conducting a campaign, make France return the Comorian Island of Mayotte to the Islamic Federal Republic of Comoros at the soonest;

6. To this end, **CALLS ON** all Member States individually and collectively, to appeal to the different pressure groups in France, in order to inform and alert French and international public opinion to the question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte, with a view to compelling the French Government to put an end to its illegal occupation of the Island;

7. **APPEALS** to all OAU Member States and the international community to categorically condemn and reject any form of referendum that may be initiated by France on the Comorian territory of Mayotte on the international legal status of the Island, since the referendum for self-
determination held on 22nd December 1974 remains the only valid consultation for the entire archipelago;

8. MANDATES the OAU Ad-Hoc Committee of Seven on the Comorian Island of Mayotte and the General Secretariat to continue the efforts already undertaken and maintain the momentum gathered following the meeting with the French authorities, for the return of the Comorian Island of Mayotte to the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros as soon as possible,

9. DEMANDS that the question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte be kept on the agenda of all the meetings of the OAU, the UN, the Non-Aligned countries, the League of Arab States and the Islamic Conference, until the Island of Mayotte is returned to the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros.