

**DECISION ON DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO**

The Assembly:

1. REITERATES its support for the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement in the Democratic Republic of the Congo which constitutes the only negotiated and accepted framework by all the Parties for the solution to the crisis in the DRC;
2. URGES the Parties to strictly implement the Agreement in all its aspects;
3. COMMENDS Sir. Ketumile Masire, Facilitator of the Inter-Congolese Dialogue and the Joint Military Commission (JMC) for the efforts made for the implementation of Lusaka Agreement;
4. REQUESTS the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the other Congolese Parties to co-operate fully with the Facilitator so that the Inter-Congolese dialogue can begin as soon as possible;
5. FURTHER URGES the countries which have troops in the Democratic Republic of the Congo to begin withdrawing them in accordance with the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement;
6. ALSO URGES the United Nations to complete, as soon as possible, the deployment of UN Observers in conformity with UN Security Council Resolution 1291 of 24 April 2000 and to take the necessary measures for the deployment of the Peacekeeping Force in the DRC under the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement;
7. PAYS TRIBUTE to President Frederick Chiluba, Chairman of the Regional Initiative for Peace in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the outgoing OAU Chairman, the other African leaders and the OAU Secretary General for the untiring efforts made for the restoration of peace in the DRC;
8. ENCOURAGES President Frederick Chiluba, in consort with the Current Chairman, the OAU Secretary General and the other Heads of State to pursue his efforts for the implementation of the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement in the Democratic Republic of the Congo;
9. FINALLY URGES the International Community to continue to support the peace process in the DRC and to support the efforts of the Facilitator and the JMC.

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