

DECLARATION ON KENYA-SOMALI RELATIONS

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Fourth Ordinary Session in Kinshasa, Congo, from 11 to 14 September 1967,

Desirous of consolidating the fraternal links that unite us,

Recalling resolution CM/Res. 17 (II) of 29 February 1964,

Recalling further the attempts that have been made by the Governments of Kenya and Somalia at Arusha in December 1965, through the Good Offices of His Excellency President Julius K. Nyerere of the Republic of Tanzania,

Mindful of the new and welcome initiative taken by His Excellency President Kenneth D. Kaunda of the Republic of Zambia in Kinshasa during the Fourth Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government;

Notes with pleasure the joint Declaration mutually and amicably reached between the Governments of Kenya and Somalia, as represented by Vice-President Daniel Arap Moi and Prime Minister Mohamed Ibrahim Egal, respectively, through the Good Offices of the President of Zambia, which reads as follows:-

1. Both Governments have expressed their desire to respect each other's sovereignty and territorial integrity in the spirit of paragraph 3 of Article III of the OAU Charter;
2. The two Governments have further undertaken to resolve any outstanding differences between them in the spirit of paragraph 4 of Article III of the OAU Charter;
3. The two Governments have pledged to ensure maintenance of peace and security on both sides of the border by preventing destruction of human life and property;

4. Furthermore, the two Governments have agreed to refrain from conducting hostile propaganda through mass media such as radio and the press against each other;
5. The two Governments have accepted the kind invitation of President Kaunda to meet in Lusaka, during the later part of October 1967, in order to improve, intensify and consolidate all forms of co-operation;

Resolves to express its sincere gratitude and congratulations to President Kenneth D. Kaunda of Zambia as well as the Governments of Kenya and Somalia for their positive efforts to overcome differences in a fraternal manner,

Requests the Governments of Kenya and Somalia, as parties to the Declaration and the Government of the Republic of Zambia as host and convenor, to submit a progress report on the proposed meeting in Lusaka to the Secretary-General of the OAU.

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