

DECLARATION ON THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

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

Having discussed the situation in the Middle East and Palestine, views with deep concern the dangers threatening the future of peace and security in the region and the escalation of tension which leads the region to the verge of war as a result of Israel's intransigence and the continued occupation of the Palestinian and Arab territories.

The Assembly followed with grave concern the Developments resulting from the Israeli expansionist settlement policy in the process of transfer of Soviet Jews to occupied Palestinian and other Arab occupied territories.

The Assembly considered the process of transfer of Soviet Jews and their illegal settlement in these occupied territories and the measures accompanying it as a prelude to the deportation of the Palestinian people from their homeland, and the confiscation of their properties to accommodate the newly coming Soviet Jews,

The Assembly calls upon the State concerned in this transfer of population in particular, and the International Community in general to put an urgent end to this dangerous process and calls for the guarantee of the Palestinian people's national rights.

Furthermore the Assembly calls upon the USA to resume the dialogue with the Palestinian Liberation Organisation in order to achieve serious progress in the peace process in the Middle East, and reaffirms the necessity of convening the International Conference for Peace under the UN with the participation of all concerned parties including the PLO on equal footing.

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