

RESOLUTION ON THE COMORIAN ISLAND OF MAYOTTE

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Twenty-seventh Ordinary Session in Abuja, Federal Republic of Nigeria, from 3 to 5 June, 1991,

Considering the report of the Chairman of the OAU Ad-Hoc Committee of Seven on the Comorian Island of Mayotte, (CM/1660 (LIV) PART 1,

Bearing in mind resolution CM/Res. 496 (XXVII) establishing the OAU Ad-Hoc Committee of Seven on the Comorian Island of Mayotte,

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the OAU on the Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte particularly resolution AHG/Res. 193 (XXVI),

Recalling further the relevant resolutions and recommendations of the United Nations, the Non-Aligned Movement, the Islamic Conference and the League of Arab States, on the Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte,

Considering the fundamental principles of the Charter of the Organization of African Unity relating to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Member States,

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

Recalling the Programme of Action Recommended by the OAU Ad Hoc Committee of Seven contained in Doc. Cttee 7/Mayotte/Rec. 1-9 (II) adopted in Moroni in November 1981:

1. TAKES NOTE of the report of the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of Seven on the Comorian Island of Mayotte;
2. REAFFIRMS the sovereignty of the Federal Islamic Republic of the Comoros over the Island of Mayotte,

- 3. REAFFIRMS ITS SOLIDARITY** with the people of Comoros in their determination to recover the political integrity of their country to defend its sovereignty and its territorial integrity;
- 4. LAUNCHES AN APPEAL** to the French Government to meet the legitimate demands of the Government of the Comoros in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the OAU, the UN , the Non-Aligned Movement, the Islamic Conference and the League of Arab States;
- 5. CALLS UPON OAU Member States** to do everything possible individually and collectively to alert the French and international public opinion to the question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte and to compel the French Government to put an end to the occupation of Mayotte;
- 6. APPEALS** to all OAU Member States and the international community to condemn and reject outright any form of talks which could be organized by France in the Comorian Island of Mayotte on the legal international status of the Island since the referendum on self-determination held on 22 December, 1974 remains the only valid consultation on the Archipelago;
- 7. FURTHER APPEALS** to all OAU Member States and the international community to condemn any initiative by France to make the Comorian Island of Mayotte participate in any event as a separate identity from the Federal Islamic Republic of the Comoros;
- 8. MANDATES** the OAU Ad Hoc Committee of Seven on the Comorian Island of Mayotte and the General Secretariat to resume dialogue with the French Authorities in their continued effort to ensure the return of the Comorian Island of Mayotte to the Islamic Federal Republic of the Comoros as soon as possible;
- 9. REQUESTS** that the Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte be maintained on the agenda of all the meetings of the OAU, the UN, the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, the Islamic Conference and the League

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**of Arab States until the Comorian Island of Mayotte in re-integrated into the
Federal Islamic of the Comoros;**

**10. FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the OAU to monitor the
developments on the issue and to submit a report thereon to the next Session
of the Council of Ministers.**

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