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Please read:

Page 9 of document CM/875(XXXI) Part II Paragraphs :  
33,34 (a), (b), (c) and (d) as follow:

THE ETHIOPIA-SOMALIA DISPUTE

The Ethiopia-Somalia Good Offices Committee set up in Libreville, Gabon from 5 to 8 August 1977 in accordance with the decision of the Fourteenth Assembly of Heads of State and Government.

"Somalia walked out of the meeting and consequently did not participate in the deliberations of the Good Offices Committee as she contended that the procedure adopted by the Committee was ab initio unacceptable as, in her view, the Committee failed to address itself to what Somalia regarded as the core of the problems.

"On the basis of her non-participation in the deliberations of the Committee Somalia argued that she has no obligation to heed the recommendations of the Committee.

"The Committee, having discussed the situation prevailing in the Horn of Africa at length, adopted a relevant recommendation. This recommendation is hereunder quoted in extenso:

(1) The Ethiopian-Somalia Good Offices Committee meeting in Libreville, Gabon, from 5 to 8 August 1977,

Having heard the statements made by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Somali Democratic Republic and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Provisional Military Government of Socialist Ethiopia;

Recalling the various OAU resolutions of intra-African disputes and in particular resolution AHG/Res.16(1) which among other things solemnly declares that all Member States pledge themselves to respect the borders existing on their achievement of national independence;

Recalling further OAU resolution AHG/Res.27(II) which among other things solemnly commits OAU Member States not to tolerate, in conformity with Article 3, paragraph 5 of the Charter, any subversion originating in their countries against another Member State of the OAU;

Taking into consideration the statements made by the two delegations, and in the light of the very serious situation obtaining between Ethiopia and Somalia ;

1. REAFFIRMS Resolution AHG/Res.16(1) and the resolution AHG/Res.27(II) which bind Member States in accordance with the Charter of the OAU to respect the borders existing at independence as well as adherence to the cardinal principles of holding inviolate the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Member States;

2. APPEALS to the parties to the conflict, Ethiopia and Somalia, in conformity with the aims and purposes of the Charter and the relevant decisions of the OAU, to cease all acts of hostility;
3. REAFFIRMS the opposition of the OAU to the interference of all foreign powers and in particular that of extra-African powers in the internal affairs of OAU Member States and urges all OAU Member States to repudiate such unwarranted interference in accordance with the decision of the 14th Assembly of Heads of State and Government;
4. APPEALS to all States to refrain from taking any action that could be detrimental to the achievement of understanding between the parties to the conflict or exacerbate the tension and conflict threatening peace and security and the territorial integrity of the two neighbouring States;
5. RECOMMENDS, in view of the urgency and gravity of the situation, that the current Chairman of the OAU Good Offices Committee undertake contacts with the Heads of State of Ethiopia and Somalia with a view to effecting a cessation of hostilities and creating the atmosphere conducive to the peaceful solution of the problem.

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