RESOLUTION ON THE AFRICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES'RIGHT

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in its Twenty-fourth Ordinary Session, from 25 to 28 May 1988,

<u>Having taken cognizance</u> of the Activity Report of the African Commission on Human and People's Rights (AHG/155 (XXIV),

<u>Having heard</u> the detailed introductory statement of Mr. Isaac Nguema, chairman of the Commission,

<u>Reaffirming</u> its commitment to freedom and human and peoples' rights as contained in the declarations, conventions and other instruments adopted by the Organization of African Unity, the Non-Aligned Movement and the United Nations Organization:

- 1. DECLARES ONCE AGAIN, on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the Organization of African Unity, its duty and determination to ensure the promotion and protection of human and peoples' rights in Africa;
- 2. STRONGLY URGES Member States that have not yet ratified the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights adopted in Nairobi by the Eighteenth Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government (June 1981), to do so as soon as possible;
- 3. ADOPTS the report of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights;
- 4. APPROVES the Rules of Procedure of the Commission;
- 5. ENDORSES the recommendations of the Commission relating to:
 - a) the Headquarters of the Commission;

- b) the financial rules governing the function of the Commission;
- c) periodic reports;
- 6. COMMENDS the Chairman and Members of the Commission for the excellent work done in so short a time;
- 7. NOTES WITH SATISFACTION the determination of the Chairman and the Members of the Commission to work towards the achievement of the objectives of their Commission;
- 8. EXPRESSES its great satisfaction to President Kenneth Kaunda and the OAU Secretary General for the measures they had taken in order to facilitate the creation and launching of the activities of the Commission.

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