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In keeping with the instructions of Heads of State and Government on the one hand and that of the Council of Ministers on the other, the Administrative Secretary-General has executed the following Resolutions :

ON POLITICAL MATTERS

I. Apartheid and Racial Discrimination in South Africa

CM/Res.31(III) - AHG/Res.5(I) - AHG/Res.6(I) - CM/Res.48(IV)

In conformity with the above mentioned Resolutions, a Bureau of Sanctions was established with a view to co-operate more closely with the Special Committee of the United Nations in charge of the question of Apartheid, and with other anti-Apartheid Organizations with which it often has relations.

At present the Bureau of Sanctions is studying what necessary steps it should adopt with regards to foreign powers who are still sending arms to South Africa despite United Nations Resolutions on this question.

The Bureau of Sanctions has, equally sent circulars and a list of questions to all Member States of the Organization of African Unity asking them to communicate to it, the steps they had already taken to implement these Resolutions of the Organization.

II. Countries that are still under Portuguese Colonial Domination

The Administrative Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity has closely followed the continual evolution of these territories still under Portuguese colonial domination.

The Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Liberia, Madagascar, Sierra-Leone and Tunisia have also been asked to co-operate with the African Group at the U.N.O. in studying what action should be proposed to the Security Council on this question.

### III. Southern Rhodesia

CM/Res.38(III) - AHG/Res.8(I) - CM/Res.50(IV)

The Administrative Secretary-General has attentively followed the evolution of the explosive situation in Southern Rhodesia and has at the last Extraordinary Session of the Council of Ministers held in Lagos in June 1965, submitted the most recent informations on this issue.

In keeping with the Lagos Resolution - CM/Res.9 of 13th June 1965, Six East African countries met in Nairobi from 20th - 21st July to study in minute details the situation in Southern Rhodesia and the possibility of reconciling the two Nationalist Movements ZAPU and ZANU to form a common front in their struggle. A committee made up of Kenya, Tanzania and Zambia was formed to continue to look into the possibility of reconciliation and to submit a report at the next Session of the Council of Ministers.

On its own part, the Liberation Committee has made attempts at achieving the unity of the Rhodesian National Movement.

### IV. The African Liberation Committee

AHG/Res.18(I) - CM/Res.5(IV)

The Military Commission of inquiry composed of Cameroon, Mauritania and Sierra-Leone which was given a mandate to find out which of the liberation movements was participating more efficiently in the fight for liberating Portuguese Guinea, went to Guinea and Senegal. Its report has been submitted to the Council.

The Committee of Three composed of United Arab Republic, Ghana and Congo (Brazzaville) and whose mission was to reconcile GRAE and MPLA into forming a common front in their struggle, should be meeting before this Session of the Council of Ministers.

### V. The Refugees question

CM/Res.36(III) and CM/Res.52(IV)

In enforcing these resolutions, the Administrative Secretary-General summoned to Leopoldville, on 7th July, the Committee of Experts appointed by the Member States of the Special Commission for Refugee problems.

The Committee studied the first draft convention, noting the comments and observations of Member States and elaborated on the Second draft convention. On this occasion, United Nation's High Commissioner responsible for Refugee problems, was invited to take part in the meeting of the Committee of Legal Experts.

VII. The Algerian-Moroccan frontier dispute

CM/Res.1(I) - CM/Res.53(IV)

The last Session of the Special Commission for the solving of the frontier conflict between Algeria and Morocco, was at the request of Algeria postponed to a date after the Conference of Heads of State and Government.

The African Group at the United Nations

CM/Res.8(I) - CM/Res.54(IV)

In accordance with Resolution CM/54(IV), the African Group at the United Nations should have met to draw up a plan on its internal regulations. Uptill now, no copy of this plan has been sent to the Secretariat.

VIII. African Representation at the United Nations

CM/Res.41(III) - AHG/Res.13(I) - CM/Res.55(IV)

On the 10th of July 1965, the Administrative Secretary-General sent letters to the Government of Burundi, Congo (Leopoldville) and Somalia through their Embassies in Addis Ababa, and telegrams directly to the Governments of Congo (Brazzaville), and Dahomey asking them to ratify the amendments of the Charter of the United Nations. Thirty African countries have already deposited their instruments of ratification and amendment of the Charter.

IX. The Admission of Gambia into the Organization of African Unity

CM/Res.57(IV)

The Administrative Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity, had notified the Government of Gambia that it had become the 36th rightful Member of the Organization of African Unity.

X. Financing the Law-suit against South-Africa on the question of the territory of South-West Africa

CM/Res.58(IV)

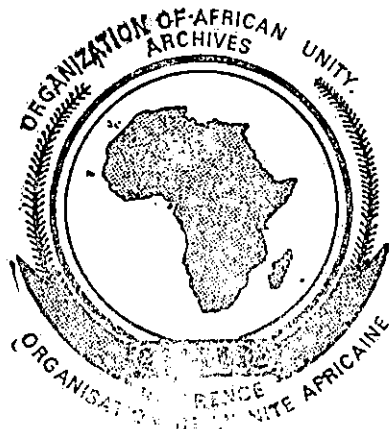
The Fourth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers having decided that the whole cost of the proceeding against South-Africa on the question of the territory of South-West Africa should be shared equally among all African countries. The Administrative Secretary-General of the Organisation of African Unity sent to each Member State, a bill on the amount to be paid as contribution towards the financing of the proceedings; and also informed them to send this amount to the Executive Secretariat of the African Group at the United Nations.

XI. The Administrative Secretary-General has been unable to submit the draft Statute of Administrative Tribunal to the present Session, for reasons which are clearly explained in the report on that subject.

XII. The Payment of Contributions of Member States

CM/Res.61(IV)

For the efficient working of its administration the General Secretariat of the Organisation of African Unity has sent to each Member State, the bill on their contributions to the ordinary budget and the special funds, which should be settled at the latest, six months after the date scheduled for payment. Up till now, less than 17 States have paid in their contributions to the ordinary budget. A Resolution asking each Member State to settle its contributions before the end of August, was adopted during the Fifth Extraordinary Session of the Council of Ministers held in Lagos last June.



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COUNCIL OF MINISTERS  
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REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY GENERAL ON THE HOLDING  
OF THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS  
AND THE SECOND SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE



1. On 15 July 1965, President Kwame Nkrumah of Ghana sent a letter requesting the Administrative Secretary-General of the OAU to circulate to all Heads of State and Government of OAU Member States a proposal stating "... with reference to the decision of the Heads of State and Government contained in Resolution AHG/Res.22 (1) adopted on 21 July, 1964, in Cairo regarding the holding of a Summit Conference in Accra this year, I very much regret to inform you that in spite of all exceptional efforts and diligence to arrange the Conference for the 1st of September, 1965, the new Conference Hall, accommodation for Heads of State and other auxiliary buildings now in the course of construction specially for the Conference will be completed by the 30th September this year.

After due consideration of all the factors aimed at making the Summit Conference a very successful one, I would like to propose that the Conference of the second regular session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government will start on 21 October 1965, preceded by the meeting of the Council of Ministers on the 12th October 1965."

2. In response to the above request by the President of Ghana, the Administrative Secretary-General despatched the following cable message to all Heads of State and Government of Member States :

" ... HONOUR INFORM THAT PRESIDENT GHANA AS HOST BY LETTER PROPOSES POSTPONEMENT SUMMIT CONFERENCE TO TWENTYFIRST OCTOBER PRECEDED BY COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING ON TWELVETH OCTOBER BECAUSE QUOTE DESPITE EXCEPTIONAL EFFORTS AND DILIGENCE OF GHANA'S PART THE CONFERENCE BUILDING ONLY BE COMPLETED BY THIRTYTH SEPTEMBER THIS YEAR UNQUOTE COPY OF LETTER FOLLOWS STOP GRATEFUL REPLY URGENTLY HIGHEST AND DEFERENTIAL CONSIDERATION."

DIALLO TELLI

SEC GEN OAU

The original copy of the letter of the President of Ghana was immediately transmitted by registered airmail and sent to all Member States.

3. In reply to the request of the President of the Republic of Ghana, numerous messages (telegrams and letters) have been received by the General Secretariat and some of them have been the subject of exchange of letters. The most important and most significant of these integral copies of messages are attached as annex to the present report for the information of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers.

4. Following the reserved acceptances and initial refusals transformed into acceptances and the clarifications on certain messages the General Secretariat has on 8th of October recorded 30 positive replies in principle for the postponement of the African Summit. Among these 25 were in favour of the dates suggested by Ghana. By the same date three States had not yet replied to the initial message from the Administrative Secretary-General while two others gave varying replies without formal opposition to the entire proposal of Ghana, like one State which declared that it adheres to the decision of the majority of Member States.

In consequence to the above and in conformity with its mandate, the Administrative Secretary-General informed all African Heads of State and Government of this situation and its consequence which means the acceptance of Ghana's proposal by two-third majority of Member States. The result being the following message on the holding of the Conference of Heads of State and Government on Twenty-first October. This would be preceded on the twelfth by the Fifth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers;

"Honour inform two-third majority on Ghana proposal obtained stop. Consequently Council and Assembly start meetings Accra twelve and twenty-first October Stop Defrential consideration".

DIALLO TELLI  
SECGEN OAU

Response and reaction of Member Governments

SIERRA LEONE

"... PRIME MINISTER HAS NO OBJECTION TO POSTPONEMENT OF SUMMIT CONFERENCE TO TWENTYFIRST OCTOBER AND COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING ON OCTOBER TWELVETH AS REQUESTED BY PRESIDENT OF GHANA".

EXTERNAL

27.7.65



ALGERIA

"... HONOUR INFORM EXCELLENCY HAVE LEARN'T WITH GREAT SURPRISE CERTAIN RUMOURS RELATING TO POSTPONEMENT OAU SUMMIT FROM FIRST SEPTEMBER TO TWENTYFIRST OCTOBER STOP WE SHALL CONSIDER THIS DECISION FIRST AS ONE NOT IN CONFORMITY WITH STIPULATION OAU CHARTER STOP RESOLUTION AHG/22 FIXING DATE OF MEETING FOR FIRST SEPTEMBER HAVING BEEN ADOPTED BY CONFERENCE OF HEADS OF STATE OF CAIRO JULY 1964 IN CONFORMITY WITH ARTICLE OF CHARTER WHICH STIPULATES NECESSITY OF TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY FOR ALL DECISIONS STOP AS IT WOULD DISRUPT HOLDING OF AFRO-ASIAN SUMMIT WHICH NOT ONLY CONCERNS ALGERIA BUT ALL AFRICAN AND ASIAN COUNTRIES IN CONFORMITY WITH ASPIRATIONS OF LIBERTY AND PROGRESS OF ALL PEOPLES OF UNDER-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD STOP IN THIS REPORT WOULD YOU PLEASE ALLOW ME TO DRAW YOUR SPECIAL ATTENTION TO DECISION ADOPTED BY PERMANENT COMMITTEE FOR THE PREPARATION OF AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE AND APPROVED BY THIRTYSIX AFRO-ASIAN COUNTRIES TO MEET FOR AFRO-ASIAN SUMMIT ON FIFTH NOVEMBER AND CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON TWENTY-EIGHT OCTOBER STOP WOULD BE GRATEFUL TO KNOW YOUR STAND ON THIS QUESTION"

ABDELAZIZ BOUTEFLIKA

28.7.65

ALGERIA

"... JUST BEEN INFORMED BY SECRETARY-GENERAL OAU UNILATERAL DECISION OF GHANA TO POSTPONE AFRICAN SUMMIT TO TWENTYFIRST OCTOBER 1965 TO BE PRECEDED BY MEETING COUNCIL OF MINISTERS ON TWELVETH OCTOBER STOP ON THIS POINT HONOUR TO INFORM YOUR EXCELLENCY OUR PROFOUND SURPRISE STOP DECISION NOT IN CONFORMITY WITH OAU CHARTER FOR MANY REASONS STOP FIRST RESOLUTION AHG/22 FIXING DATE AND PLACE OF CONFERENCE AND WHICH WAS ADOPTED IN CAIRO IN JULY 1964 CAN NOT BE AMENDED IN ANY WAY BY ONLY ONE MEMBER STATE STOP SECOND STOP ARTICLE TEN OAU CHARTER STIPULATES NECESSITY TWO THIRD MAJORITY FOR ALL DECISIONS STOP ALSO HAVE UNDERSTOOD WITH NUMEROUS INHERENT DIFFICULTIES IN PREPARATIONS AFRICAN SUMMIT AS WE HAVE ALSO LABOURIOUSLY AND IN AN EXPENSIVE WAY ASSURED PREPARATIONS AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE UNDER RESOLUTIONS CM/RCS (III) OF JULY 1964 WHICH PAID HOMAGE TO THE HEROIC STRUGGLE OF ALGERIA PEOPLE STOP"

HOUARI BOUMEDIENNE

28.7.65

MAURITANIA

"... JUST HEARD THAT OAU SUMMIT MIGHT BE POSTPONED FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER TO 21ST OCTOBER 1965 STOP THE POSSIBILITY MIGHT AFFECT HOLDING AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE IN ALGERIA HONOUR TO ASK YOU CONTACT ALL INTERESTED GOVERNMENTS ESPECIALLY ALGERIAN AND GHANAIAI GOVERNMENTS IN ORDER TO MUTUALLY AGREE TO FIX A CONVENIENT DATE OAU ACCRA CONFERENCE AND TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION 5TH NOVEMBER A DATE ALREADY RESERVED FOR AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE IN ALGERIA

MOKTAR OULD DADDAH

28.7.65

This telegram was immediately communicated to the Governments of Algeria and Ghana by the General Secretariat with the following comments :

" ... VERY CONSTRUCTIVE SUGGESTION WHICH NEEDS ATTENTIVE CONSIDERATION BY ALGERIAN AND GHANA GOVERNMENTS".

MOROCCO

"... THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS MAJESTY THE KING OF MOROCCO WOULD LIKE TO CONSIDER THE COMMUNICATION FROM GHANA AS NOT BEING A FINAL DECISION YOU WOULD REMEMBER THAT DURING SECOND AFRICAN SUMMIT CONFERENCE OF CAIRO JULY 1964 AFRICAN HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENTS ADOPTED RESOLUTION AGH/22 FIXING DATE 3RD AFRICAN SUMMIT CONFERENCE IN ACCRA FOR THE MONTH SEPTEMBER 1965 IT SEEMS TO OUR GOVERNMENT THAT THIS IS ALSO CONTRARY TO STIPULATIONS OF THE CHARTER THAT DECISIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN BY TWO THIRDS MAJORITY AND ALSO CONTRARY TO RESOLUTION WHICH HAVE REFERRED THAT A MEMBER STATE CAN UNILATERALLY ALTER A DECISION ADOPTED BY TWO THIRDS MAJORITY OF HEADS OF STATE MY GOVERNMENT ON THE OTHER HAND WILLING TO WELCOME REASONS FOR WHICH GHANA GOVERNMENT WOULD LIKE TO POSTPONE ACCRA MEETING BUT INSISTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF STRICT OBSERVATION OF TEXTS THAT THIS POSTPONEMENT BE SUBJECT PREVIOUS CONSULTATIONS FOR THE NECESSARY MAJORITY

AHMED TALIBI BENHIMA

28.7.65

KENYA

" ... KENYA AGREES TO THE POSTPONEMENT OF SUMMIT CONFERENCE TO OCTOBER 21 AND COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETING TO OCTOBER 12 AS PROPOSED BY GHANA".

PERMANENT SECRETARY, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

29.7.65

MADAGASCAR

" ... HONOUR DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO FOLLOWING POINTS FIRST  
MADAGASCAR'S PARLIAMENTARY SESSION OPENS FIFTH OCTOBER  
SECOND SHOULD START ESTABLISHING GOVERNMENT AFTER LEGISLATIVE  
ELECTIONS THIRD CHOSEN PERIOD COINCIDES WITH PREPARATION  
AND CELEBRATION OF ANNIVERSARY MADAGASCAR REPUBLIC

PHILIBERT TSIRAHANA

29.7.65

MALAWI

" ... I FULLY APPRECIATE AND UNDERSTAND THE PRACTICAL  
DIFFICULTIES WHICH FACE THE PRESIDENT OF GHANA ARISING  
FROM THE FACT THAT CONFERENCE BUILDING WILL NOT NOW BE  
COMPLETED IN TIME FOR CONVENING OF CONFERENCE ON 1ST  
SEPTEMBER AS PLANNED AND AGREE IT WOULD BE POINTLESS TO  
ATTEMPT TO CONVENE CONFERENCE UNTIL NECESSARY FACILITIES  
ARE AVAILABLE I THEREFORE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO POSTPONEMENT  
PROPOSED BUT REGRET THAT AT THAT TIME I SHALL NOT MYSELF BE  
ABLE TO ATTEND AS I HAD HOPED I SHALL HOWEVER SEND  
REPRESENTATIVE DELEGATION FROM MALAWI ENDS GRATEFUL  
EARLIEST CONFIRMATION THAT POSTPONEMENT IF DEFINITE AND  
NOT MERELY TENTATIVE"

EXTERNAL ZOMBA

29.7.65

MALI

" ... HONOUR INFORM YOU MY AGREEMENT TO DATE PROPOSED BY  
GHANA PRESIDENT FOR SUMMIT CONFERENCE"

MODIBO KEITA

29.7.65

SENEGAL

" ... HONOUR TO AGREE IN PRINCIPLE TO POSTPONEMENT CONFERENCE  
HEADS OF STATE STOP MEANWHILE PROPOSE THAT CONFERENCE BE  
HELD MIDDLE OF NOVEMBER THAN OCTOBER BECAUSE OF UNITED NATIONS  
SESSION".

LEOPOLD SEDAR SENGHOR

30.7.65

RUANDA

" ... NOTED YOUR INFORMATION ON THE POSTPONEMENT OF ACCRA CONFERENCE TO OCTOBER STOP OWING TO MATERIAL DIFFICULTIES IN PREPARATION STOP AGREE WITH PROPOSAL".

GR KAYIBANDA

30.7.65

ALGERIA

" ... WITH OUR OWN EXPERIENCE UNDERSTAND PERFECTLY MATERIAL DIFFICULTIES CONFRONTING GHANA STOP IF CHANGING DATE OF OAU SUMMIT CONFERENCE IS INDISPENSIBLE ACCOUNT SHOULD BE TAKEN OF DATE ALREADY FIXED FOR AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE WHICH HAS BEEN REPEATED POSTPONED STOP THINK THAT ACCRA CONFERENCE COULD BE HELD AFTER AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE STOP ALL THE SAME READY TO DISCUSS WITH GHANA GOVERNMENT TO FIX A DATE TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ALL THESE CLAIMS STOP WE ARE AT YOUR DISPOSAL FOR EXCHANGE OF IDEAS".

ABDELAZIZ BOUTEFLIKA

3.8.65

The contents of this cable was immediately transmitted to the Government of Ghana for appropriate consideration; and meanwhile the Algerian Government was asked to settle bilaterally this matter with the Ghana Government by means of direct consultation either in Algeria or in Accra at the highest level.

CONGO-BRAZZAVILLE

" ... HONOUR INFORM YOU CONGOLESE GOVERNMENT HAS NO OBJECTION".

DIPLOBRAZZA

5.8.65

DAHOMY

" ... GOVERNMENT DAHOMY HAS NO OBJECTION TO POSTPONEMENT OAU SUMMIT STOP HOPES HOWEVER THAT NEW DATE WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION OTHER COMING INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS"

MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS

5.8.65

ETHIOPIA

" ... THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE WISHED THE CONFERENCE TO TAKE PLACE ON 1ST SEPTEMBER 1965 AS DECIDED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT IN CAIRO ON 21ST JULY 1964 HOWEVER SINCE THE PROPOSAL FOR POSTPONEMENT EMANATED FROM THE HOST GOVERNMENT THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA ON GROUNDS RELATED TO PREPARATIONS OF ACCOMMODATIONS FOR HEADS OF STATE AND OTHER AUXILIARY BUILDINGS THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT FIND IT DIFFICULT TO INSIST UPON THE HOLDING OF THE AFRICAN SUMMIT CONFERENCE ON THE DATE FIXED BY THE FIRST REGULAR ASSEMBLY OF AFRICAN HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES OF FORCE MAJOR THEREFORE THE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT CANNOT BUT ACCEPT THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE IN ACCRA TO 21 OCTOBER 1965 AS PROPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA

SEYOUNI HIREGOT

ACTING MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

5.8.65

TUNISIA

" ... INFORM YOU THAT ALTHOUGH TUNISIAN GOVERNMENT UNDERSTANDS MATERIAL REASONS WHICH HAVE MOTIVATED THE REQUEST FOR POSTPONEMENT ACCRA SUMMIT THINKS THAT PREPARATIONS WOULD BE FINISHED BY 30TH SEPTEMBER AND CONSIDERS IT WISE IN THESE CONDITIONS TO FIX MORE CONVENIENT DATE BEFORE OR AFTER ALGIERS CONFERENCE IN ORDER TO AVOID RECIPROCAL DISRUPTION OF TWO CONFERENCES AFRICAN AND AFRO-ASIAN"

HABIB BOURGUIBA JR.

7.8.65

MAURITANIA

" ... IN REPLY YOUR LETTER POL 20/3 2 S OF 26 JULY RECEIVED 4TH INSTANT I HAVE HONOUR TO CONFIRM MY SUGGESTION SUBJECT OF MY TELEGRAM 466 OF 28TH JULY WHICH HAS ALREADY WON AGREEMENT ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT".

MOKTAR OULD DADDAH

8.8.65

BURUNDI

" ... BURUNDI SUPPORTS PROPOSAL OF GHANA PRESIDENT AND IN THE INTEREST OF THE CONFERENCE THE WORKING CONDITIONS OF WHICH NEED THE MOST FAVOURABLE PREPARATIONS"

PASCAL BUBIRIZA

AMBASSADOR

11.8.65

LIBERIA

" ... ALTHOUGH I REGRET THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF CONVENING THE CONFERENCE PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE TWENTYETH SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY AS AGREED AT THE CAIRO SUMMIT LAST JULY I ACCEPT THE POINT SUGGESTED TO PRESIDENT NKRUMAH IN MY REPLY TO A LETTER I RECEIVED FROM HIM THAT GOVERNMENTS OF GHANA AND ALGERIA SHOULD CONSULT EACH OTHER ON THE DATES FOR THE ACCRA AND ALGIERS CONFERENCES IN ORDER TO AVOID CONFLICTS AND DIFFICULTIES RESULTING FROM THE POSTPONEMENT OF BOTH MEETINGS".

S. TUBMAN

11.8.65

UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

" ... THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC TAKES PLEASURE IN INFORMING THE GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARIAT OF THE OAU THAT CAIRO COMPETENT AUTHORITIES AGREE TO THE PRINCIPLE OF POSTPONEMENT AS WELL AS TO THE SUGGESTED DATES IT IS WORTHWHILE TO NOTE ALSO THAT CAIRO COMPETENT AUTHORITIES SUPPORT THE IDEA OF CONVENING THE AFROASIAN SUMMIT CONFERENCE IN ALGIERS ON THE 28TH OF OCTOBER 1965 FOR THE MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MEETING AND ON THE 5TH OF NOVEMBER 1965 FOR THE AFROASIAN SUMMIT MEETING".

EMBASSY OF THE U.A.R.

11.8.65

LIBYA

" ... THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT EXPRESSES ITS FULL CONSIDERATION REGARDING THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT LED GHANA GOVERNMENT TO ASK FOR THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE CONFERENCE BUT RETAINING IN THE SAME TIME THAT AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE BE HELD IN ALGERIA AS SCHEDULED

LIBYAN GOVERNMENT WILL NOT AGREE TO POSTPONEMENT OF ACCRA CONFERENCE UNLESS THE PROPOSED DATE WILL NOT AFFECT THE MEETING OF AFROASIAN SUMMIT CONFERENCE".

WAHBI EL BOURI

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

UGANDA

" ... IT IS CONFIRMED THAT UGANDA IS AGREEABLE TO THE POSTPONEMENT TO DATES SUGGESTED".

EXTERIOR

12.8.65

GHANA

" ... THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA WISHES TO EXPRESS ITS DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE PROPOSAL OF THE PRESIDENT OF MAURITANIA CONCERNING A MEETING BETWEEN GHANA AND ALGERIA TO SETTLE ANY DIFFERENCES ARISING OUT OF THE DATES FOR THE COMING OAU AND AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCES.

THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA IS PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT THE ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY ACCEPTED GHANA'S INVITATION TO SEND A DELEGATION TO ACCRA AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF ALGERIA IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN GHANA ON FRIDAY 13TH AUGUST 1965.

THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA HAS SENT ITS APPRECIATION TO PRESIDENT OF MAURITANIA AND ALSO INFORMED HIM OF THE ALGERIAN-GHANAIAH ARRANGEMENTS TO SETTLE WHATEVER DIFFERENCES MAY EXIST."

E.M. DEBRAH, AMBASSADOR

13.8.65

CAMEROON

" ... IN REFERENCE TO YOUR LETTER QUOTED IN REFERENCE HONOUR INFORM YOU THAT GOVERNMENT FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON WISHES SUCCESS TO BOTH ACCRA AND ALGERIAN CONFERENCE ESPECIALLY FOR THE SAKE OF AFRICA IN PARTICULAR AND THAT OF AFRO-ASIA IN GENERAL IT IS THEREFORE FOR ALGIERS AND GHANA TO FIND A COMPROMISE FOR THE DATES OF THE TWO CONFERENCES"

LANGUE TSOBGY

13.8.65

GHANA

"... THE EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA PRESENT THEIR COMPLIMENTS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND HAVE THE HONOUR TO INFORM HIM THAT GHANA HAS NO OBJECTION TO THE NEW DATES PROPOSED FOR THE 1965 OAU SUMMIT CONFERENCE."

GHANA EMBASSY

17.8.65

IVORY COAST

"... THE PARTICIPATION OF THE IVORY COAST GOVERNMENT IN THE NEXT ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNEMENT, MEMBERS OF OAU DEPENDS ON THE STRICT OBSERVATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GHANA OF THE SOLEMN PROMISES IT MADE DURING THE EXTRA-ORDINARY CONFERENCE OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HELD LAST JUNE IN LAGOS

THE STAND OF THE GOVERNMENT OF IVORY COAST REMAINS UNCHANGED ESPECIALLY AS THE CONDITIONS FOR ITS PARTICIPATION HAS NOT BEEN FULFILLED EVEN A MONTH BEFORE THE PROSPECTIVE HOLDING OF THE OAU SUMMIT MEETING

THUS THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF IVORY COAST CANNOT SERIOUSLY SAY ANYTHING ON THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE SAID CONFERENCE PROPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ACCRA..."

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

18.8.65

SOMALIA

"... THE EMBASSY OF THE SOMALI REPUBLIC WISHES TO INFORM THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOMALI REPUBLIC HAS ACCEPTED THESE PROPOSALS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THANA."

EMBASSY OF THE SOMALI REPUBLIC

23.8.65

UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

"... THE TANZANIA GOVERNMENT HAS NO OBJECTION TO THE PROPOSED DATES BY THE GHANA GOVERNMENT AS CONTAINED IN THEIR LETTER TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY GENERAL."

PERMANENT MISSION

ADDIS ABABA

23.8.65



ALGERIA

"... HONOUR INFORM YOU FOR YOUR INFORMATION TEXT OF MESSAGE SENT TODAY TO MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS GHANA. BEGINNING OF QUOTATION STOP FOLLOWING OUR ACCRA DISCUSSIONS AND WITHIN OUR COMMON ANXIETY TO ASSURE THE BEST SUCCESS OF THE MEETING OF OAU HEADS OF STATE AND THE AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE HAVE HONOUR TO DRAW YOUR BROTHERLY ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING POINTS THAT THE POSTPONEMENT TO FIFTH NOVEMBER OF THE AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE HAS BEEN DECIDED BY THE PREPARATION COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF FIFTEEN AFRO-ASIAN COUNTRIES INCLUDING GHANA AND THE DATE CHOSEN ALREADY TOOK INTO CONSIDERATION DIFFERENT DATES ALREADY ACCEPTED FOR INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS MEETING OF OAU HEADS OF STATE IN ACCRA 1ST SEPTEMBER, MEETING OF ARAB HEADS OF STATE IN CASABLANCA 13TH SEPTEMBER AND FINALLY THE 20TH SESSION OF U.N. FROM 21ST SEPTEMBER FROM THIS FIFTH NOVEMBER WAS COMMONLY RESERVED FOR AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE IN ORDER TO ALLOW HEADS OF STATE AND MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF AFRICAN AND ASIAN COUNTRIES TO PARTICIPATE EFFECTIVELY IN ALL THESE MEETINGS IF OAU HAS CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS TO ASSURE ITS CONTINUED FUNCTIONING AND WHICH OFFER GREAT ELASTICITY IN THE FIXING OF DATES FOR DIFFERENT MEETINGS IT DOES NOT TAKE CARE OF AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE THE HOLDING OF WHICH DEPENDS ON ITS PARTICIPANTS UNDERSTAND WELL MATERIAL DIFFICULTIES CONFRONTING BROTHER GHANA GOVERNMENT WHICH MAKE HOLDING OF OAU SUMMIT CONFERENCE IMPOSSIBLE ON DATE PREVIOUSLY FIXED 1ST SEPTEMBER BUT IT WOULD SEEM INAPPROPRIATE TO POSTPONE THIS MEETING TO 21ST OCTOBER AS YOU HAVE PROPOSED SEEING THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF AFRO-ASIAN COUNTRIES SHOULD BE BEGINNING BY 28TH OCTOBER THE VERY NEARNESS OF THESE MEETINGS WOULD MAKE THEIR NORMAL FUNCTIONING DIFFICULT AND WOULD COMPROMISE ON THE OTHER HAND THE SUCCESS OF THE 20TH SESSION OF U.N. WHICH THIS YEAR WOULD BE PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT AFTER THE FAILURE OF THE 19TH SESSION AND THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT AFRICAN COUNTRIES WOULD MANIFEST THEIR LEGITIMATE DESIRE FOR A CONCERTED AND EFFICIENT PARTICIPATION IN THIS SESSION IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE IF THE AFRICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS CAN CONCENTRATE THEIR EFFORTS FOR THIS SESSION AND HAVE ALL THE NECESSARY FREEDOM FOR EXERCISING THESE EFFORTS I MUST EMPHASIZE THAT TO MY KNOWLEDGE FOUR AFRICAN HEADS OF STATE -OF KENYA, MADAGASCAR, MALAWI AND ZAMBIA WOULD BE PREOCCUPIED BY OTHER OBLIGATIONS ON 21ST OCTOBER AND WOULD NOT BE ABLE AT THIS RATE TO PARTICIPATE PERSONALLY AT THE OAU SUMMIT MEETING MOREOVER THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OAU HAD

NOT BE ABLE AT THIS RATE TO PARTICIPATE PERSONALLY AT THE OAU SUMMIT MEETING. MOREOVER THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE OAU HAD BY 21ST AUGUST RECEIVED ONLY 19 REPLIES OF WHICH 9 WERE COMPLETELY IN FAVOUR OF YOUR PROPOSAL AND THE OTHERS GAVE DIVERS CONDITIONS. IT MUST BE SAID THAT IF THE 2/3 MAJORITY WHICH IS NECESSARY FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE OAU SUMMIT TO 21ST OCTOBER IS RECEIVED ALGERIA WILL RESPECT THIS DECISION NO MATTER WHAT MIGHT BE HER PRESENT OBJECTIONS WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF ASSURING THE SUCCESS OF OUR MEETINGS AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ALL THESE. I SUGGEST TO YOU THAT WE SITUATE THE ACCRA CONFERENCE ONE MONTH AWAY FROM THE AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE EITHER ONE MONTH BEFORE OR AFTER THIS WOULD MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO OVERCOME ALL THE DIFFICULTIES THAT I HAVE ALREADY EMPHASIZED AND TO PREPARE AMONG ALL AFRICAN COUNTRIES THE FRIENDLY CLIMATE AND INDISPENSIBLE UNDERSTANDING NECESSARY FOR THE GOOD WORKING OF THE OAU SUMMIT. ON MY OWN SIDE I AM CONVINCED THAT YOU SHARE OUR PREOCCUPATIONS BEARING FIRST IN MIND OUR COMMON WILLINGNESS TO SEE THAT AFRICAN AND AFRO-ASIAN SOLIDARITY TRIUMPHS. I HOPE YOU WILL GIVE A BROTHERLY ATTENTION TO THE CONSIDERATIONS THAT I SUBMITTED FOR YOUR FRIENDLY APPRECIATION.

ABDELAZIZ BOUTEFLIKA,  
25.8.65

ALGERIA

"...IN REFERENCE TO YESTERDAY'S DECLARATION BY PRESIDENT NKRUMAH BEFORE THE ACCRA PARLIAMENT ON MAINTAINING THE PROPOSED DATE OF 21ST OCTOBER FOR THE AFRICAN SUMMIT STOP HAVE HONOUR TO BEG YOU PLEASE INFORM ME NAMES AND NUMBER OF COUNTRIES WHICH BY THE 25TH OF NEXT MONTH A) HAVE ACCEPTED DATE 21ST STOP B) HAVE ACCEPTED WITH ASSORTED CONDITIONS C) HAVE NOT YET REPLIED".

ABDELAZIZ BOUTEFLIKA  
25.8.65

OAU SECRETARIAT

"... HONOUR INFORM YOU HAVE RECEIVED 25TH AUGUST 22 ACCEPTANCES ON PRINCIPLE OF POSTPONEMENT AND TWO REPLIES NO OPINIONS CLEARLY EXPRESSED STOP AMONG THE TWENTY-TWO WHO ACCEPTED ON PRINCIPLE THIRTEEN ACCEPT THE DATE OF 21ST AND NINE OTHERS WHICH ACCEPTED ON VARYING CONDITIONS..."

DIALLO TELLI  
26.8.65

ALGERIA

"...HONOUR ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT YOUR MESSAGE 26TH AUGUST RELATING TO COUNTRIES THAT HAVE ACCEPTED IN PRINCIPLE POSTPONEMENT CONFERENCE OF ACCRA STOP THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR DILIGENCE STOP WOULD BE GRATEFUL TO RECEIVE LIST OF COUNTRIES BY CATEGORY OF REPLIES STOP"

ABDELAZIZ BOUTEFLIKA  
28.8.65

GUINEA

"... HONOUR INFORM YOU AGREEMENT GOVERNMENT OF GUINEA TO HOLDING OF OAU SUMMIT IN ACCRA 21ST OCTOBER 1965"

BEAVOGUI  
28.8.65

GAMBIA

"...GAMBIA SUPPORTS PROPOSAL POSTPONEMENT OAU SUMMIT ACCRA TO 21ST OCTOBER 1965"

PRIMOF  
29.8.65

ALGERIA

"...FOLLOWING DECLARATION IN LAGOS MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF GHANA STOP HONOUR TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE SEND THE EXACT NUMBER OF REPLIES TO GHANA PROPOSAL STOP GRATEFUL TO RECEIVE INFORMATION AFTER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRESENT MESSAGE"

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
29.8.65

OAU SECRETARIAT

"... HONOUR INFORM YOU HAVE RECEIVED 30TH AUGUST 26  
REPLIES OF WHICH SIXTEEN ACCEPT DATE OF 21ST OCTOBER  
9 ACCEPT WITH DIFFERENT CONDITIONS AND ONE DOES NOT  
EXPRESS ANY OPINION"

SEC GEN OAU

30.8.65

ZAMBIA

"... THE EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA PRESENTS  
ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE  
ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND HAS THE HONOUR TO  
INFORM THEM THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
ZAMBIA HAS SUPPORTED GHANA'S PROPOSAL FOR THE POSTPONE-  
MENT OF THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE TO 21ST OCTOBER"

EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC  
OF ZAMBIA

30.8.65

TOGO

"... PRESIDENT REPUBLIC OF TOGO MR NICOLAS GRUNITZKY  
SEES NO INCONVENIENCE TO POSTPONEMENT OF SUMMIT OF  
OAU TO 21ST OCTOBER 1965 AS PROPOSED BY GHANA  
GOVERNMENT"

G. APEDO AMAH

31.8.65

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

".. HONOUR INFORM YOU THAT GOVERNMENT CENTRAFRICAN  
DECLARES OPINION THAT CONSIDERING MATERIAL DIFFICULTIES  
CONFRONTING GHANA AND NEARNESS OF DATES OAU AND AFRO-  
ASIAN AND U N CONFERENCES THAT AFRICAN SUMMIT BE  
POSTPONED TO SECOND FORTHNIGHT IN DECEMBER STOP  
NEVERTHELESS REPUBLIC CENTRAFRICAN RALLIES TO MAJORITY  
OPINION OF OAU MEMBER STATES STRONGLY WISHES FOR A  
DEFINITE DATE TO BE FIXED IN COMMON AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
GHANA AND ALGERIA IN CONSIDERATION OF REASONS GIVEN  
ABOVE"

ANTOINE GUIMALI

2.9.65

OAU SECRETARIAT

"... FOLLOWING MESSAGE YOUR GOVERNMENT GIVING CONDITIONAL AGREEMENT TO GHANA PROPOSAL ON OAU SUMMIT DATE HONOUR INFORM INSTEAD ALL APPEALS MADE TO ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT AND GHANA FOR FIXING A COMMON DATE HAVE BEEN WITHOUT AGREEMENT STOP ON GHANA'S PROPOSAL SECRETARIAT HAS REGISTERED TWENTY-SIX ACCEPTANCES IN PRINCIPLE TO POSTPONEMENT OAU CONFERENCE AMONG WHICH SEVENTEEN IN FAVOUR OF DATE PROPOSED BY GHANA STOP IN ORDER TO ERASE UNCERTAINTIES AND EQUIVOCATIONS HIGHLY PREJUDICIAL TO PREPARATION AND SUCCESS OF ACCRA SUMMIT CONFERENCE AND ALGIERS GRATEFUL CABLE URGENTLY FINAL DECISION POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE OF YOUR GOVERNMENT ON DATES PROPOSED BY GHANA GOVERNMENT FOR OAU SUMMIT STOP RESPECTFUL CONSIDERATION"

SEC GEN OAU

5.9.65

FRANCE

(This communication was transmitted to the Government of Morocco, Rwanda, Mauritania, Senegal, Liberia, Libya, Tunisia, Central African Republic, Cameroon and Dahomey.)

"OWING TO NEED FOR SHORT DELAY AND NECESSITY TO ERASE UNCERTAINTIES AND EQUIVOCATIONS HIGHLY PREJUDICIAL TO PREPARATION AND SUCCESS OF ACCRA SUMMIT AND ALGIERS CONFERENCE HONOUR SOLICIT TELEGRAPHIC REPLY POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE OF YOUR GOVERNMENT TO PROPOSAL GHANA GOVERNMENT ON POSTPONEMENT CONFERENCE OAU TO 12TH AND 21ST OCTOBER RESPECTIVELY STOP AFTER LACK OF SUCCESS OF COMMON AGREEMENT IN FIXING OF DATE BY GHANA AND ALGIERS. SECRETARIAT HAS RECEIVED 26 AGREEMENTS IN PRINCIPLE ON THE POSTPONEMENT AMONG WHICH 17 IN FAVOUR OF DATES PROPOSED BY GHANA STOP HIGH CONSIDERATION "

SEC GEN OAU

5.9.65

(This communication was made to the Governments of Madagascar, Sudan, Niger, Chad, Nigeria, Gabon, Congo Leo and Upper Volta).

NIGERIA

"... THE EMBASSY OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND HAS THE HONOUR TO REFER TO THE SECRETARIAT'S NOTE N° POL 20/3/3/S OF 26TH JULY 1965 AND TO INFORM THE SECRETARIAT THAT NIGERIA WILL BE REPRESENTED AT THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE OAU DUE TO BE HELD IN ACCRA ON THE DATES PROPOSED BY GHANA".

EMBASSY OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF  
NIGERIA

7.9.65

SENEGAL

"... REPLYING YOUR MESSAGE N° 388 OF SEPTEMBER 6 CONCERNING POSTPONEMENT OF OAU SUMMIT CONFERENCE HAVE HONOUR TO CONFIRM MY GOVERNMENT'S AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE POSTPONEMENT AND DISAGREEMENT ON DATE OF 21 OCTOBER STOP SUGGEST THAT MEETING BE HELD SECOND FORTNIGHT OF DECEMBER FOR REASONS ALREADY EXPRESSED IN PREVIOUS MESSAGE"

LEOPOLD SEDAR SENGHOR

8.9.65

MADAGASCAR

"... REPLYING YOUR CABLE OF SEPTEMBER 6 STOP REGRET IMPOSSIBLE TO ACCEPT GHANA SUGGESTION FOR PROPOSED DATE IN OCTOBER FOR OAU CONFERENCE DUE TO SAID REASONS IN MY CABLE N°10536 OF 29 JULY"

PHILIBERT TSIKANANA

11.9.65

MAURITANIA

"... REPLYING YOUR CABLE N° 390 OF 6 INST. HONOUR INFORM YOU THAT MY GOVERNMENT THROUGH OBJECTIVE RESEARCH IS NOT IN FAVOUR OF GHANA PROPOSED DATE WHICH WOULD CONTRADICT AFRO ASIAN CONFERENCE ALGIERS FOR WHICH DATE OF NOVEMBER 5 HAS BEEN FIXED BY COMMON AGREEMENT BY ALL INTERESTED STATES

MOHTAR OULD DADDAH

13.9.65

CHAD

"... MY GOVERNMENT AND MYSELF UNDERSTAND VERY WELL THE TROUBLES OF GHANA AND ALGERIA GOVERNMENTS ON THE HOLDING OF AFRICAN SUMMIT AND AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCES THEREFORE I THINK THAT IN MY OPINION THE BEST DATE WOULD BE THE ONE WHICH WOULD RESULT FROM ALGERIA-GHANA NEGOTIATIONS"

FRANCOIS TOMBALBAYE

13.9.65

MOROCCO

"... 2990 FOLLOWING YOUR MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO H.M. THE KING HAVE HONOUR TO CONFIRM THE TERMS OF MY LETTER N.379/LAB OF JULY 28 1965 AND TO INFORM YOU THAT ON OUR PART THE GOVERNMENT OF H.M. THE KING HAS MADE EVERY EFFORT TO SEE THAT AGREEMENT IS REACHED BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS ALGERIA AND GHANA. H.M. THE KING'S GOVERNMENT TAKES NOTE WITH SATISFACTION OF THE INITIATIVES AND STEPS YOU HAVE YOURSELVES UNDERTAKEN AND THE AFRICAN STATES WHICH HAVE MADE ATTEMPTS TO SOLVE THE DIFFICULTY IN ORDER TO HELP YOU TO STATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE SITUATION CONFIRM THAT MOROCCO MAINTAINS HIS POSITION STATED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED LETTER HIGHEST CONSIDERATION,,

BENHIMA

14.9.65

LIBYA

"... WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR CABLE N° 383 ADDRESSED TO HIS MAJESTY THE KING CONCERNING THE PROPOSED DATE FOR OAU SUMMIT CONFERENCE STOP LIBYAN GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS STILL THAT THE DATE PROPOSED FROM GHANA CONTRADICTS WITH DATE DECIDED FOR THE AFRO ASIAN SUMMIT CONFERENCE STOP HIGHEST CONSIDERATION"

WAHBI EF BOURI

MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

20.9.65

SUDAN

".. PLEASE CONVEY TO OAU SECRETARIAT THAT SUDAN WILL ATTEND THE OAU SUMMIT CONFERENCE DUE TO BE HELD IN ACCRA ON OCT.21 IF NECESSARY QUORUM IS REACHED"UNQUOTE

EMBASSY OF SUDAN

20.9.65

CONGO(LEO)

"MESSAGE N° 131/1057/65 OF 22ND SEPTEMBER 1965 ANSWERING YOUR LAST MESSAGE HAVE HONOUR LET YOU KNOW THAT POSITION DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO IS AS FOLLOWS STOP DONFORMITY RESOLUTIONS LAGOS CONFERENCE GHANA GOVERNMENT MUST FIRST EXPEL ALL REFUGEES IN GHANA WHOSE PRESENCE CONSTITUTES DANGER OR INJURE TO CERTAIN OAU HEADS OF STATE STOP AS SOON AS ALL INTERESTED HEADS OF STATE ARE CERTAIN THAT THIS CONDITION IS FULFILLED DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO WILL NOT SEE ANY INCONVENIENCE TO AGREE TO DATE PROPOSED BY GHANA GOVERNMENT STOP HIGHEST CONSIDERATION"

JOSEPH KASAVUBU

PRESIDENT DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

24.9.65

GHANA

The President of the Republic of Ghana sent to the Secretary-General a message informing him that the Ghana Government had accomplished all its obligations resulting from the Lagos Resolution and has expelled all refugees whose presence in Ghana was considered as undesirable for some Heads of State and Government. This message is being immediately circulated to all Heads of State and Government.

O.A.U. SECRETARIAT

The General Secretariat sent the following telegram to the President of the Democratic Republic of Congo :

"CONDITIONS DEMANDED IN THE MESSAGE OF YOUR EXCELLENCY DATED 22ND SEPTEMBER HAVING BEEN FULFILLED BY EXPELLING UNDESIRABLE REFUGEES IN GHANA HAVE HONOUR INFORM YOUR EXCELLENCY THAT SINCE NO OBJECTION WAS EXPRESSED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED TELEGRAM SECRETARIAT CONSIDERS IT AS ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSED DATES FOR THE HOLDING OF AFRICAN SUMMIT STOP DEFRENTIAL CONSIDERATION"

SEC GEN OAU



To this, the President of the Democratic Republic of Congo replied by the text of the telegram quoted below :

"PRESIDENT KASAVUBU DECLARES THAT WE WILL BE ARRIVING ACCRA ONE DAY EARLIER FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH GHANA PRESIDENT HE MIGHT GIVE A MANDATE TO A PLENIPOTENTIARY FOR THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS IN CASE THIS BECOMES IMPOSSIBLE DUE TO INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION IT SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED AS A BOYCOTT OF THE CONFERENCE"

LIBERIA

" ... I ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF YOUR TELEGRAM ON THE SUMMIT OF THE DATE OF THE OAU SUMMIT IN ACCRA FOR THE 21ST OCTOBER WHICH I APPROVE BUT I CANNOT SAY THAT I ACCEPT AND APPROVE UNCONDITIONALLY WITH ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST ESTEEM"

WILLIAM TUBMAN

28.9.65

CAMEROON

" ... HONOUR INFORM YOU THAT CAMEROON WILL ATTEND ASSEMBLY HEADS OF STATE ACCRA"

AHIDJO

29.9.65

LIBYA

" ... LIBYAN DELEGATION FOR THE FIFTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE OAU COUNCIL OF MINISTERS COMPOSED OF STOP DR AHMED EL BISHTI MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HEAD OF DELEGATION STOP MR ALI HASANEIN LIBYAN AMBASSADOR IN LAGOS VICE HEAD OF DELEGATION STOP COUNSELLOR CHAIRI BEN AMER MEMBER STOP COUNSELLOR MANSUR EL KIKHYA MEMBER STOP MUFTAH HEAD AFRO ASIAN SECTION MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MEMBER STOP ABDULKADER EL WERFALLI SECRETARY OF DELEGATION STOP HIGHEST CONSIDERATION"

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

6.10.65

DAHOMY

"... REFERENCE YOUR CABLE N° 445 OF 2ND OCTOBER HONOUR LET YOU KNOW THAT DAHOMEY'S POSITION WILL DEPEND ON RESULTS NEXT MEETING OF UNDERSTANDING OF NKRUMAH STOP HIGHEST CONSIDERATION"

JUSTIN AHOMADEGBE TOMETIN

6.10.1965

EMBASSY OF GHANA

(Copy of a letter from Congo(Leopoldville)):

For Abankwa From Amonoo. Following message received from Quashie is copied for information of OAU Secretary-General. Stop.:

"..PRESIDENT KASAVUBU SAYS HE ARRIVES ACCRA ONE DAY EARLIER FOR TALKS WITH OSAGYEFO HE MAY APPOINT A PLENIPOTENTIARY IN PLACE OF FOREIGN MINISTER COUNCIL". IF THIS BECOMES IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE OF PRESENT INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION COMMA THIS SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE MISCONSTRUED AS BOYCOTT STOP..."

7.10.65

(Copy of a letter from Tunisia) :

"The Embassy of the Republic of Ghana present their compliments to the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity and have the honour to inform him that, Tunisia has submitted to the Ghana Government their list of delegates to the Council of Ministers meeting prior to the Summit Conference. The delegation is led by their Foreign Minister and the delegation is expected to arrive in Accra on the 11th of October".

The Embassy of the Republic of Ghana would therefore like the Secretary-General to consider this as an unconditional acceptance for the dates proposed by Ghana for the Summit Conference.

The Embassy of the Republic of Ghana avail themselves of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity the assurances of their highest consideration. "

8.10.65

EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE SUDAN

(Copy of a letter dated Oct.7,1965 - Addis Ababa)

"The Embassy of the Republic of the Sudan presents its compliments to H.E. Mr.Dialo Telli, Executive Secretary General of the Organization of African Unity and following the conversation with the Chargé d'Affaires of this Embassy yesterday evening has the honour to convey the text of the telegram received from Khartoum quote :

"H.E. Mr.Dialo Telli Secretary General O.A.U. The Sudan Government decided that the African Summit in Accra to be convened on the 21st October and that the Sudan Government delegation will attend the conference accordingly".unquote.

The Embassy of the Republic of the Sudan avails itself of this opportunity to renew to H.E. Mr.Dialo Telli, Executive Secretary of the Organization of African Unity the assurances of its highest considerations."

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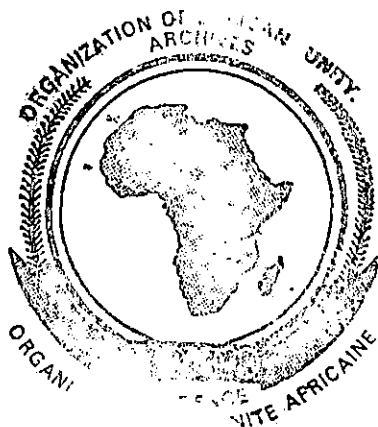
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29th September, 1965

GHANAEMB ADDIS-ABABA

GRATEFUL DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM OSAGYEFO TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF OAU: "I AM HAPPY TO INFORM YOU AND MR. MURUMBI CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS THAT GHANA HAS COMPLETELY FULFILLED ITS OBLIGATIONS CONCERNING THE LAGOS RESOLUTIONS. IN PARTICULAR, RESIDENCE HAS BEEN DENIED TO THOSE REFUGEES WHOSE PRESENCE IS CONSIDERED UNDERSIRABLE CONSEQUENTLY, ALL RELATED PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN SOLVED. GHANA IS DIRECTING ALL ITS EFFORTS FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE OAU SUMMIT CONFERENCE. GRATEFUL CIRCULATE TO ALL MEMBER STATES.

KWAME NKRUMAH"



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