## VOTE OF CONGRATULATION AND APPRECIATION EXTENDED TO GENERAL OLUSEGUN OBASANJO, HEAD OF STATE AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Sixteenth Ordinary Session of Monrovia, Liberia from 17 to 20 July 1979,

<u>Considering</u> the exceptional qualities of Statesmanship of General Olusegun OBASANJO, Head of States and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria;

<u>Further considering</u> the distinguished services he rendered to Africa;

Noting with high appreciation his immense contribution to the cause of liberation of the African Continent and towards peace in Africa as well as in the world;

<u>Having heard</u>, with emotion, the speech delivered at the opening ceremony of the Sixteenth OAU Assembly of Heads of State and Government in which he announced his imminent handing over of powers;

Also considering that, throughout the years of his office as Head of State of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, General Olusegun Obasanjo never ceased deploying sustained and permanent efforts so that Africans could solve their own problems themselves and that Africa may assert itself in all its entity and authenticity in the world,

<u>Considering</u> finally the far-sighted vision, a special quality of General Olusegun Obasanjo, whose dedication, sense of responsibility and strong commitment are well known and appreciated by all:

1. ADDRESSES its warm thanks to General Olusegun OBASANJO, worthy and brilliant son of Africa;

- 2. COMMENDS General Olusegun OBASANJO for all his achievements as Head of the Nigerian State, not only for his own country but for the entire African Continent;
- 3. ASSURES him of the unanimous appreciation of his colleagues and the participants of the Sixteenth OAU Assembly.

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