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SUPPORT FOR THE HAITIAN PEOPLE

THE AD HOC MEETING OF MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS,

HAVING SEEN resolutions MRE/RES. 1/91, 2/91, 3/92 and 4/92 of the Ad Hoc Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs,

HAVING HEARD the statement by the Constitutional President of Haiti, Jean Bertrand Aristide, and the reports of the Secretary General of the Organization and his Special Envoy at this session;

CONSIDERING:

That the grave crisis in the Republic of Haiti continues, and that it is an abrupt, violent and irregular interruption of the democratic process; and

That the political, economic and social development of Haiti requires that democratic institutions be restored in that country;

DEEPLY ALARMED by the persistent and systematic violation of human rights in Haiti; and

CONVINCED that renewed and more strenuous efforts must be made to achieve the objectives set in the aforementioned resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To reaffirm the decisions contained in resolutions MRE/RES. 1/91, 2/91, 3/92 and 4/92 of the Ad Hoc Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs.
- 2. To warn that the persistence of the situation obtaining in Haiti is unacceptable, and that it is incumbent upon all the Haitian parties involved in the negotiations--particularly those who continue to use delaying tactics to profit illegally from the situation--to take true responsibility for solving the crisis in the framework of the Haitian Constitution.

- 3. To reiterate its decision to continue the humanitarian aid to Haiti that is being coordinated by the OAS with the participation of the United Nations, and to resume and increase cooperation and technical assistance once democratic institutions are re-established in that country.
- 4. To reaffirm the mandate to the Secretary General of the Organization of American States to continue, in coordination with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to take action within the framework of the Charter to seek a peaceful settlement of the Haitian crisis.
- 5. To commend those member states that are adopting measures to strengthen the embargo, which is an important complement to the current negotiation process, and stress the need for the member states of the OAS and of the UN to reinforce such measures, particularly as regards the supply of oil and its byproducts to Haiti, and the suspension of commercial flights.
 - 6. To request the Permanent Council's Special Committee on the Embargo to:
 - a) Appoint a permanent Chairman to direct the work of the Special Committee; and
 - b) Prepare monthly public reports for the Permanent Council on enforcement of the embargo, and request the Secretary General to transmit those reports to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.
- 7. To reiterate its serious concern over the military regime's continuous violations of human rights, and to reiterate to the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights that it continue its ongoing and close monitoring of the situation in Haiti and keep this Ad Hoc Meeting informed, through the Permanent Council.
- 8. To give full and continuous support to the efforts made by Dr. Dante Caputo, Special Joint Envoy of the Secretary General of the Organization of American States and of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to contribute to a peaceful solution to the Haitian crisis.
- 9. To urge the OAS member states and permanent observer states, the member states of the UN, and the international community, through the General Secretariats of the OAS and of the UN, to support or continue supporting the OAS/UN International Civilian Mission.
- 10. To request the Secretary General to transmit the present resolution to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and to distribute it as widely as possible.