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REINSTATEMENT OF DEMOCRACY IN HAITI

THE AD HOC MEETING OF MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS,

HAVING SEEN:

Resolutions MRE/RES. 1/91, MRE/RES. 2/91 and MRE/RES. 3/92 of the Ad Hoc Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs;

The Protocol of Washington of February 23, 1992;

Permanent Council resolution CP/RES. 594 (923/92), and resolutions 46/7, 46/138 and 47/20 of the United Nations General Assembly;

HAVING HEARD the report of the Secretary General on the situation in Haiti;

PERSUADED that a return to the framework of democratic institutions is necessary for Haiti's political, economic and social development;

DEEPLY ALARMED at the persisting serious violations of human rights in Haiti and the worsening situation with respect thereto;

FULLY AWARE of the repercussions of the increase in the number of Haitians seeking refuge in neighboring member countries; and

CONVINCED that further efforts are necessary to achieve the objectives set forth in the aforementioned resolutions,

RESOLVES:

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

2. To urge the member states of the Organization of American States and the United Nations which have not yet done so to take the necessary steps internally, as a matter of urgency, to fully implement the measures

agreed upon within the framework of the OAS, with special emphasis on the suspension of oil, arms and munitions supplies and on the freezing of the assets of the Haitian state.

3. To instruct the President of the Ad Hoc Meeting of Ministers and the Secretary General to make an additional effort with all Haitian sectors, as a matter of urgency and in close cooperation, if need be, with the United Nations Secretary-General, to facilitate serious dialogue among them, a dialogue that is necessary to bring about the re-establishment of the framework of democratic institutions in Haiti; this effort should initially be designed to bring about, as soon as possible, a substantial increase in the OAS civil presence; and to request the member states and the United Nations to extend all-out cooperation and support for these ends.

4. To sound a note of warning that the situation which persists in Haiti is unacceptable and that it behooves all Haitian parties involved in the negotiations to assume effective responsibility for resolving the crisis, in the framework of the Haitian Constitution.

5. To instruct the President of the Ad Hoc Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs and the Secretary General of the OAS to cooperate in the efforts of the Chairman of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, in light of the serious and continuing human rights violations in Haiti and the refusal of the current *de facto* authorities to allow the Commission to conduct an on-site visit as soon as possible.

6. To request the Secretary General to continue to coordinate relevant action with the United Nations, including the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, in light of the serious situation with respect to Haitians seeking refuge.

7. To reiterate its decision to continue humanitarian aid to Haiti, being coordinated by the OAS with the participation of the United Nations, and to resume and increase cooperation and technical assistance once there is a return to the framework of democratic institutions in that country; to request the Permanent Council to provide the pertinent criteria.

8. To mandate the Secretary General of the Organization of American States to take all measures within the framework of the Charter to seek a peaceful resolution of the Haitian crisis and, in conjunction with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, to explore the possibility and advisability of bringing the Haitian situation to the attention of the United Nations Security Council as a means of bringing about global application of the trade embargo recommended by the OAS.

9. To request the Secretary General to transmit this resolution to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and to circulate it as widely as possible.