

**DECISION ON THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY
GENERAL ON THE SITUATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC OF CONGO (DRC)**

Council:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report;
2. **REAFFIRMS** its commitment to the unity, sovereignty and territorial integrity of the DRC, as well as its sovereignty over its natural resources and the commitment made by all neighbouring countries of the DRC, under the provisions of the OAU and UN Charters, as well as of the Constitutive Act, to respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the DRC;
3. **WELCOMES** the commitment of the parties, renewed during the Fourth Summit held in Lusaka, Zambia, on 3 April 2002, to comply with the provisions of the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement, as the only framework negotiated and accepted by all the Parties for a lasting solution to the conflict in the DRC. In this respect, Council **NOTES WITH SATISFACTION** that, in general, the parties have respected the ceasefire and implemented the combatants' disengagement and redeployment plans and sub-plans as laid down by the Kampala and Harare plans and sub-plans;
4. However, **EXPRESSES** concern over serious violations of the ceasefire reported in some parts of the DRC, including military operations by armed groups in the Eastern part of the DRC;
5. **URGES** all concerned parties including those who supply them to take the necessary measures to put an end to such incursions including the cessation of all political, military and economic support which enabled them to continue their activities;
6. **TAKES NOTE** of the progress made during the negotiations which took place in Sun City, South Africa, from 25 February to 19 April 2002 within the framework of the Inter-Congolese Dialogue and **URGES** the parties to work towards the conclusion of an inclusive and comprehensive agreement, in compliance with the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement;

7. **EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE** to the Facilitator, Sir Ketumile Masire, for his commitment to the cause of reconciliation in the DRC as well as to President Thabo Mbeki for his active involvement in the Dialogue and for South Africa's generous contribution which facilitated the Dialogue, as well as its material support which made it possible;
8. **WELCOMES** the appointment, by the United Nations Secretary General, of a Special Envoy for the Inter-Congolese Dialogue in the person of Mr. Moustapha Niasse and **REQUESTS** the Secretary General to continue to provide him with all the necessary support;
9. **ALSO WELCOMES** the appointment of a Special Representative of the Secretary General in the DRC in the person of Mr. Martin BONGO of the Republic of Gabon;
10. **ENCOURAGES** the countries signatory to the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement to pursue their contacts with a view to establishing conditions conducive to the implementation of the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement;
11. **CONDEMNS** the incitements to violence and acts of violence perpetrated in Kisangani in mid-May, as well as reprisals against local civilian populations and **URGES** RCD-Goma to demilitarize the city of Kisangani and its environs without delay, in compliance with UN Security Council Resolutions 1304 and 1355 and the commitment made by the DRC to that effect;
12. **WELCOMES** adoption by the Security Council, of Resolution 1417 (2002) of 14 June 2002 which, inter-alia, decided to extend the mandate of MONUC until 30 June 2003. Council however remains concerned by the fact that the Security Council neither accepted the increase of MONUC Forces, as recommended by the United Nations Secretary General, nor reinforced the latter's mandate to turn it into a peace-keeping force, as recommended by the Fourth Summit of Signatory Parties and the Political Committee during its meeting in Luanda on 1 May 2002;
13. **ALSO URGES** the UN to increase the capacity and mandate of MONUC on the ground in the DRC so that it can effectively implement the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement;

- 14. URGES** the parties to the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement to take the necessary measures to enable MONUC to successfully carry out the tasks assigned to it under Phase III of its deployment, namely, the combatants' Disarmament, Demobilization, Repatriation, Resettlement and Reintegration (DDRRR) Programme;
- 15. REITERATES** the importance of total withdrawal of all Foreign Forces from the DRC. To this end, **EXPRESSES** concern over the slowing down observed in the process for withdrawal of foreign troops and **UNDERScores** the obligation of all concerned States to honour their specific commitments according to the terms of the Lusaka Ceasefire Agreement;
- 16. RENEWS ITS APPEALS** to OAU Member States and the international community at large to continue to support the peace process in the DRC, including assistance to the DDRRR Programmes and the withdrawal of foreign troops, as well as the Inter-Congolese National Dialogue;
- 17. EXPRESSES** serious concern over the humanitarian situation and repeated violations of international human rights perpetrated in DRC;
- 18. APPEALS** to all Member States and the international community at large to provide further assistance to the needy populations and **URGES** all concerned parties to put an end to acts of violence against civilians and respect international human rights.