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YOUR EXCELLENCIES; HIS IMPERIAL MAJESTIC; HONOURABLE MINISTERS,
DISTINGUISHED GUESTS AND FELLOW FREEDOM FIGHTERS:

On behalf of the Comite Revolucionario de Moçambique (Mozambique Revolutionary Committee (COREMO)), allow me to express on behalf of the oppressed and exploited African people of Mozambique, to his Imperial Majesty, the Government and people of Ethiopia and the Secretariat of the O.A.U. for making this historic Summit Conference a success in spite of the imperialists, colonialists and neo-colonialists manoures to destroy this most historical gathering of the African Heads of States.

Your Excellencies,

The Mozambique Revolutionary Committee (Coremo), wishes this Conference every success in all its deliberation against imperialism colonialism and neo-colonialism. It is our sincere hope that the end of this conference a concrete decision will be passed and implemented which will deliver a heavy blow to all imperialists, colonialists and all their allies. We are sure that after this conference Africa will be able to determine her own future without outside interference. We in Mozambique have been subjected and are still being subjected to all kinds of degradations and inhuman torture by the Portuguese colonialists, and for the last four hundred and fifty years (450) we have been treated as slaves in our own country of birth.

Your Excellencies,

Once more allow me in the name of the Mozambique Revolutionary Committee (COREMO), and the people it represents who are committed to the bitter struggle against the Portuguese oppressor to give you an authentic account of the armed revolutionary struggle in Mozambique. The revolutionary forces of Mozambique, united a principle basis in 1965 to form the militant (COREMO) have intensified the armed struggle in all the regions of Mozambique. Our organization immediately after its formation became the vanguard of the revolutionary struggle of the African People of Mozambique. The oppressed and exploited African people of Mozambique are prepared to make unlimited sacrifices in order to liberate Mozambique from Portuguese colonialism. Mozambicans like other

Oppressed peoples of the World have chosen to take the historic path of armed struggle as all other valiant peoples of the World.

The Portuguese colonialists assisted by NATO has increasingly intensified its barbaric and devilish manner of suppression of the African people of Mozambique, in all its activities it has pursued a policy of burning and destroying anything of African origin. Since the beginning of the people's Revolution in October last year by (COREMO) the Portuguese imperialists have imprisoned thousands of innocent people and killed many others in the district of Tete, Manica e Sofala, Zambezia, Nyasa and many other places. Bodies of our heroic and dedicated people have always been found along the banks of river Zambezi. As a result of those atrocities over 5.000 (Five thousands) refugees crossed the borders into Zambia last year, and many more are coming as a number of our operations increases.

Your Excellencies,

In spite of all this, the revolutionary forces of Mozambique have not been disillusioned by the Portuguese naked atrocities and brutality. On the contrary, suppression, exploitation and mass plunder have intensified the liberation forces and more people have joined (COREMO), and the victory through armed struggle in Mozambique by the unwavering determination of the people to see the Portuguese colonial Government out of Mozambique. Your Excellencies, (COREMO) strongly gives a sound warning to the Portuguese fascists and this warning must be given a maximum consideration before it is too late. We are alarmed by the way the Portuguese Government is suppressing our people. All our people in the villages are being rounded up in concentration camps, all the crops have been destroyed, our people dying with hunger. As a means of fighting against our heroic guerrillas the Portuguese imperialists have employed different methods which are inhuman but still they have failed. All the activities carried by these bandits are stinking crimes ever inflicted to human beings in the history of mankind.

Since the beginning of the armed Revolutionary struggle in Mozambique by (COREMO), our guerrillas had more than 673 engagements with the enemy forces and out of these engagements more than 233 Portuguese ~~troops~~^{soldiers} have been wiped out. In the Tete district more than 190 operations were carried out, and in this district in the areas of Zumbo, Zambue and Fingoe 163 Portuguese ~~troops~~^{soldiers} were wiped out. Arms and ammunition were captured and these arms have helped our party to intensify the Armed Revolutionary struggle in many parts of the country. As a result of our military operations in Zumbo, Zambue and Fingoe the Portuguese have constructed new roads along the borders of Zambia this is intended to give quick movement to the enemy troops
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When in patrol. In Nyasa, Zambezia and many other parts of the country our fighters continue to score many victories. Our fighters in these areas are daily improving their skill of fighting the Portuguese aggressive troops, and establishment of guerrilla bases areas continue each passing day.

Your Excellencies, His Imperial Majesty, distinguished guests and fellow & freedom fighters, in the struggle for the emancipation of Africa we are sure that we are all going to face many setbacks, this is witnessed by our own struggle, since the beginning of our struggle we have lost more than 27 (twenty seven) of our beloved, courageous, and revolutionary dedicated fighters who have sacrificed their lives for the sake of liberating Mozambique. Thus, in relation to the African revolution as a whole we can see many setbacks which are developing each day, but we are sure that this historic conference is going to solve all these for the sake of Africa's & emancipation from imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism.

Your Excellencies, taking into account of our struggle, and deeply analysing the position of the liberation movements in Africa we of (COREMO) feel that we have every reason to make it clear before this gathering we have every justification to appeal for assistance from your Excellencies.

On behalf of Central Committee of (COREMO) the military High Command of our Movement and the millions of the oppressed African people of Mozambique we wish this distinguished Conference all the successes in its deliberation of Unity among the African Independent Nations, saving the face of mother Africa from Imperialism and neo-colonialism, and strengthening the progressive forces for the liberation of our dear continent.

Patria ou Morte
Our country or death
Long live African Unity
Long live the Progressive forces of the World.

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