

## **AFR/RC40/R1: Situation in Liberia**

The Regional Committee,

Considering the dramatic situation, starvation and the worsening of the health situation of the population of Liberia resulting from continuing civil strife;

Aware that only urgent international assistance can reduce the loss of human lives and the suffering of the populations most affected;

Taking into account the recent appeals from the African Heads of State, the OAU and the Economic Community of West African States;

1. REGRETS the deteriorating situation in Liberia;
2. GIVES its deep moral support to the people of Liberia;
3. SOLEMNLY APPEALS to the international community to pay special attention and provide urgent humanitarian relief to the people most in need, particularly inside Liberia, as well as to the Liberian refugees in the neighbouring countries;
4. REQUESTS Member States of the African Region to mobilize their own public opinion in order to make available humanitarian aid, especially food and medical supplies, to the Liberian population;
5. CALLS upon the parties in the conflict to allow access of humanitarian assistance groups so that they can serve the needy populations especially women and children.
6. REQUESTS the Director-General and the Regional Director of WHO to urgently assess the health situation of the population in Liberia and mobilize financial and technical support to meet the emergency needs.

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