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THE MPLA RECOGNIZED
BY THE AFRICA LIBERATION COMMITTEE

The Africa Liberation Committee, usually known by the name of the OAU Committee of Nine with headquarters in Dar es Salaam, has recognized the MPLA and decided unanimously to grant it a technical and material aid.

This fact ought to be emphasized.

Indeed, this decision has followed the Second All-Africa Summit Conference held last July in Cairo. By then, the African Heads of State and Government had found out that the so-called "Angolan government" recognized by error by some states, was not accomplishing its duties within Angolan nationalism. It was incapable to develop the fight. It was incapable to gather the movements around itself and, on the contrary, it was the basic element of division. It is a tool of imperialism for it submits its policy to foreign powers and thus, it is not itself any threat for Portuguese colonialism.

The "grae" is falling apart. It has not the people's trust. On the contrary, it is hated for its assassinations, imprisonments and persecutions carried out against the Angolans. Everybody knows that the so-called "grae" uses in other purposes the funds granted to help the liberation of Angola.

Supported by the Léopoldville government, the "grae" is only the brake of our liberation struggle. On the other hand, after having undergone a crisis and a powerful imperialist attack, the MPLA has reorganized itself, increased its force and today it is the only political organization busy with the guerilla warfare inside Angola and having an important influence among the Angolan masses.

MPLA position on unity has already been proved. All this has been verified. The Committee of Nine had to vote unanimously for a technical and material aid to the MPLA.

Thus, the MPLA has conquered its freedom of action and the aid it deserved. The MPLA is a growing force that has been overcoming and leading obviously Angolan nationalism with a just orientation.

Forces opposed to the MPLA have been silent on this important fact of Angolan politics. However, this event does not lose its meaning for it is a step forward of the Angolan nationalism.

Today Angola has some new possibilities against Portuguese colonialism. MPLA militants will know to be worthy of the aid granted and use it efficiently in the fight against colonialism and imperialism, for our country's complete independence.

Courage shown by Africa on rescuing Angola from neocolonialism must be kept until the complete enlightenment of the attitudes of only a few months ago which had immersed our country into a confusion.

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