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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF
INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

Letter dated 29 November 1966 from the Permanent Representative of
Ethiopia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose herewith a copy of the draft resolution on the question of the so-called territory of French Somaliland (Djibouti) adopted by the third ordinary session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 5 to 9 November 1966.

In view of the special interest my Government attaches to this question, I should be grateful if you would arrange to have the enclosed resolution circulated as an official document of the United Nations.

(Signed) Endalkachew MAKOMMEN
Permanent Representative of Ethiopia
to the United Nations

RESOLUTION ON FRENCH SOMALILAND (DJIBOUTI)*

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government meeting in its third ordinary session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 5 to 9 November 1966,

Conscious of its responsibilities towards all African peoples that are not yet independent,

Having considered the development of the situation in the so-called territory of French Somaliland (Djibouti),

Takes note of the decision of the French Government to grant the people self-determination by means of a referendum before July 1967,

Expresses the fervent desire that voting may be conducted on an entirely free, democratic and impartial basis,

Addresses a solemn appeal to the people of so-called French Somaliland (Djibouti) to unite in confronting its destiny,

Assures the brotherly people of so-called French Somaliland (Djibouti) of its active solidarity, designed to bring about and consolidate the independence of that people.

*The original draft resolution was sponsored by: Somalia, Tunisia and Upper Volta.