

STATEMENT ON THE BONN DECLARATION

At the request of the Heads of State and Government who participated in the Summit, I, in my capacity of Chairman of the meeting, am pleased to make the following statement which concerns the Declaration on Air-Hijacking issued in Bonn in July, 1978. The Heads of State and Government expressed their satisfaction at the broad support of the international community for the principles set out in the Bonn Declaration of July 1978 as well as in the international conventions dealing with unlawful interference with civil aviation. The increasing adherence to these conventions and the responsible attitude taken by States with respect to air hijacking reflect the fact that the said principles are being accepted by the international community as a whole.

While enforcement measures under the declaration have not yet been necessary, the Heads of State and Government emphasize that hijacking remains a threat to international civil aviation and that there can be no relaxation of efforts to combat this threat. To this end they look forward to continuing cooperation with all other governments.

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