

Report of the Rapporteur-General H.E. Mr. George McKenzie Permanent Representative of Trinidad and Tobago to the United Nations

1. The XII Summit of Heads of State or Government of the Non-Aligned Countries was held in Durban, Republic of South Africa, from 2 September to 3 September 1998.
2. The Summit was preceded by a Preparatory Meeting at the Senior Officials level, held from 29 August to 30 August, and a Preparatory Meeting held at Ministerial level from 31 August to 1 September 1998.
3. The following members of the Movement attended the Summit:

Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, Colombia, Comoros, Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, Democratic Republic of Congo, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Palestine, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Rwanda, Saint Lucia and the Grenadines, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

4. The following countries attended the Summit as observers:

Armenia, Belarus, Brazil, China (People's Republic), Costa Rica, Croatia, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mexico, Paraguay, Ukraine, Uruguay.

The following organizations and national liberation movements also attended as observers:

United Nations Organisation, Organisation of African Unity, League of Arab States, Organization of the Islamic Conference, Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization, New Independentist Movement of Puerto Rico, Front de Liberation Nationale Kanak Socialiste (FLNKS).

5. The following countries attended the Summit as guests:

Australia, Austria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Holy See, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and the United States of America.

The following organisations attended as guests:

United Nations Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), United Nations Education, Science and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), Special Committee on Decolonisation, World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO), Group of 77 Developing Countries, Group of Eight, European Union, International Committee of the Red Cross, World Federalist Movement, South Centre, Preparatory Commission for the

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty (CTBTO), International Organisation for Migration (IOM), The December 12th Movement International Secretariat, International Campaign to Ban Landmines, Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy: Abolition 2000, The Japan Asia, Africa and Latin America Solidarity Committee.

6. Members of the diplomatic corps accredited to the South African Government were also invited as Guests.

Opening of the Summit

7. H.E. Dr. A. Pastrana, President of the Republic of Colombia, declared the XII Summit of Heads of State or Government of the Non-Aligned Countries open.

8. The Summit observed a minute of silence in memory of the leaders of the Movement of the Non-Aligned Countries who had passed away since the XI Summit Conference.

9. H.E. Dr. A. Pastrana, President of the Republic of Colombia, in his capacity as Chair of the XI Summit, presented the report on the activities of the Movement during the 1995-1998 period. The statement of President Pastrana will be reflected in the records as an official document (DS/HOS/8).

10. At the motion of President Pastrana, the Summit elected President Mandela of South Africa as Chair of the XII Summit of Heads of State or Government of the Non-Aligned Countries by acclamation.

11. H.E. Mr. NR Mandela, President of the Republic of South Africa, delivered the inaugural address, which the Summit resolved by acclamation to adopt as an official document (DS/HOS/3).

12. H.E. Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary General of the United Nations, addressed the opening session of the Summit.

13. The statement by the Secretary General of the United Nations was followed by the statements of the representatives of the various regional groups, in the following order:

On behalf of the African countries: H.E. Dr. Sam Nujoma, President of Namibia

On behalf of the Asian countries: H.E. Mr. Jargalsaikhan Enkhsaikhan, Special Envoy and Permanent Representative of Mongolia to the United Nations

On behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean countries: H.E. Dr. Fidel Castro, President of Cuba

On behalf on the European countries: H.E. Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of Cyprus.

Adoption of the Agenda

14. The Summit approved the following agenda (DS/HOS/1):

1. Opening Ceremony
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Report by the Chair of the Preparatory Meeting at Ministerial Level
4. Election of Officers
5. Organisation of work
6. Admission of new members and participation as observers
7. Report by the Chair of the Eleventh Conference of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries
8. Report by the Chair of the Ad Hoc Panel of Economists
9. Report by the Chair of the Ministerial Committee on Methodology

10. Review of the international political and economic situation and the role of the Non-Aligned Movement in the new Millennium
11. Consideration and adoption of the Final Documents.
12. Dates and venues of the meetings of the Non-Aligned Movement
13. Other matters
14. Closing Session

Report by the Chairman of the Preparatory Meeting at Ministerial Level

15. The Chair of the Ministerial Meeting, H.E. Mr. Alfred B. Nzo, Minister of Foreign Affairs of South Africa, presented the Report to the XII Summit of Heads of State or Government of the Non-Aligned Countries (DS/MM/3). The Summit took note of the report.

16. At the recommendation of the Preparatory Meeting at the Ministerial Level, the Summit decided that the Bureau would be composed as follows:

Chair: South Africa
Vice Chairs

- Africa: Algeria, Angola, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Egypt, Morocco, Nigeria and Sudan
- Asia: Bangladesh, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, India, Pakistan, Palestine, Sri Lanka, Syrian Arab Republic, Viet Nam
- Latin America and the Caribbean: Peru, Suriname, Guyana
- For Europe: Cyprus and Malta

The Summit also decided by acclamation that Colombia, in its capacity as immediate past Chair, would sit on the Bureau of the Conference as an *ex-officio* member.

17. The Summit noted that H.E. Mr. Aziz Pahad, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, had been appointed as Secretary General of the XII Summit, and that Mr. Jackie S. Selebi, Director-General of the Department of Foreign Affairs, had been appointed as Secretary of the Summit

18. The Summit established a Political Committee, under the Chair of H.E. Dr Javad Zarif, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran, to review Chapter I, Global Affairs, and Chapter II, Analysis of the International Situation; and an Economic Committee, under the Chair of H.E. Mr. Daudi Mwakawago, Permanent Representative of the United Republic of Tanzania to the United Nations, to review Chapter III, Economic Affairs, and Chapter IV, Social Affairs, of the Draft Final Document (DS/L/1).

19. The Summit approved the recommendations presented by the Chairman of the Preparatory Meeting at the Ministerial Level which appear in the text of its report (DS/MM/3).

Applications for Admission of New Members and for Participation as Observers

20. On behalf of the members of the Non-Aligned Movement, H.E. Mr. Nelson Mandela, President of the Republic of South Africa, welcomed Belarus as a member of the Movement. H.E. Mr. Ivan Antonovich, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belarus, responded and expressed his Government's gratitude for the granting of membership of the Movement.

REPORT BY the CHAIR OF the AD HOC PANEL OF ECONOMISTS

21. The Chair of the Ad Hoc Panel of Economists, Dr. Gamani Corea, presented the report of the Panel to the Heads of State or Government (DS/MM/2).

Report by the Chair of the Ad Hoc Panel of Economists

22. The Report of the Ministerial Committee on Methodology of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, previously circulated by Colombia, was adopted.

Report of the President of the XI Summit of Heads of State or Government of the Non-Aligned Countries

23. The report was presented by President Pastrana during his address to the Summit. The Summit took note of the report.

Review of the International Political and Economic Situation and the Role of The Non-Aligned Movement in the New Millennium

24. The Summit devoted 3 Plenary Meetings to the general debate. During the general debate, the floor was taken by the following member countries:

Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus*, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam*, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia*, Cape Verde, Chile, Cote d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cameroon, Comoros*, Cyprus, Democratic People's Republic of Korea*, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea*, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic), Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritius, Mongolia, Morocco*, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia*, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palestine, Peru*, Philippines, Qatar, Rwanda, Saint Lucia and the Grenadines, Saudi Arabia*, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Singapore*, Syrian Arab Republic, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Tanzania, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela*, Viet Nam, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

** Countries which waived the right to speak and circulated statements in Plenary.*

25. The Summit also heard statements from the following observers and guests:

China, Ukraine, Brazil, Mexico, The New Independentist Movement of Puerto Rico, The Organisation of the Islamic Conference.

Consideration and Adoption of the Final Documents

26. The Conference reviewed the following final documents.

- The Durban Declaration (DS/HOS/7)
- The Final Document (DS/1)
- Report of the Rapporteur-General (DS/HOS/2).

The Conference adopted the Final Document.

27. Delegations were requested to provide reservations to the document in writing to the Permanent Mission of South Africa in New York within one week of the conclusion of the Summit.

28. The Conference adopted the Durban Declaration (DS/HOS/7).

29. The Conference adopted the report of the Rapporteur-General (DS/HOS/2).

Dates and Venues of the Thirteenth Ministerial Conference and the XIII Summit of Heads of State or Government of Non-Aligned Countries

30. The Summit welcomed the offer by the Government of Bangladesh to host the XIII Summit of Heads of State or Government of the Non-Aligned Movement in Dhaka during 2001 and asked Non-Aligned Movement countries to actively participate in that important Summit.

31. With regard to the Thirteenth Ministerial Conference, it was decided that the matter would be discussed at the Non-Aligned Ministerial Meeting to be held during the forthcoming fifty-third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Other Matters

32. The closing session of the Summit was held on 3 September 1998. H.E. Mr. Aziz Pahad, Secretary General of the Summit, solemnly presented the Durban Declaration.

33. The Representatives of the various regional groups presented a concluding statement:

On behalf of the African countries: H.E. Mr. Blaise Compaore, President of Burkina Faso and Chairman of the Organisation of African Unity

On behalf of the Asian countries: H.E. Mr. Jargalsaikhan Enkhsaikhan, Special Envoy and Permanent Representative of Mongolia to the United Nations

On behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean countries: H.E. Mr. Jules Wijdenbosch, President of Suriname

On behalf on the European countries: H.E. Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of Cyprus

34. President Nelson Mandela, President of the Republic of South Africa and Chair of the XII Summit, delivered the closing statement.