ADEN DECLARATION.

Under the blessing invitation of H.E.Ali Abdalla Salah, President of the Republic of Yemen, a dialougue took place between H.E.Abdullahi Yusuf Ahmed, President of the Somali Republic and H.E.Sharif Hassan Sheikh Aden, the Speaker of the Transitional Federal Parliament of the Somali Republic, they held direct talks and dialogue which took place in Aden, Yemen, from the second up to fourth January 2006;

The President of the Federal Republic of Somalia H.E.Abdullahi Yusuf Ahmed and the Speaker of the Transitional Federal Parliament of Somalia H.E.Sharif Hassan Sheikh Aden:

Conscious of the primary importance of the national interest of the Somali people over any other issue;

Deeply behaving in the pursuance of the dialogue started under the auspices of H.E.Ali Abdalla Salah the President of the Republic of Yemen with the view of reconciling and solving the differences of opinion among the members of the institutions of the State;

Guided by the provisions of the Transitional Federal Charter of the Republic of Somalia;

Believing that all sacrifices and unlimited efforts should further be made to restore security and stability in Somalia;

Considering and showing full response to the relentless efforts of H.E.Ali Abdalla Salah,the President of Republic of Yemen to ensure the settlement of all divergences which have existed among the Transitional Federal Institutions of the State;

We have agreed to issue this declaration, with the following provisions:

- 1. That both leaders have reached to start a new page and end their differences, which have brought serious damage to the discharge of the duties and responsibilities of the institutions, in an spirit of cooperation on which the Somali people were spinning their highest hopes.
- 2. That both leaders have agreed the necessity that inter active coordination should be based fully on the total respect of the principles and norms of the Transitional Federal charter, in accordance with normal state constitutional practices of permanent mutual consultations, so as not to allow any violation to the powers that the charter has attributes to each of the Transitional Federal Institutions of the country.
- 3. That the Transitional Federal Parliament should be convened within 30 days inside the country, with effect from today, to hold its official session in any place that may be agreed upon.
- 4. That both leaders jointly call upon the members of the Parliament and Government to put aside their fruitless squabbles and differences, urging them to come together and unite, placing the supreme interests of the nation above selfishness, while appealing to them, at the same time, for their full cooperation, in fulfilling the provisions of this declaration.
- 5. That the International Community, to fully support the efforts to convene all members of the Parliament to hold their first ordinary session, inside the country.

The President of the Somali Republic and the Speaker of the Parliament of the TFP, address jointly a vibrant appeal to the Somali people to contribute towards the implementation of self disarmament, putting to an end to their conflicts and differences using all peaceful means of mutual respect and dialogue.

They also appeal to the International Community to extend an emergency aid to areas and regions of Somalia which are now suffering from severe drought.

The President of the Republic of Somalia and the Speaker of the TFP, jointly address, on behalf of the Somali people, deep thanks and gratitude to H.E.Ali Abdalla Salah for the brotherly role he has displayed in a sincerely effort to solve the protracting crises that the Somali people had been confronted with.

The Speaker of the TFP of the Somali Republic H.E.Sharif Hassan Sheikh Aden

The President of the Somali Republic H.E.Abdullahi Yusuf Ahmed

Done in Aden, on 5th January 2006; at the 22nd May Presidential Palace, Aden,Republic of Yemen.