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Letter dated 3 October 1989 from the Permanent Representative of
Kenya to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to request that you arrange for the distribution as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 27, of the resolutions adopted by the Council of Ministers of the **Organization of African Unity** at its fifteenth ordinary session, held at Addis Ababa from 17 to 22 July 1989 (annex I), and the Declaration on Namibia (annex II) and the resolutions adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its twenty-fifth ordinary session, held at Addis Ababa from 24 to 26 July 1989 (annex III).

(Signed) Michael G. OKEYO
Ambassador

Permanent Representative of Kenya
to the United Nations

ANNEX I

Resolutions adopted by the Council of Ministers of the
Organisation of African Unity at its fiftieth ordinary
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C44/Res.1206 (L)

RESOLUTION ON NAMIBIA

The Council of **Ministers** of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth *Ordinary* Session in **Addis** Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the **report** of the Co-ordinating Committee **for** the Liberation of **Africa, as well as** the report of the Secretary-General on the Situation in Southern Africa and having taken note of the information provided by the South **West** African People's Organization (**SWAPO**),

Having also seriously reviewed the unfolding events relating to the implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 435 (1978).

Deeply disturbed by the racist Pretoria regime's designs and schemes to manipulate the implementation of Namibia's independence process in favour of its **puppets and** collaborators in **flagrant** violation of the letter and spirit of United Nations **Security** Council 435 (1978),

Further reiterating its resolutions, decisions and **recommendations** on the struggle for the liberation of Namibia being waged by **SWAPO** and its all-round support to that struggle,

Reaffirming the **inalienable** rights of the **Namibian** people to freedom **and** independence in conformity with the **OUA** and UN Charters,

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Deeply concerned about **the** deteriorating security **situation**, especially widespread cases of murder, intimidation and harassment of **SWAPO members**, supporters and **sympathizers** by the notorious **elements** of the South African murder squads :

1. WELCOMES the commencement of the implementation **of** the United Nations Security Council Resolution **435 (1978)**;
2. DEPLORES the inadequate deployment of UNTAG in Namibia at the **start** of the implementation of United Nations Security **Council** Resolution **435 (1978)** in April 1989, which enabled racist South Africa's army **of** occupation to hunt down and **massacre** SWAPO combatants **based in Namibia**;
3. CALLS UPON the United Nations **Secretary** General to **take all measures**, including increasing the military component of UNTAG to **7500** **as** provided for in United Nations Security Council Resolution **435 (1978)**, **so** as to ensure racist South 'Africa's compliance with the resolution and create conditions for free and fair **elections** in **Namibia**;
4. STRONGLY **CONDEMNS** the **decision** to deploy racist South **African** forces on the eve of Namibia's transition to independence, **and** **the** unwarranted military attacks against SWAPO combatants awaiting confinement to base in accordance with **the provisions of United Nations Security Council Resolution 435 (1978)**, as well as **the** atrocities committed **against** the civilian population in Namibia;

5. **HAILS** the timely initiatives taken by the People's Republic of Angola, Republic of Cuba, **SWAPO**, the Frontline States as well as the measures taken by **President Moussa TRAORE**, Current Chairman of the **OAU** in April 1989, aimed at *bringing* to an end the crisis engineered by the racist Pretoria regime and the subsequent *carnage* and other atrocities committed against the People of Namibia;
6. **STRONGLY CONDEMNS** racist South Africa's continued machinations, especially the integration of the Koevoet murder squads in the South **West** Africa Police Force, which is supposed to maintain law and order during the period of transition to Namibia's independence aimed at preventing **SWAPO** from winning the independence **elections** scheduled for November 1989;
7. **DEMANDS** the immediate **demobilization** of all **Koevoet** elements from the **police** force and the dismantling of their **command** structure in accordance with the provisions of the United Nations Security Council Resolution 435 (1978);
8. **DECIDES** to follow closely developments in Namibia and, in the event of continued violations by racist South Africa, of the provisions of UN **Security Council** Resolution 435 (1978) thereby threatening to wreck prospects for free and fair independence elections in Namibia, to convene an emergency session to consider appropriate action:

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9. **CALLS** UPON the United Nations Secretary General to urgently ensure the **overdue** release of all Namibian political prisoners held by South Africa and the repeal of all oppressive and **discrimanatory** laws and regulations as provided for in United Nations Security Council Resolution 435 (1978);
10. FURTHER CALLS UPON the United Nations **Secretary-General** to ensure that the voting system of proportional representation to be **used** in Namibia be straight-forward and simple so as to be understood by the **Namibian** people who **have** never participated in a democratic election!
11. APPEALS to the International Community to **urgently** extend all necessary **assistance** to the United **Nations** High Commission for Refugees (**UNHCR**) and **SWAPO**, to **facilitate** the speedy repatriation of all Namibian exiles so as to **enable** them participate in the elections;
12. REAFFIRMS the inalienable right of the **people** of Namibia to national independence and sovereignty in a non-fragmented and United **Namibia**, including **Walvis** Bay and the Penguin and other off-shore islands in accordance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 435 (1978);

13. STRONGLY **RECOMMENDS** that the United Nations discharge its full responsibility in ensuring its supervision and control of the elections, and that the Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary General proceed with the step by step implementation process only after he has satisfied himself that it will lead to free and fair elections as stipulated in the United Nations Plan for the independence of Namibia:
14. EXPRESSES satisfaction with the solidarity shown by the International Community with the just struggle of the people of Namibia and EXPRESSES its profound gratitude to all the States which **are** participating in the United Nations Transitional Assistance Group (**UNTAG**);
15. ENCOURAGES the UN Secretary-General and UNTAG and URGES them to pursue their efforts to ensure the full implementation of Resolution 435.
16. CALLS UPON the United Nations to exercise **its** full responsibility in implementing Resolution 435 (**1978**) on Namibia, without any deviations and not to allow South Africa to manipulate the interpretation of this resolution to its own advantage;
17. **CALLS UPON** the International Community and all democratic forces to monitor closely Namibia's independence process and to extend all necessary assistance to **the people of Namibia to realize** genuine independence;

10. FURTHER CALLS UPON the African *and* international ~~media~~ to counter the South African ~~propaganda~~ against **SWAPO and** to **take necessary measures** to fully cover the election events in Namibia.

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CM/Res.1207 (L)

RESOLUTION ON SOUTH AFRICA

The Council ~~of Ministers~~ of the **Organization** of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary **Session**, in **Addis** Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the Report of the **Co-ordinating** Committee for the **Liberation** of Africa and the report of the Secretary-General on Southern Africa,

Having further ~~been briefed~~ by the ANC and the PAC on the current developments **inside** South Africa,

Gravely concerned over **the** extension of the **state** of **emergency**, passing of death sentences on **opponents** of **Apartheid**, continued **detention** without trial and intensified repression of all opponents of the minority **racist regime**,

Further concerned about **the deteriorating** health of political prisoners and detainees in **apartheid** prisons,

Deeply outraged at the use of poisonous chemicals by the **Apartheid regime** against members of the Liberation **Movements** and the mass **democratic movements**,

Having noted the so-called S-year manifesto of the racist National **Party**,

Aware that the impending **September 1989** elections **are** confined to **the** white minority population of South Africa,

Deeply concerned over the growing military co-operation between **racist** South Africa and Chile, Israel and Taiwan,

Convinced that current economic sanctions against the Apartheid regime **are** having the intended effects,

Further concerned at the continued aggression and **destabilization** against the **Frontline** and other neighbouring States **by** the racist regime of South Africa:

1. STRONGLY **CONDEMN**s the **regim** of terror being perpetrated under the state of emergency and death sentences **passed** on the opponents of Apartheid especially the Upington 14 as well **as long prison** terms imposed **on** the Sharpeville Six and the Delmas **Trialists**;
2. **DEMANDS** the **immediate end** to the judicial murders perpetrated by the racist **regime on** South African patriots whose real status according to **relevant** Geneva Conventions is that **of** prisoners of **war**;
3. FURTHER **CONDEMN**s the **continued** incarceration of political **prisoners** and detainees;
4. **DEMANDS** the **unconditional** release of Comrade Nelson M3nae.I.a **and** all **other** political prisoners **and** detainees:

5. FURTHER DEMANDS the immediate and unconditional unbanning of the ANC, PAC and all anti-Apartheid organizations;
6. SUPPORTS the campaign launched by Comrade Zephania Yothopsng, together with the International Red Cross, against South Africa's abject prison conditions which have directly resulted in Comrades Mandela and Mothopeng contracting tuberculosis, and DEMANDS that all prisoner8 and detainees in racist jails have access to proper medical care;
7. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the use of poisonous chemicals by the racist regime against members of the Liberation Movements and mass democratic organization;
8. CATEGORICALLY REJECTS the so-called National Party's 5-year manifesto as it aims at entrenching and perpetuating white domination;
9. REAFFIRMS that only an election based on one person one vote to a single unitary chamber can lead to the establishment of a non-racial and democratic South Africa;
10. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the growing military co-operation between racist South Africa and Chile, Israel, Taiwan as well as certain Western countries, and accordingly CALLS for the strict observance of the UN Security Council's arms embargo against South Africa;

11. REITERATES the appeal to the International Community to impose comprehensive and mandatory sanctions against the racist Pretoria regime;
12. STRONGLY URGES the international Banking Community not to reschedule the foreign debt of Apartheid South Africa and CALLS ON Pretoria's major trading partners to end double taxation agreements with racist South Africa, terminate trade credit guarantees and oppose gold loans and swaps;
13. CALLS UPON the International Community to continue and expand all-round isolation of Apartheid South Africa;
14. STRONGLY SUPPORTS the decisions of the UN General Assembly to convene a Special Session on Apartheid and its destructive consequences in Southern Africa in December 1989;
15. HAILS the timely initiatives of the Association of African Jurists (AAJ) to set up in Groote (Senegal) at the end of this year, an International Tribunal to examine the crimes of Apartheid and EXPRESSES SUPPORT for this undertaking;
16. CALLS UPON OAU Member States and the International Community to increase all-round support to the National Liberation Movements and to further isolate the Apartheid regime.

CM/Res.1208 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE AFRICAN ANTI-APARTHEID COMMITTEE

The Council of **Ministers** of the Organization of African Unity, **meeting in its** Fiftieth Ordinary Session in **Addis** Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Noting that in pursuance of the recommendations of Declaration **AHG/ST.2** (XXIII) of the **Assembly** of Heads of State and Government and Resolution **CM/Res.1097(XLVI)** of the Council of **Ministers** of the OAU adopted in July 1967 in **Addis Ababa**, the Constituent General Assembly of the **African Anti-Apartheid Committee** was held in Brazzaville, the People's Republic of *the Congo* from 12 to 14 **January**, 1988

Recalling that the major objective of the Constituent General Assembly of the **African anti-Apartheid Committee** were to provide a continental framework for co-ordinating the activities of national **anti-Apartheid** Committee for the total **eradication of Apartheid** and effectively support the liberation struggle in Southern Africa,

Expressing the wish to promote and strengthen **co-operation** between the Organization of African Unity and the **African anti-Apartheid Committee**:

1. NOTES and EXPRESSES SATISFACTION at the establishment of the African **anti-Apartheid Committee**, a Non-Governmental Organization with its headquarters in **Brazzaville**, the People's Republic of the Congo;

2. FURTHER TAKES NOTE of the will of the African **anti-Apartheid** Committee to closely co-operate with the **Organization** of African Unity and the United Nations so as to intensify the **anti-Apartheid struggle** in Southern Africa;
3. **RECOMMENDS** to the African **anti-Apartheid** Committee to **harmonize its** activities with those of the United Nations Special **anti-Apartheid** Committee, the bodies of the United Nations System and their International **Organizations** concerned;
4. CALLS UPON the OAU Secretary-General to hold consultations with the Secretary-General of the African **anti-Apartheid** Committee with a view to defining the **modalities** for establishing appropriate co-operation links between the Organisation of African Unity and. **the** said Committee;
5. REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General after holding consultations with the **Secretary-General** of the African **anti-Apartheid** Committee, to make recommendations to the Fifty-first Ordinary **Session** of the Council of **Ministers** in **order** to establish effective co-operation between the **OAU** and the African **anti-Apartheid** Committee.

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CM/Res.1209 (L)

RESOLUTION ON FRONTLINE AND OTHER
NEIGHBOURING STATES

The Council of Ministers of the **Organization of African Unity**, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary **Session** in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the Co-ordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa and the report of the **Secretary-General** on Southern Africa,

Gravely concerned over the *ever* volatile situation in Southern Africa and the continued acts of aggression, intimidation and **destabilization** against the Frontline and other neighbouring States by the racist Pretoria regime,

Fully cognizant of the enormous **sacrifices** which the **Frontline** States continue to make in the *course of* the struggle for the total liberation of Africa:

1. COMMENDS the Frontline States for their sacrifices and support to the **ANC**, **PAC** and **SWAPO** in their legitimate struggle to **realize** the total liberation of Africa;
2. HAILS the emplacement of a Frontline **States** Observer **Mission** in Namibia and INVITES that Mission to continue to closely co-operate with the OAU **Representative** in Namibia:

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3. **CONDEMNS** racist South Africa's continued acts *of* aggression, intimidation and destabilization against the Frontline and other Neighbouring States;
4. FURTHER CONDEMNS the racist *Pretoria* regime for **its** continued support *for* the armed bandits in Mozambique and the **atrocities** being perpetrated **against** the People **of** Mozambique;
5. CALLS UPON the International Community to **exert** pressure on South Africa to stop its support *for* the armed bandits in Mozambique **as** well **as** acts of **aggression**, intimidation and destabilization against the Frontline and other neighbouring States;
6. REITERATES ITS APPEAL to the International Community to increase financial and material assistance to the Frontline and other Neighbouring States to enable them withstand South Africa's acts of aggression, intimidation, blackmail and **destabilization**.

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CM/Res.1210 (L)

RESOLUTION ON AFRO-ARAB CO-OPERATION

The Council of Ministers of the Organisation of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the **Secretary-General** on Afro-Arab Co-operation contained in Document **CM/1566 (L)**,

Bearing in mind the Declarations and Programme of Action adopted by the **First Afro-Arab Summit** held in Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt, from 7 - 9 March, 1977,

Determined to promote and strengthen Afro-Arab Co-operation in all **areas**,

Considering the recommendations of the Tenth Ordinary Session of the Standing Commission for Afro-Arab Co-operation held in **Kuwait State** of Kuwait, from 18 - 20 June, 1989,

Considering Resolution **CM/Res.993 (XL)** of February 1984 defining among other things, the composition of the OAU Committee of 12 on Afro-Arab Co-operation:

1. TAKES NOTE of the Report of the **Secretary-General** on Afro-Arab Co-operation:
2. ENDORSES the recommendations of the Tenth Ordinary **Session** of the Standing Commission on Afro-Arab Co-operation and CALLS UPON the **Secretary-General** to hold the necessary consultations with the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States and the other parties concerned with a view to ensuring the implementation of these recommendations;

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2. EXPRESSES ITS PROFOUND GRATITUDE **to** the State of Kuwait **for** the efforts deployed and the excellent facilities provided which contributed to the success of the Tenth Ordinary Session of the Standing Commission;
4. **COMMENDS** the **Member** States and the two Secretaries General of the **Organization** of African Unity and the League of **Arab** States, for the efforts deployed to hold the Tenth Ordinary Session of the Standing Commission under the best possible conditions;
5. CALLS UPON the **OAU** Secretary-General to conduct studies and take the *necessary* steps in close co-operation with his counterpart of the League of **Arab** States and in consultation with the **Specialized** African and Arab Institutions, for the implementation **of** the following specific projects :
 - a) proposed establishment of an Afro-Arab Financial Investment Institution:
 - i) preparation of the Draft Statutes,
 - ii) organization of a special meeting of **African** and Arab **Ministers** of Finance in **Washington** D.C. in September **1989** during the annual conference of the World Bank and the **IMF**, to consider the said statutes and determine the modalities for contributing financially to the capital **of** the Institution;
 - iii) Involvement of **ADB** and **BADEA** in this project.

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- b) draft framework agreement for investment promotion and guarantee;
 - c) meeting of African and Arab **Investors**;
 - d) draft framework agreement **for** the establishment of an Afro-Arab **Prefer-
ential Trade Area**;
 - e) organization of the **First** Afro-Arab Trade Fair in October 1990; the following 8 OAU Member states were selected to serve on the Joint Afro-Arab Trade Fair Organizing Committee: Burundi, Congo, Liberia, Uganda, **Sudan**, Togo, Tunisia and Zimbabwe;
 - f) organization of an Afro-Arab Seminar on Food Security;
 - g) opening of the Afro-Arab Cultural Institute in 1991 and provision of an initial budget of **US\$500,000** to be contributed by the three **organizations viz: OAU, LAS and ALECSO**;
 - h) intensification of exchange of programmes and information among the specialised African and Arab Institutions.
6. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to hold all **necessary** consultations **with his counterpart** of the League of Arab States and all interested parties, with a view **to** convening the **First** Session of the Afro-Arab Ministerial Conference, as early as possible:

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7. **RENEWS ITS THANKS to the** Republic of Sudan for **its continued willingness** to host the **First Session of the Afro-Arab Ministerial Conference;**
8. **FURTHER REQUESTS the** Secretary-General to hold all necessary consultations with **his** counterparts of the League of Arab **States** and all interested **parties**, with a **view** to convening the Eleventh **Session** of the Standing Commission on Afro-Arab **Co-operation**, in New York in **October 1989;**
9. REQUESTS the Secretary-General in close **co-operation** with his counterpart of the League of Arab States to carry out a study on the ways **and means of rationaliz-**ing the functioning of **Afro-Arab Co-**operation **structure³ with a view to** **enhancing** their performance and simplifying their procedures;
10. DECIDED to designate the Arab Republic of Egypt **as** a member of the **OAU Committee** of Twelve on Afro-Arab Co-operation, **to** represent the North African sub-region for the rest of **the** current term;
11. REQUESTS the **Secretary-General** to **submit** a report on the implementation of this resolution to **the** next Session **of** the **Council** of Ministers.

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Annex

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF RESOLUTION
ON AFRO-ARAB CO-OPERATION**

	<u>SUMMARY</u>	<u>US\$</u>
1989-90	108,424.00
1990-91*..a.....	<u>456,667.00</u>
		565,091.00

I. 1989 - 1990 Financial Year

A. Meeting of African and Arab Ministers of Finance - September 1983	70,000.00
B. Meeting of Experts, establishment of Afro-Arab Preferential Trade Area - October 1989	20,000.00
c. Afro-Arab Trade Fair	
1. Meeting of the Organizing Committee - October 1989	<u>18,000.00</u>
Total I	108,424.00

II. 1990 - 1991 Financial Year

2. Meetings of Organizing Committee (1990 - 1991)	43,757.00
3. Organization of First Trade Fair	
3.1 Publicity campaign	150,000.00
3.2 Costs of participation of the Secretariat and of members of the OAU Organiz- ing Committee	54,479.00
3.3 Contingencies	1,764.00
D. OAU contribution to 1990/91 budget of the Afro-Arab Cultural Institute	166,667.00

E. Seminar on Food Security	<u>40,000.00</u>
Total II	456,667.00
Overall Total (I and II)	<u>565,091.00</u> =====

H.B. No allocations were made *for* the **Organization** of the above-mentioned **meetings** decided on in Kuwait in **June 1989**.

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CM/Res.1211 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

The Council of ~~Ministers~~ of the ~~Organization~~ of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the ~~Secretary-General~~ of the ~~Organization~~ of African Unity on the Middle East as contained in Document CM/1544 (L),

Guided by the principles and purposes of the Charters of the OAU and the United Nations, and by the common determination of the African and Arab peoples to fight jointly to safeguard their independence,

Recalling the successive resolutions adopted previously by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government, and the Council of ~~Ministers~~ of the OAU on the situation in the Middle East,

Noting with deep concern that in spite of the many resolutions adopted particularly by the United Nations General Assembly, the Security Council, the Organization of African Unity and the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries urging Israel to withdraw from Arab territories occupied since 1907, including Jerusalem, not only has Israel persistently refused to comply with these resolutions but continue to pursue its expansionist, repressive and occupationist policy,

Affirming its concern over Israel's *continued* policy of thwarting the efforts aimed at finding a just solution to the Palestinian problem within the framework of an international peace conference)

Noting with concern that the collusion between the Zionist regime of Israel and the Apartheid regime of South Africa is aimed at promoting, the policy of terrorism and liquidation of the Palestinians and Arabs in the occupied territories on one hand and the majority of the population of South Africa and Namibia on the other:

1. REAFFIRMS *all previous* resolutions adopted by all the Sessions of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers of the OAU on the Middle East Question and Palestine;
2. FURTHER REAFFIRMS ITS SUPPORT *for* the struggle of the Arab countries, victims of Israeli aggression, and its support for the Palestinian people in their just legitimate struggle to recover their usurped rights and their occupied territories; and REAFFIRMS ITS FULL and EFFECTIVE SUPPORT for the struggle of the Palestinian people under the leadership of its sole legitimate representative, the Palestine Liberation Organization;
3. AFFIRMS ITS SUPPORT for the efforts of the Special Committees on Palestine, affiliated to the United Nations, the Non-aligned Movement and the Committee of Seven in the League of Arab States;

4. STRONGLY **CONDEMNES** Israel , the occupying power:
for not complying with the provisions of the
Fourth Geneva Convention of 12 August 1949,
on the Protection of Civilian Persons in **Time** of
War;
5. **CONDEMNS** VIGOROUSLY the confiscation of
Palestinian **territories**, the establishment of
settlements by Israel **in** Palestine and other
occupied Arab **territories;**
6. **MAKES** AN URGENT **APPEAL** to the international
community to **exert** an **effective** pressure on
Israel in all fields until it complies with
the principles of international **law** and put
and end to its occupation **of** Palestinian and
other **occupied** territories)
7. REITERATES 'ITS REQUEST to the Security Council
to take the **necessary measures** to **secure**
international protection for the Palestinian
people in the occupied territories **until** they
are able to *exercise* their inalienable rights;
8. STRONGLY SUPPORTS the convening of an
International Conference with mandatory **power**
on the situation in **the** Middle East **under the**
auspices of the **United Nations with the super-**
vision of the Permanent **Members** of the Security
Council as **well as all the parties concerned**
including the **Palestine Liberation Organiza-**
tion, as a **party** on equal footing with other
parties;

9. STRONGLY CONDEMNS the continued occupation of Southern Lebanon and CALLS for the implementation of Resolution 825 adopted in 1978 by the United Nations Security Council stipulating respect of the territorial integrity of Lebanon *and* the immediate ~~evacua-~~
~~tion~~ from occupied Lebanese territories)
10. COMMENDS the *efforts* deployed by the Committee of Three, comprising Algeria, Morocco and Saudi Arabia, which was set up by the Extraordinary Arab Summit Conference, held in Casablanca from 23 to 26 May, 1989, to create favourable conditions for the establishment of the unity and sovereignty of Lebanon and CALLS UPON all the parties concerned to support its efforts;
11. CONSIDERS NULL AND VOID any measures taken by Israel in the occupied *Arab territories, aimed* at exploiting their resources and REQUESTS all States, International Organizations and investment agencies not to recognize Israel's authority over these *territories* and not to cooperate with it, in any form whatsoever in its illegal exploitation of these resources;
12. REJECTS all attempts and initiatives that ignore the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people, and which aim at aborting the heroic uprising of the Palestinian people and by-passing the Palestine Liberation Organization, the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people ;

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13. STRONGLY CONDEMNNS the alliance between the **racist** Tel Aviv and **Pretoria** *regimen* and their **co-operation** in the field of nuclear *energy* and armament which threatens security and **peace** in Africa and in the Middle **East**, and therefore CALLS **UPON Member** States to deploy all **efforts** to prevent these two **racist** *regimes* **from** implementing their planar
14. WELCOMES the cease-fire between Iraq and **Iran** and hopes that the peace talks will lead to the full implementation of Security Council **Resolu-**
tion No. 598;
- 1s. REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General *to* monitor the **developments** in the **Middle East** Question and **to report to** the next Ordinary Session of the Council of **Ministers** of the **Organization** of **African** Unity.

RESOLUTION ON THE QUESTION OF PALESTINE

The Council of **Ministers of the Organization of African Unity**, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia from 17 to 22 July, 1909,

Having considered the report of the **Secretary-General** on the question of Palestine as contained in Document CM/1545 (L),

Recalling the resolutions adopted by the previous sessions of the Council of Ministers and the Assembly of Heads of State and **Government** on the Question of Palestine and the problem of the Middle East,

Guided by the principles and objectives of the OAU and the Charter of the UN and the joint struggle against Zionism and Racism in order to attain freedom, independence and **peace**,

Further recalling all relevant resolutions of the United Nations and the Non-Aligned Movement on the Question of Palestine and the problem of the Middle East,

Noting the relevant reports of the United Nations **Committee** on the exercise by the Palestinian people of their inalienable rights,

Referring to the Resolutions of the Palestinian *National Council* at its Nineteenth Extra-ordinary Session held in **Algiers** from 12 to 15 November, 1988, and to the speech of the Head of State of Palestine, **Mr. Yasser Arafat** before the United Nations General Assembly meeting in its Forty-third Session in Geneva from 22 September to 15 December, 1988,

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Reaffirming the legitimacy of the struggle of the Palestinian people under the leadership of the PLO, its sole legitimate representative in order to retrieve their land and exercise their full national rights,

Following attentively and with deep concern the continued heroic popular uprising of the Palestinian people in the occupied territories to put an end to the Israeli occupation and to regain their national and inalienable rights, including their right to repatriation, self-determination and the establishment of their independent Palestinian State with Jerusalem as the Capital,

Noting with deep concern the continued escalation of Israeli aggressive repression against the Palestinian people and their leadership inside and outside the occupied territories,

Noting further with deep concern the alliance of the Zionist regime of Israel and the **Apartheid** regime of South Africa, both countries adopting a terrorist policy against the Palestinian people and the Arabs in the Arab and Palestinian occupied territories on one hand, and the peoples of South Africa and Namibia on the other,

Noting with profound indignation the statements made by Israeli Ministers, including the recent one by Minister Sharon calling for the physical elimination of President Yasser **Arafat**, and other PLO leaders,

Gravely concerned by the threats in that they constitute fresh acts of aggression on the part of Israel against any African or Arab country;

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1. REAFFIRMS all the previous resolutions and recommendations adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government and the Council of Ministers on the **Question of Palestine;**
2. FURTHER REITERATES:
 - (a) the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people to return to their **homes** and in Palestine **from** which they were displaced and recover their property;
 - (b) the inalienable right of the Palestinian people to self-determination without any outside interference and the establishment of their independent Sovereign Palestinian State on their homeland with Jerusalem as **Capital;**
3. DEMANDS the immediate unconditional withdrawal of Israel **from** all Palestinian occupied **territories** including Jerusalem, and CALLS ON the UN and more specially the Security Council, to **take** all the necessary measures to **put** an end to Israeli occupation of the Palestinian territories and extend the International Protection through **UN** machinery, to the Palestinian people and place **the** occupied Palestinian territories under the supervision of the United Nations for a specific period **as** part *of* the peace **process;**
4. CONSIDERS that the Resolutions **adopted** by the Nineteenth Session of the National Palestinian Council held in Algiers **from** 12 to 15 November, 1988, which led to the proclamation **of** the State

of Palestine, **its** acceptable of the United Nations Security Council Resolution 242 (1967) and 338 (1973) are a positive contribution to the efforts for the restoration of *a* just and **lasting** peace through the organization of **an** International **Peace Conference** under the auspices of the United Nations ;

5. CALLS UPON those States which **recognized** the State of **Palestine** to endorse its application to join the United Nations **Organization** and **its** Specialised Agencies]
6. AFFIRMS its support for the Palestinian Peace Initiative approved by the Palestinian National Council at **its** Nineteenth Session held in Algiers in November 1988, and announced by *President Yasser Arafat* before the UN General **Assembly** in December 1988, initiative based on the Arab Peace Plan and International Law and approved by the Extra-ordinary Arab Summit held in Casablanca, from 23 to 26 May, 1989 and WELCOMES international support for this initiative)
7. SUPPORTS the stand taken by the **Palestinians** *according* to which **elections** should be held in the occupied territories after the withdrawal of Israel from these and, under international supervision **as** part of the overall peace process for the plan proposed by Israel **aims at** undermining the popular Palestinian uprising, by-passing the Palestine Liberation Organisation and circumventing the **inalienable** rights of the Palestinian **people;**

8. EXPRESSES ITS UNCONDITIONAL SUPPORT for the legitimate popular **uprising of the** Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territories and CALLS ON **Member States** to urgently provide the PLO with **concrete assistance to enable it to continue** to support the uprising of *the* militant Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian **territories;**
9. STRONGLY CONDEMNS Israel, the occupying power for **its** policy of repression, aggression, terrorism, torture and deportation aimed at suppressing the Palestinian people in the occupied **territories;** for its continued policy of occupation, confiscation of land and exploitation of **water resources;** policy of deportation, detention bone breaking, causing of abortion, use of toxic **gas** and chemical weapons, burial and burning of people, all the above constituting a flagrant violation of the Universal **Declaration** on Human Rights, International Law and the Fourth Geneva Conventioar
10. CONDEMNS the death call **made by some** Israeli leaders and in particular a Minister, Sharon, and CALLS for the **vigilance of the** International Community to prevent the implementation of **.these** threats ;
11. CALLS ON THE United Nations, particularly on the **Security** Council to take the **necessary measures** to ensure the release of Palestinian prisoners in the occupied Palestinian territories, the return of deporteesr to put an end to the terrorism

practised by the Israeli occupation authorities against the Palestinian people to see to the application of Security Council Resolution8 Nos. 605, 607, 606 adopted in 1988 and Resolution No, 661 adopted in 1989 and to the implementation of the Geneva Convention on this matter)

12. REITERATES ITS SUPPORT for the need to convene an **International Conference for Peace in the Middle East in accordance with the provisions of the relevant resolutions of the UN General Assembly particularly the Resolution adopted on 13 December, 1988, Conference to be held with the participation of the Permanent Members of the UN Security Council and the parties concerned including the PLO, the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people, on an equal footing with other parties;**
13. CALLS ON the Secretary-General of the **Organization of African Unity** to follow up the developments of the **Palestinian Question** and submit a report on them to the forthcoming **Session** of the OAU Council of Ministers.

CM/Res. 1213 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE QUESTION OF THE
COMORIAN ISLAND OF MAYOTTE

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 - 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report contained in Document CM/1543 (L) Part II,

Recalling the relevant OAU Resolutions on the Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte particularly Resolution CM/Res.1152 (XLVIII),

Recalling further the relevant resolution+ and decisions of the United Nations, the Non-Aligned Movement, the Islamic Conference and the League of Arab States,

Recalling finally the programme of action recommended by the OAU Ad Hoc Committee of 7, contained in DOC/CTTEE 7 (MAYOTTE) Rec. 1 - 9 (II) adopted in Moroni in November, 1989,

Reiterating the legitimacy of the claims of the Comorian Government relating to the reintegration of the Comorian Island of Mayotte into the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros,

Aware of the state of insecurity *prevailing* in the region, resulting from the presence in and control of the Comorian Island of France:

1. *TAKES NOTE of* the Report contained in Doc. CM/1543 (L) Part I I ;

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7. **REAFFIRMS** the sovereignty of the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros over the Comorian Island of Mayotte ;
3. **EXPRESSES ITS CONCERN** over the blatant intransigence of the French Government regarding the legitimate claims of the Comorian Government and the relevant resolutions of the OAU, the UN, the Islamic Conference, the Non-Aligned Movement and the League of Arab States ;
4. **FURTHER REAFFIRMS** its solidarity with the Comorian people in their determination to regain their political unity, as well as to defend their national sovereignty and territorial integrity ;
5. **INVITES** all OAU Member States to do everything possible individually and collectively to inform and sensitize French and International public opinion to the question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte so as to convince the French Government to end its illegal occupation of this island ;
6. **APPEAL** to all OAU Member States and the international community to categorically condemn and reject all forms of consultations to be held by France in the Comorian Territory of Mayotte, on the International Legal Status of Island, since the referendum on self-determination held on 22 December, 1974 remains the only valid framework of consultation applicable to the entire Archipelago ;

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7. ALSO **APPEALS** to all OAU Member States and the international community to condemn and reject any initiative which France may take to involve the Comorian Island of Mayotte in any demonstrations that would separate it from the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros;
8. **MANDATES** the OAU Ad Hoc Committee of Seven on the Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte, as well as the OAU General Secretariat to resume dialogue with the French authorities in order to pursue its efforts to restore the Comorian Island of Mayotte to the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros within the shortest possible time;
9. REQUESTS that the question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte remains on the agenda of all meetings of the OAU, the UN, the Non-Aligned Movement, the Islamic Conference and the League of Arab States until the Comorian Island of Mayotte is restored to the Federal Islamic Republic of Comoros;
10. FURTHER REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General to submit a report thereon to the next Session of the Council of Ministers.

CM/Res.1214 (L)

MOTION OF THANKS TO THE REPUBLIC OF CUBA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 - 22 July, 1988,

Conscious of the role played and the sacrifices made by the people and the Government of the Republic of Cuba, in true solidarity and brotherhood in the defence of the territorial integrity and independence in the People's Republic of Angola and for peace and security in that country,

Taking into account in accordance with the Protocol of Brazzaville of 13 December, 1988 and the New York Agreement of 22 December, 1988 the withdrawal of the Cuban Internationalist Forces from the People's Republic of Angola:

1. SALUTES those Cubans of the Internationalist Forces who fell in the battlefield of honour for the cause of Africa in general and of Angola in particular;
2. EXPRESSES ITS PROFOUND GRATITUDE to President Fidel Castro, the people and Government of the Republic of Cuba for their true solidarity and devotion towards the Angolan people in defence of its independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity.

RESOLUTION ON THE INTEGRATION OF WOMEN
IN DEVELOPMENT

The Council of Ministers of the Organisation of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1909,

Recalling the role that the women play in development process, as defined in the Lagos Plan of Action and the Final Act of Lagos as well as in the Arusha/Nairobi Strategies for the emancipation of the African Women,

Bearing in mind the important decisions and recommendations taken by the World Nairobi Conference during the evaluation of the Decade on the Integration of Women in Development,

Conscious of the vanguard role that the Pan-African Women Organization plays, pursuant to its statutes and programme of action, in the sensitization on the integration of women in the social and economic development of African countries,

Deeply concerned over the precarious health conditions in which most African populations live, and considering that women and children belong to the most vulnerable category,

Conscious of the need to provide the women unit established within the OAU General Secretariat, with the necessary human and financial resources:

1. APPEALS to all Member States of the OAU to set up national mechanisms, in the form of Ministries or other institutions, charged

with implementing the different strategies on the advancement of women, adopted by the Supreme Bodies of the OAU, if they have not yet done so;

2. REQUESTS all Member States of the OAU to ratify, where necessary, the United Nations Convention on all forms of discrimination against women;
3. REQUESTS Member States to intensify the training programmes, through the introduction of new techniques and appropriate technology concerning women as well as the functional literacy;
4. APPEALS to all Member States of the OAU to take the necessary steps to prepare the participation of women in the decision-making process on all levels;
5. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Fifty-second Ordinary Session on the implementation of this resolution.

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CM/Res.1216 (L)

RESOLUTION'011 THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE
TENTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE OAU DEFENCE COMMISSION

The Council of **Ministers** of the **Organization of African Unity**, meeting in **its Fiftieth Ordinary Session** in **Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the Tenth **Ordinary Session** of the OAU Defence Commission, contained in Document **CM/1546 (L)**,

Bearing in mind Decision **AHG/DEC 113 (XVI) Rev.1** on the establishment of an OAU Defence **Force**,

Recalling its Resolution **CM/Res.1073 (XLIV)** on the **need** to conduct an in depth study of the implications of the establishment of an African **Defence** Organ,

Determined to promote and **harmonize** co-operation among the Member States of the **OAU** in military matters, pursuant to **the** objectives of the **Organisation**,

Taking into account the recommendations of the Defence Commission in favour of the establishment of an **African** Defence Organ,

Convinced that only a concerted **political** will of the OAU **Member** States can help the Organization of African Unity to establish, a body capable of intervening rapidly in a **state of crisis**:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the report of the Tenth Ordinary Session of the Defence **Commission**, contained in Document **CM/1546 (L)**;

2. EXPRESSES ITS PROFOUND GRATITUDE to the Government and people of **the** Socialist Peoples Libyan **Arab** Jamahiriya for the excellent arrangements made thus ensuring the success of the deliberations of the Tenth **Ordinary** Session, of the Defence Commission;
3. **REAFFIRMS** the decision in principle to establish **an** African Defence Organ and REQUESTS the Defence Commission to pursue its studies on the modalities **of** establishing such an Organ, by analysing and assessing the budgetary implications;
4. **APPEALS** to all **Member** States to promote and intensify their co-operation **in** military matters, with the aim of fostering solidarity, ensuring mutual assistance, **complementarity** and independence ;
5. **TARES** NOTE of the **establishment** of a **sub-**Committee to study all aspects related to the smooth functioning of the Defence Commission;
6. CALLS UPON the Secretary-General to take all **necessary** steps to organise the **meetings** of the sub-Committee **of** the Defence Commission before the Eleventh Ordinary Session of the **Commission**;
7. FURTHER CALLS **UPON** the Secretary-General to monitor the **implementation** of this resolution **and** to report thereon **to** the Fifty-fourth Ordinary Session **of** the Council of Ministers.

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CM/Res.1217 (L)

RESOLUTION ON MAURITANIA-SENEGAL DISPUTE

The Council of **Ministers** of the **Organization** of African Unity, meeting in its **Fiftieth** Ordinary Session in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 **July**, 1989,

Deeply concerned about the recent regrettable events which took place between two brotherly **countries**, the Islamic Republic of Mauritania and the **Republic** of Senegal,

Noting With satisfaction the **praiseworthy** efforts made by His Excellency **President Moussa** Traore, President of **Mali** and Current Chairman of the OAU, to bring the two **parties** to the conflict to find a negotiated **solution** to their **dispute**,

Bearing in mind the relevant provisions of the Charter of the **OAU**, particularly those on the inviolability of borders **existing** at the time of independence, the **principles** of non-interference in the affairs of **other Member States** and respect of **Human and Peoples' Rights**:

1. PAYS GLOWING TRIBUTE to the happy initiative taken **by** His Excellency General **Moussa** Traore, President of the **Republic** of Mali and Current Chairman of the **OAU**, to restore harmony between the two brotherly **countries** and which contributed to **ease** tension;

2. ENCOURAGES the **Governments** of the two brotherly countries to show **political** will to **pursue**, within a spirit of African brotherhood and solidarity, the negotiation^{8 80} **as** to arrive, through peaceful **means**, at a solution to the dispute opposing them, in conformity with the principles and purposes of the Charter of the **OAU**;
3. RECOMMENDS to the Twenty-fifth **Session** of the OAU Assembly of Heads **of** State and Government to **request** the Current Chairman of the OAU to **pursue** the on-going mediation efforts, at the head **of** an Inter-African **Committee**, requested to assist him in his mediation **for** a comprehensive and peaceful settlement **of** the **crisis**, on the **basis** of the basic principle⁸ enshrined in the Charter **of** the OAU, particularly, the principle **of** inviolability of border⁸ existing at the **time** of independence, the **principle** of non-interference in the affairs of other Member States and the respect for Human and Peoples' Rights.

CM/Res.1210 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE REACTIVATION OF
NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the OAU Permanent Steering Committee, **contained in** Document CM/1552 (L) ,

Deeply concerned over the persistent critical economic **situation** in Africa,

Convinced that a **better climate** in international economic relations could **contribute to** the **recovery** of the world economy and, thus, to the economic recovery and development of Africa,

Further convinced that regular **consultations** between developed and developing **countries** on overall economic **issues** of mutual **interest** and **environment problems** could, in a **spirit** of interdependence, play a decisive role in reactivating the North-South **dialogue**:

1. HAILS the recent initiative taken in Paris by the **Presidents** of Egypt, Senegal and Venezuela as well as *the* Prime **Minister** of India towards starting a new round of regular **consultations** at Summit level **between developed and developing countries** on global economic and environmental **issues**;

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2. CONSIDERS that ~~this~~ initiative can **promote** a more fruitful North-South **Dialogue** and ENCOURAGES ~~its~~ promoters to pursue the **efforts necessary** to translate their ideas into action ;
3. **RECOMMENDS** that the **Assembly** of Heads of State and **Government** mandate its Chairman to take the *necessary* steps to **enable** Africa to contribute to the reactivation of **North-South** dialogue as advocated in the *Paris* Initiative.

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CM/Res.1219 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON NEGOTIATIONS FOR A FOURTH
ACP/EEC CONVENTION**

The Council of Ministers of the Organisation of African Unity, meeting at its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July 1989,

Having considered the report of the Seventeenth Session of the Permanent Steering Committee, particularly the item relating to the current negotiations for a fourth ACP/EEC Convention,

Recalling its resolution CM/Res.1194(XLIX) adopted at its Forty-ninth Ordinary Session,

Conscious of the fact that Lomé Convention constitutes a very important framework for North-South Co-operation, given its special and differential treatment for ACP states,

Concerned about the continued deterioration of the economic situation in ACP countries and the fact that the structure ACP/EEC co-operation particularly with regard to commercial co-operation has not meaningfully changed since Lomé I,

Noting that EEC total imports from ACP states have continued to decline and that commodity prices have been falling in real terms while the quantum of EDF resources has remained too low to have a meaningful impact on ACP countries,

Concerned about the likely effects on the EEC/ACP co-operation arrangements in the face of the proposed 1992 European Single Market,

Convinced that the present negotiations for a Fourth ACP/EEC Convention are aiming at preserving, consolidating and expanding an efficient and effective co-operation between the EEC and the ACP for the mutual benefit of our various countries

1. REQUESTS the AC' negotiators to ensure that improvement on previous conventions be not confined to broad generalities concerning objectives

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and scope of co-operation, but cover substantially areas that are of major concern for ACP countries;

2. REQUESTS FURTHER that ACP negotiators ensure that the STABEX system under the Fourth ACP/EEC Convention compensates for losses incurred on foreign exchange earnings from export commodities of the ACP states;
3. REITERATES the fact that a long-term strategy aimed at improving production, marketing and distribution of commodities as well as local processing remains a key element in solving the present range of problems faced by ACP countries and in this regard requests the negotiators to ensure that Lome IV includes a substantial technical and financial assistance from EEC to ACP states)
4. RECOMMENDS "the Memorandum of Africa's commodities problems and recommended measures for the revitalization and diversification of the section" to serve as guidelines on negotiations on commodities;
5. CALLS UPON the ACP negotiators to ensure that EEC countries commit themselves to halting and reversing protectionism as well as eliminating the escalation of tariff and non-tariff barriers affecting the exports of ACP states;
6. FURTHER CALLS UPON the negotiators to ensure relaxation of the rules of origin which in their present form discourage processing of ACP raw materials destined for the EEC market;
7. REAFFIRMS its previous decisions and resolutions relating to the issues under negotiations such as regional co-operation, human rights, situation in Southern Africa, external indebtedness and dumping of toxic wastes which should continue to serve as African position in the on-negotiations;

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8. **ENDORSES** the African Alternative *Framework* on Structural Adjustment Programmes adopted by the African Ministers of Economic Planning and Finance as constituting the guidelines on negotiations on Structural Adjustment Programmes;
9. **URQZS** the EEC countries to look more positively on a possible review of the perennial problem of EDF allocations as well as the improvement of both the quality and quantity of aid and **URGES FURTHER** the EEC to create under **Lome** IV a financial facility to assist in the local processing of *African* mineral and agricultural raw materials into tradable and exportable products and further recommends the establishment of mechanisms for mobilising technical and scientific know-how to achieve this purpose;
10. **URGES FURTHER** the EEC countries to recognise that there *can* be no meaningful **ACP/EEC** trade arrangements without the protection of ACP Preferential margins or guaranteed access and to this end **REQUESTS** the European community countries to be more flexible during the negotiation% in the area of trade barriers;
11. **CALLS UPON** the **Secretary-General** of the OAU and the Executive Secretary of ECA to undertake, with the technical and financial support of the relevant regional and international organizations, particularly ADB and UNDP, an exhaustive study on the implication% of the 1992 European Single Market on the Economies of the *African* countries and submit to the Permanent Steering Committee of the OAU, proposals on short and long-term measures to be taken within the framework of the co-operation between Africa and EEC;
12. **FURTHER CALLS UPON** the Permanent Steering Committee to submit a report thereon to the Fifty-first **Ordinary** Session of the Council of Ministers.

CM/Res.1220 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON THE SPECIAL EMERGENCY FUND FOR
DROUGHT AND FAMINE CONTROL IN AFRICA**

The Council of Ministers of the Organisation of African Unity, meeting at its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, *from* 17 to 22 July, 1969,

Having considered document CM/1555 (L) relating to ~~the~~ report *of* the Secretary-General **on the operations of the Special Emergency Assistance Fund for Drought and Famine in Africa**,

Recalling Resolutions **AHG/Res. 133 (XX)**, **CM/Res. 962 (XLI)**, **CM/1006 (XLII)** *on* the modalities for operating the Fund,

Bearing in mind the statutes of the Special Fund especially the provisions of Article 7 paragraphs 3 and 4 and Article 2 paragraph (i) and (ii) of the Rules of Procedure *of the Policy Committee of* the Fund,

Considering the Decisions and Recommendations adopted by the Policy Committee at its Eighth Ordinary Session held in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 30 June to 1 July 1969,

Noting with satisfaction with commendable activities carried out by the Fund on behalf *of* Member States affected by drought and famine,

Seriously concerned by the critical financial situation of the Fund!

1. **TAKES NOTE** *of* the report *of* the **Secretary-General**;
2. **TAKES NOTE** of the decisions and recommendations adopted by the Policy Committee and **THANKS** members of ~~the Committee~~ and the Secretary-General for the relentless efforts made to ensure the proper functioning of the **Fund**;

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3. **EXPRESSES GRAVE CONCERN** over the lack of contributions during the period under review and **RENEWS ITS APPEAL to Member States to make** voluntary contributions and to those which had made pledges to honour their commitments;
4. **CONGRATULATES** the Secretary-General and the Steering Committee of the Fund on **measures taken** to mobilise new financial resources and **URQZS** the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures to **ensure** the implementation of the decisions of the Policy Committee;
5. **REQUESTS** the **Secretary-General, in particular, to take the** necessary steps to sensitise the **non-governmental organisations** in order to mobilise financial resources for the Fund;
6. **APPEALS** once more to Member States which have been awarded subventions and/or grants, to submit **periodic report% on** the implementation of the project% financed by the Fund to enable **it** ensure the follow-up and the evaluation of such projects;
7. **DECIDES** to renew the membership of the Policy Committee of the Special Emergency **Assistance** Fund for Drought and Famine in Africa as follows: Algeria, Qambia, Qhana, **Guinea**, Kenya, Lesotho, Libya, Malawi, Mauritania, Uganda, Rwanda, Chad and **Zambia**.
8. **SPECIFIES** that the **madate** of the 7 new Member States will begin as from the Ninth Session of the Policy Committee to be held in December 1989 and will stretch over a period of 3 years.

CM/Res.1221 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON THE SIXTH REPLENISHMENT OF
THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND**

The Council of Ministers of the **Organization** of African Unity, meeting in its 50th Ordinary Session in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia from 17 to 22 July 1989,

Recalling the United Nations **Programme** of Action for African Economic Recovery ~~and~~ Development 1986-1990 adopted by the U.N. **General** Assembly in June 1986 which ~~infer~~, called upon the international community to **make every effort** to provide sufficient resources to support and supplement the African Development effort,

Concerned that the flow of concessional resources to the continent has not been commensurate with the requirements and efforts being made by African countries to implement policy **reforms** and structural adjustment **programmes**,

Appreciative of the contributions so far made by the international community, especially to the African Development Fund towards **resources mobilization** for economic recovery and transformation,

Recognising the vital role which the **African** Development Fund is playing in Africa's socio-economic recovery and transformation and that the international community is fully aware of **the** need for providing increased concessional resources to enable the **African** Development Fund to contribute **more** effectively to the economic and social development **of** the African countries,

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1. APPEALS to the international donor **community** to increase substantially the Sixth Replenishment of the **African** Development Fund over the level **of** the Fifth **Replenishment** and to **increase** the grant portion of finance for technical **assistance**;

2. **APPRECIATES** the continuing efforts made by the management of the African Development Bank **towards** finding lasting solutions to the African **external** debt problemr

3. REQUESTS the management of the African Development Bank to intensify its efforts in **mobilizing** additional external concessional resources **from** developed countries **for** the economic and social **recovery** and development of Africa.

CM/Res.1222 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE AFRICAN ALTERNATIVE **FRAMEWORK**
FOR STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT PROGRAMMES FOR
SOCIO-ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND **TRANSFORMATION (AAF-SAP)**

The Council of Ministers of the **Organization of African** Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary **Session** in **Addis** Ababa, Ethiopia from 17 to **22** July, 1989,

Reaffirming Africa's development objectives as contained in the Lagos Plan of Action and the Final Act of Lagos; Africa's Priority Programme for Economic Recovery, 1986 - 1990 (**APPER**) and the United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development 1986 - 1990 (**UN-PAAERD**),

Recalling the United Nations **General** Assembly Resolution **43/27**, urging **African** countries to "increase their efforts in the search for a **viable conceptual** and practical framework for economic structural adjustment programme in keeping with the long-term development objectives and strategies at the national, sub-regional and regional level!"

Concerned with the unabated deterioration in the economic and social conditions in African countries in **spite** of the commendable efforts of African Governments to implement policy reforms and to undertake Stabilization and Structural Adjustment Programmes, often with the support of the International Monetary Fund (**IMF**) and the World Bank,

Convinced that African countries must continue to adjust their economies but at the same time ensure that any adjustment will bring about structural transformation and sustained growth and development,

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Having considered the African Alternative Framework for Structural Adjustment Programmes for Socio-Economic Recovery and Transformation (**AAF-SAP**) and ECA Conference of Ministers Resolution 676 (XXIV) and **Addis** Ababa Joint Statement by African Ministers of Finance on the "African Alternative Framework for **Structural** Adjustment Programmes for Socio-Economic Recovery and **Transformation (AAF-SAP)**";

1. COMMENDS the **timely** initiative of **Africa's** Ministers of Economic Development and Planning and Ministers of Finance for the preparation of the African Alternative Framework for Structural Adjustment **Programmes** for Socio-Economic Recovery and Transformation (**AAF-SAP**);
2. **ADOPTS** the African **Alternative** Framework for Structural Adjustment Programmes for **Socio-Economic** Recovery and Transformation (**AAF-SAP**) as a pragmatic framework which will assist **African countries**, individually and collectively, in formulating country programmes that integrate adjustment with transformation and growth;
3. TAKES NOTE of the major points **of** consensus agreed upon at the meeting **of** 10th **May, 1989** in Washington, convened by the World Bank to discuss issues concerning **SAPs** in Africa, and in this context WELCOMES that meeting **as** constituting an important beginning of the dialogues *on AAF-SAP*;
4. APPEALS to the International Community, particularly the multilateral development and finance Institutions, to show full understanding for the African point of view concerning structural adjustment:

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5. **RECOMMENDS** to the African governments to use **AAF-SAP** as the framework for **preparing** their country **programmes** and for negotiating **assistance** from the donor **community** and to **organize national** and **sub-regional seminars** on the **implementation** of the **AAF-SAP** with the **assistance** of the **ECA, OAU** and **ADB**;
6. **REQUESTS** the **African Group of Ambassadors** at the United Nations in New York to **have placed on the** Agenda of the Forty-fourth **Session** of the UN General **Assembly, an** item on the **consideration** of the **AAF-SAP** to enable the International community to **consider** the **issue in** detail.

CM/Res. 1223 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR
AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (IFAD)**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Recalling Resolution CM/Res.1174 (XLVIII) adopted at its Forty-eighth Ordinary Session from 19 to 23 May, 1988 on the Third Replenishment of IFAD's Resources and Resolution CM/Res.1119 (XLVI) adopted at its Forty-sixth Ordinary Session on IFAD's Special Programme for Sub-Saharan Countries affected by Drought and Desertification,

Emphasizing the key role of agriculture and, within agriculture, the traditional small holder sector, in bringing about the economic recovery and the revitalization of the development process in Africa,

Recognizing that IFAD, one of the few international institutions which is the direct result of the negotiations to establish the New International Economic Order and in which developing countries have a two-thirds majority of the votes is carrying out its mandate effectively and efficiently,

Recording their deep appreciation to the industrialized countries and to the overwhelming majority of developing countries which are Members of IFAD who, through their committed response to the Council's appeal made in Resolutions quoted above, have ensured a substantial level of contributions to IFAD's recently agreed Third Replenishment,

Underlining the necessity to ensure that on the basis of IFAD's present structure and operations, ways and means should be *agreed* upon to secure a sound and largely self-sustaining financial base for IFAD, thus ensuring the effective pursuit of its mandate long into the future:

1. URGES those few countries outstanding to inform IFAD of their contributions as soon as possible, but, in any event, before 15 September, 1989;
2. CALLS ON all developing countries who contribute to international Financial Institutions to give priority in the distribution of their financial contributions to those institutions such as IFAD in which they have a controlling interest.

CM/Res. 1224 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON THE COLLAPSE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS
FOR A NEW INTERNATIONAL COFFEE AGREEMENT**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Fully cognizant of the high dependence of African economies on a limited number of commodities as the source of their foreign exchange earnings;

Aware that the problem of African Commodities, which has over the decade manifested itself in such phenomena as declining prices, severe fluctuations and volatile price trends resulting in diminishing earnings from African Commodity exports,

Recalling all previous resolutions of the OAU on Africa's Commodity Problem which inter alia, calls on all commodity producing and consuming countries to negotiate effectively International Commodity agreements and arrangements in order to ensure stable and remunerative prices for producers and secured supply for consumers,

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Concerned about recent difficulties **confronting** negotiations of African **Coffee** Producers in their effort to negotiate and conclude **with their** consumer partners a new International Coffee Agreement,

Gravely concerned over steep decline **in** coffee prices as a result of the **suspension** of the **quota** system of the **International coffee** agreement and the **serious** damages this **situation** is inflicting **on** the economies of African **Coffee** Producers,

Appreciative of the stand taken by EEC in support of a new coffee agreement:

1. STRONGLY URGES all contracting **parties** to the agreement to **transmit** to the UN **Secretary-General** formal **notification** of their acceptance to the extender? agreement before 30th Septembr, 1989;
2. APPEALS to all **contracting parties** particularly the consumer countries to come to the **negotiating table** to **secure** an **effective new** agreement over the next 24 months;
3. REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General to communicate this **resolution** to the **Executive Director** of the International Coffee Organization for dissemination to all contracting parties of the International Coffee Agreement.

CM/Res.1225 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON CONTROL OF TRANSBOUNDARY MOVEMENTS
OF HAZARDOUS WASTES AND THEIR DISPOSAL IN AFRICA**

The Council of Ministers of the **Organisation** of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary **session** in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Recalling its Resolution **CM/Res.1153 (XLVIII)** on *Dumping* of Nuclear and Industrial Wastes in Africa and **CM/Res.1199 (XLIX)** on the *Global Convention* on the Control of **Transboundary Movements** of **Hazardous Wastes** respectively,

Noting ~~that~~ the **Basel Convention** on the Control of Transboundary Movements of **Hazardous Wastes** and **their** disposal as well as the Final Acts were adopted by the Conference of Plenipotentiaries at **Basel, Switzerland**, on 22 March, 1989,

Commending the solidarity *of* Member States and their high level **representation** at the Conference in response to the request of the Current Chairman, President **Moussa Traore** of Mali and its appeal contained in Resolution **CM/Res.1199 (XLIX)**,

Recognizing that, despite the laudable **efforts** deployed by the African Group during the Conference, there are still **some** inadequacies in the **Basel Convention**,

Aware of the fact that OAU Member **State6** have not *signed* the **Basel Convention** in compliance with the **decision** of the **African Group** at the Conference,

Conscious of the grave **consequences** that the dumping of **hazardous wastes** can have on the social and economic development of Africa in the field of environmental preservation,

Recognizing the need to draw *up* an African Convention on the Control and **Traneboundary Movement** *of* **Haaardous Wastes** in the Continent:

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1. **COMMENDS** Member States which have promulgated laws prohibiting all form of illegal transboundary movements of hazardous wastes into their countries and **CALLS UPON** those who have not already done so to enact similar laws;
2. REQUESTS the **African** countries in collaboration with the other members of the African, **Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Group** of States to continue to urge their EEC partners in the current negotiations for **Lome IV Convention**, the need for A total prohibition on the export of all illegal transboundary movements of hazardous **wastes** from the EEC to ACP group of states;
3. MANDATES the Secretary General of **the CAU** to undertake consultatione with the view to adopting a common **position** on the Basel Convention;
4. **CHARGES** the Secretary General of the **CAU** to continue the preparation and the holding in Bamako, Mali, of the OAU **Pan-African Coordinating Conference** on environment and lasting development, as **initiated** by the out-going Current Chairman. One of the chief aims of this Conference will be to draw up a draft reciprocal commitment of **African** states among themselves, aimed at *the* Implementation and effective prohibition of the import of hazardous wastes into AFRICA, as provided for in **Resolution CM/Res.1153 (XLVIII)** and **CM/Res. 1199 (XLIX)** of the OAU Council of Ministers as well as to lay the foundations for a rational organization for the movements and procesing within the African continent of hazardous wastes produced in AFRICA. This draft commitment should take into consideration both at the continental and marine are23, to ensure an effective control aimed at avoiding the flow of hazardous wastes into the African oceans;

5. DECIDES to **set up** a Working Group composed of legal and environment & experts to draw up a Draft African Convention on **the** Control of the Transboundary Movement of all forms Hazardous **Wastes** in the continent;
6. REQUESTS the Secretary General of the **Organization** of African Unity, in cooperation with the **ECA** Executive **Secretary**, the **UNEP** Executive Director and the **Executive** Directors of other UN bodies. **Organizations** and **Specialized** Agencies to lend the said Working Group all the necessary assistance;
7. **MANDATES** the OAU Secretary General to find ways and means of **strengthening** the structures of the General Secretariat of the OAU to enable it effectively **carry** out its new monitoring activities 'through **the** establishment of a regional **system** based on sub-regional structures, in close cooperation with the UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENTS PROGRAMME, including the Permanent Secretariat of the Convention;
8. APPEALS to the Executive Director of the UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME to help to develop close cooperation **between** UNEP and OAU so as to ensure firm support for the implementation of this resolution;
9. FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretary General of Organisation of African Unity to **submit** to **the** Fifty-first Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers, a progress report on the implementation of this resolution.

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CM/Res.1226 (L.)

RESOLUTION ON THE CANDIDATURE OF DR. BERHANE GHEBRAY
FOR THE POST OF SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE GROUP OF
AFRICAN CARIBBEAN AND PACIFIC STATES

The Council of **Ministers** of the **Organisation of African Unity**, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary **Session** in **Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**, from 17 - 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the **Ministerial Committee** on Candidatures,

Considering the need for Africa to play a **leading role** in **international organizations**,

Considering further the **importance** and interest which **Africa** attaches to **ACP/EEC Cooperation**,

Considering further that the **post of Secretary-General** of the **African CARIBBEAN and Pacific States** will soon fall **vacant**,

Taking into account the professional experience and **participation** of **Dr. Berhane Ghebray** in various activities **of the Group**,

- 1.. **TAKES NOTE** of the recommendation of the **Ministerial Committee on Candidatures** in favour of **Dr. Berhane Ghebray**;
2. **DECIDES** to **SUPPORT** **Dr. Berhane Ghebray** as the **African Candidate** for the post of **Secretary-General** of the **Group of African CARIBBEAN and Pacific States**;
3. **REQUESTS** the **Secretary-General** of the **OAU** to forward this Resolution to the **African Group in Brussels** and to take the **necessary steps** to ensure the success of this candidature.

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CM/Res. 1337 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON THE OUTCOME OF THE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
OF AFRICAN MINISTERS OF MARITIME TRANSPORT**

The Council *of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity*, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the Document CM/Res.1553 (L) on the outcome *of the First Session of the Conference of African Ministers of Maritime Transport*,

Recalling its Resolution CM/Res.1169 (XLVIII) on the Development *of Maritime Transport in Africa and Resolution CM/Res.1198 (XLIX) on the Special Conference of African Ministers of Maritime Transport*,

Recognizing the important role played by the UN Convention on a Code of Conduct for Liner Conferences in stimulating the **development** *of Maritime Transport in Africa*,

Aware of the need for Africa to *prepare* thoroughly for the Resumed Session of the Review Conference so as to maintain the advantages **gained** from the implementation *of the Code*,

Further recognizing that the development ~~of~~ maritime sector in Africa depends to a great extent on the ~~establishment~~ and strengthening of **co-operation** between African countries,

Considering the traditional and privileged *economic* and trade relations existing between EEC and ACP countries and the need *to* reinforce them particularly with the African countries:

1. ENDORSES THE Declaration entitled "Declaration *of the Conference of Ministers of Maritime Transport of Member States of OAU on the UN Convention on a Code of Conduct for Liner Conferences*";

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2. **APPROVES** the establishment of a Working Group composed of Algeria, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Liberia, Mali, Nigeria, Senegal and Zimbabwe assisted by the OAU General Secretariat in co-operation with the ECA and MINCONMAR Secretariats to, inter alia, thoroughly prepare for the Resumed Session of Review Conference on UN Convention on a Code of Conduct for Liner Conferences **and** pave the way for more intensive intra-African co-operation in Maritime Transport;
3. REQUESTS the Secretary General of the OAU to take necessary and urgent measures to make the Working Group operational;
4. **FURTHER ENDORSES** the amendments to the relevant provisions of Lome III Convention in the field of Maritime Transport and directs the Secretary General of the OAU to transmit these amendments to ACP Secretariat and other sub-groups of the ACP Group as Africa's position in this field;
5. **FURTHER REQUESTS** the OAU Secretary General to give all the necessary assistance to Member States in clearly defining their position with regard to Maritime Transport in the negotiations leading to the renewal of Lome III Convention;
6. **APPEALS SOLEMNLY** to EEC and to each of its Member States, reviewing the Lome III Convention and in the implementation of the European Single Act, to take necessary measures to assist African countries to realize their aspiration of increasing their participation in the carriage of their sea-borne trade and to promote the development of Maritime Transport in Africa;

7. CALLS UPON African countries to **intensify** intra-African co-operation in the field of Maritime Transport by **strengthening** the already existing **institutions** as the initial **steps** for creating a **coast** effective maritime rector in **Africa**;
8. URGES the **Secretary** General of the OAU to **pursue its efforts** in collaboration with all relevant African and international **organizations** in the preparation of an African Maritime **Charter**;
9. FINALLY **REQUESTS** the **Secretary General** to report on **the** implementation of this resolution.

Annex

1. It is proposed to **organize** two meetings of the Working Group in **Addis** Ababa and Lagos. The General **Secretariat** will service these meetings. The duration of each **meeting** will **be 7 days**.

Staff required **for** servicing the meetings will **be as follows**:

- 4 Interpreters, 2 Officers,
4 Secretaries and 4 Translators
Estimated Cost **US\$50,000.00**

2. **It is envisaged** that as preparatory to the work of the Working Group, there will be two meetings with **UNCTAD** in Geneva and **IMO** in London. **One** Officer will participate in these meetings that will last 15 days.

Estimated Cost **US\$ 7,618.00**

3. Participation of one Officer in ACP/EEC Negotiating **Meetings for 15 days**.

Estimated Cost **US\$ 7,618.00**

4. Conduct of specific studies **in** Maritime Transport.

- Engagement **of** a consultant **for** 6 months.
- Payment of salary of P5 Officer and per diem
including **travelling**
Estimated Cost **US \$40,624.00**

5. Second Session of **the** Conference of **Ministers** of **Maritime** Transport. The Conference will be preceded by a preparatory meeting of Experts. The estimated cost includes also preparation of **basic** documents.

Estimated Cost **US\$65,000.00**

TOTAL **US\$170,860.00**

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CM/Res.1228 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE CONSTITUENT CONGRESS OF THE
PAN-AFRICAN UNION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PUST)

The Council of **Ministers** of *the* Organization of African Unity, meeting in **its** Fiftieth Ordinary **Session** in **AddisAbaba**, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Recalling **its** Resolution CM/Res.1048 (XLIV) and CM/Res.1121 (XLVI) on the **First** Congress of **African Scientists**,

Recalling the commitment undertaken in June 1987 by African Scientists **"to** shoulder their full responsibility in the development of the African Continent" (**Brazzaville** Declaration on **Science and Technology** in **Africa**),

Recalling the **Addis Ababa Declaration** adopted during the 25th **Anniversary** of the OAU, **stressing** the role of **science** and technology in development,

Having heard the report of the OAU *Secretary-General* (Document **CM/1557 (L)**):

1. **TAKES NOTE WITH SATISFACTION** of the **activities** undertaken by **the** Pan-African Union of Science and Technology (**PUST**);
2. **CONGRATULATES** the **Secretary-General** of **Pan-African Union of Science and Technology (PUST)** and the Committee on their initiatives;

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3. EXPRESSES ITS **DEEP** GRATITUDE to **H.E. Denis Sassou Nguesso, President** of the People's Republic of the Congo and the Congolese Government and people for the considerable support extended to the Pan-African Union of Science and **Technology (PUST)** General Secretariat;
4. ACCEPTS WITH **PLEASURE** the offer of the Government of the Republic of Ghana to hold the Pan-African Union of Science and **Technology (PUST)** Constituent Congress in *Accra* from 27 November to 1 December, **1989**;
5. URGES the OAU **Secretary-General** to consider with the PUST a draft co-operation agreement on **subjects** of common interest to avoid any overlapping with the **OAU/STRC** of Lagos and the ARCT of **Dakar**;
6. INVITES Member States to encourage the **active** participation of African Scientists in the Constituent Congress of PUST due to be held in **Accra, Ghana** from 27 November to 1 December **1989**.

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CM/Res.1229 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON THE THIRD ORDINARY SESSION OF THE
OAU CONFERENCE OF AFRICAN MINISTERS OF HEALTH**

The Council of **Ministers** of the Organisation of African Unity meeting in its Fiftieth **Ordinary Session** in **Addis Ababa**, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the **Secretary-General** of the OAU on the Third Ordinary Session of the OAU Conference of African Ministers of Health held in Kampala, Republic of Uganda from 3 to 5 May, 1989, (**Document CM/1565 (L)**),

Mindful of the Declaration **AHG/Decl.1** (XXIII), adopted in July 1987 on Wealth **as a Foundation for Development**",

Conscious of the **need** to strengthen co-operation between Member States in the field of health to meet the growing challenges facing our continent,

Convinced that international co-operation in the field of socio-economic development can play an important role in enabling our continent to secure better health for all its people,

Concerned about the **difficulties** facing Africa in coping with the mounting problems such as the **spread** of AIDS, natural and man-made **catastrophes**, the dangers of the dumping of toxic and nuclear waste as well as the real financial constraints which are putting a **serious** strain on our health delivery systems

1. TAKES NOTE of the **Secretary-General's Report** on the Third Ordinary Session of the OAU Conference of African Ministers of Health convened in Kampala, Republic of Uganda from 3 to 5 May, 1989,
2. FULLY ENDORSES the resolutions contained in the **Report**;

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3. EXPRESSES its **appreciation** to the World Health Organisation the United Nations **Children's** Fund, the **Pan-African Centre** *for* **Emergency** Preparedness and Response, the Qlobal **Programme on** AIDS, for the technical assistance they rendered to facilitate the **preparations** *for* the **Meeting**;
4. **EXTENDS its** gratitude to the **Government**, leadership and **people** of the Republic of Ugsnda *for* the magnificent facilities **that led** to the **success of the meeting**;
5. CALLS UPON the OAU Secretary-General to report on the steps taken in the implementation of these resolutions and the progress achieve? in this endeavour, **to** the Twenty-sixth Ordinary Session of the OAU **Assembly of Heads of State and Government.**

CM/Res.1230 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON THE STRATEGIES FOR THE DECADE FOR
THE AFRICAN CHILD (1990-2000)**

The **Council** of Ministers of the **Organisation** of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary **Session** in **Addis Ababa**, from 17 to 22 July 1989,

Having considered the OAU **Secretary-General's** report on Child Survival, Protection and Development *and the State* of **Immunisation** of **Children** in **Africa** (Document **CM/1561(L)**),

Recalling **Resolutions** **CM/Res.1163 (XLVIII)** and **1164 (XLVIII)** of the Forty-eighth Ordinary Session of the OAU Council of **Ministers** held in **Addis Ababa** in **May** 1989,

Cognizant of **Resolution CAMH/Res.7(III)** adopted by the OAU Conference of African **Ministers** of Health in their **3rd Ordinary Session**, held in Kampala, Uganda, in May 1989,

Aware of the necessity to adopt the draft Convention on the Rights of the **Child** **at** the 44th UN General **Assembly Session**,

Considering the experiences and the **achievement** of the African countries over the past four years on the **mobilization** of social organisations and their networks **towards** expanded and **sustained** actions for the Survival, Protection and Development of Children and their mothers,

Conscious of the *short* and long-term positive impact of the **Grand Alliance** for Child Survival, Protection and Development, not only for enhancing children's well-being, but also for the benefit of the future African generations and the overall development of Africa,

Cognizant of the *fact* that **good** health constitutes a vital factor in African development,

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Concerned about the negative impact of structural **adjustment** programmes on vulnerable groups **such as women and children,**

Taking into account the progress **already** achieved by some countries in the implementation of the Bamako Initiative and the **innovative scheme to make** primary health care universally accessible to mothers and children,

Fully aware of the need to **strengthen** Child Survival, Protection and **Development** interventions, including immunisation and safe motherhood programmes for the sake of **both mothers** and their children in Africa,

Aware of interaction between Child Survival, Protection and Development and formal **as** well as informal education and the role of functional literacy in development,

Noting with interest **the** forthcoming World **Conference on** Education for All-Meeting Basic Learning Needs, to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, on 5 - 9 March 1990

1. ENDORSES the Declaration of the 1990s as the Decade for the **African Child;**
2. CALLS UPON Member States to intensify their political commitment to the cause of Survival, **Protection** and Development of **the** African Child;
3. **URGES** Member States to take every **necessary** action to ensure the full success of the Decade for the African Child and calls upon them to declare their *own* national 1990s **Decade;** and to set up a follow up mechanism to assess **such** decade;

4. URGES all **Member States** to support adoption of the Convention on the **Rights of the Child** at the 44th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, **and to consider its early ratification;**
5. FURTHER URGES **Member States** to play an active role towards the **mobilization** of all relevant social forces with **special** emphasis **on** the community or Grass-root levels so as to achieve the awareness, **knowledge** and action implied in **the** objectives of the Decade and of **relevant** strategies;
6. ENCOURAGES the **efforts to** convene a World **Summit** for Children **during** 1990;
7. CALLS ON **Member States** to support **the** concept of "Adjustment with a **Human Face**" in order to **protect investment in the** social **sectors** such as health and education⁸
8. **COMMENDS** UNICEF, **under the leadership** of its Executive Director, for the **continued support** to efforts on Survival, Protection and Development of the **African Child** and **all other agencies** working in this field **on** our continent *for the* achievements so far attained **in this** endeavour;
9. CALLS UPON **UNICEF, WHO and** other relevant UN agencies as well as **Non-Governmental Organizations** and the donor **community** at large to assist Member States in their efforts **to achieve the goals** of the Decade **through** financial, material and human support and to work **closely** with **the OAU Health Bureau;**
10. **FURTHER CALLS UPON** the **Secretary General** of the **Organization of African Unity** to **report** to the **52nd Ordinary Session** of the **Council of Ministers on the** progress achieved in the implementation of this resolution.

CM/Roc.1231 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE TWELFTH ORDINARY SESSION
OF THE OAU LABOUR COMMISSION

The Council of Ministers of the Organisation of African Unity meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the OAU Secretary-General on the Twelfth Ordinary Session of the OAU Labour Commission, Doc. CM/1159 (L),

Noting with satisfaction the positive results of the Twelfth Ordinary Session of the OAU Commission,

1. TAKES NOTE of the *report* and resolutions of the Twelfth Ordinary Session of the OAU Labour Commission;
2. INVITES all OAU Member States to implement in their respective areas the decisions and recommendations contained in the report and resolutions;
3. CALLS UPON the Secretary-General to provide in co-operation with the Advisory Committee the necessary technical and financial resources for the effective implementation of the resolutions of the OAU Labour Commission;
4. URGES Member States to keep the OAU Secretary-General informed of all activities undertaken as part of the implementation of the decisions, recommendations and resolutions contained in the report.

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CM/Res.12`4 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON THE THIRD SESSION OF THE AFRICAN MINISTERIAL
CONFERENCE ON THE ENVIRONMENT (AMCEN)**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session, in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July 1989,

Bearing in mind the significant role *OAU* played in the convening of the First African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN), in Cairo, Egypt, from 16 to 18 December, 1988,

Noting the significance of the objectives of the Cairo Programme of Action for Technical Cooperation between African States, in an effort to promote environmentally sound sustainable development,

Considering further that Africa's current economic crisis has deep-rooted environmental connections,

Having considered the Report of the Third Session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN);

1. APPRECIATES AMCEN's efforts in addressing Africa's environment problems in the context of a sound and lasting socio-economic development)
2. ENCOURAGES AMCEN to intensify its efforts in meeting the environmental challenges currently facing the continent;

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3. APPEALS to OAU Member States to act on the decisions and recommendations of the Third Session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment, particularly the signing and ratification of the African Convention on Nature and Natural Resources;
4. ENDORSES the recommendations, decisions and resolution⁶ of the Third Session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN);
5. CALLS ON the Secretary-General of the OAU to make available to the Joint OAU/ECA/UNEP Secretariat, the human and financial resources needed to better serve the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment;
6. CALLS UPON the Secretary-General of the Organisation of African Unity in collaboration with the Executive Secretary of ECA and the Executive Director of UNEP, to continue to co-operate with AMCEN.

CM/Res. 1233 (1.)

**RESOLUTION ON ASSISTING SWAPO BUILD UP ITS
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS**

The Council of **Ministers** of the **Organization** of *African* Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in **Addis** Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1999,

Having considered the address on the status ~~in~~ the information and communication in Africa ~~read~~ by the Chairman of the Inter-Governmental Council on Communications in **Africa** (ICC) and **Current** Chairman of the *Conference* of African **Ministers** of Information,

Aware of the importance of information and ~~com-~~ municationr in nation building,

Convinced that *SWAPO* needs to be assisted to build **up its** information and communications systems,

Conscious of the need for the presence of **Africa's** Information **Service** in Namibia during the electoral process,

Conscious of the propaganda war waged by the South African regime to **destabilize** the efforts of **SWAPO** in preparing for ~~the~~ independence of Namibia,

Aware of the ~~denial~~ to **SWAPO** of access to the media which **are** essential **for** proper information flow *during* the election campaign:

1. CALLS **for** OAU/ICC to urgently contact **SWAPO** *in* order to indentify their information and communications needs with a view to providing the *necessary* **financial** and technical assistance to the **organization**;

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2. **URGES Member States** to put at the **disposal** of **SWAPO** national information facilities to help propagate **its** election campaign;
3. REQUESTS **OAU** Secretary-General **to convey** **to** the UN Secretary General the concern of Africa on the denial of information **facilities to SWAPO.**

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CM/Res.1234 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE STATUS OF INFORMATION
AWD COMMUNICATION IN AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the **Organization of African Unity**, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary **Session** in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, **1989**,

Having been briefed by the Chairman of the **Inter-Governmental Council on Communication in Africa (ICC)** and **the** Chairman of the **Conference of African Ministers of Information**, on the current status of information and communication in the Continent,

Convinced that the Information **and** Communication **sectors constitute a corner-stone of the socio-economic development process**,

Aware of the efforts that the ICC **has** made to co-ordinate and **mobilize** the information and communication activities **in Africa**,

Desirous of guaranteeing Africa **a specific** identity in the field **of** information and providing it with effective means of communication,

Realizing the importance of giving the Information and Communication Sectors renewed attention and priority place to enable it to counter the challenges **facing** the Continent and counter distortion of information perpetuated by *foreign media*:

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1. *TAKES NOTE* of the statement *made* by the ICC **Chairman**;
2. **SUPPORTS** giving serious **attention** to promote the *information infrastructure* in the Continent by making available the **necessary resources** that will enable African information sectors to effectively **participate** in the Continent's development process by giving **active** support to regional African institutions **responsible** for information **especially PANA and URTNA**;
3. **WELCOMES** the idea of **establishing** a New African Information and Communication Order, **as prescribed** by the African Minister⁸ of Information, to ensure a balanced flow of information at the national and Inter-African **levels**;
4. **CALLS** for the available use of information and communication facilities to promote a self-reliant **growth** oriented and national unity in all **Member States**;
5. **FURTHER CALLS** for the formulation of national information policies *and* for the **treatment of information** *and* communication as priorities in the national development planar
6. **REQUESTS** the OAU Secretary-General to convene a **joint** conference for African Ministers of Information *and* **their** telecommunications counter-parts with a view to finding solutions to the technical difficulties experienced *by African information* and to guaranteeing proper and effective co-ordination between the two ministries!
7. **COMMENDS** the ICC Chairman, the Chairman *of* the Conference of African **Ministers of** Information, for his initiative to inform the Council on the status of Information and Communication in the Continent and for explaining the ways and **means** for the development of the Information and Communication *Sector*.

CM/Res.1235 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON THE NOMINATION OF THE MEMBERS
OF THE OAU AD HOC ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL**

The Council of **Ministers** of the **Organization of African Unity**, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in **Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report on the **Election** of the Members of the Administrative Tribunal (Document **CM/1568 (L)**),

Referring to the Rule 8 of Procedure of the **Administrative Tribunal**

DECIDE to **designate** Guinea **Bissau** and the Great Libyan **Arab Jamahiriya** to replace the **Gambia** and Gabon.

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CM/Res.1236 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE PARTICIPATION OF
YOUTH IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the participation of Youth in Development in Africa,

Aware of the considerable efforts being made by Member States in mobilizing youth in development and creating opportunities for their participation in the effort to promote global peace and friendship among all peoples,

Concerned about the role the youth should play in the socio-economic development of the Continent,

Recalling further that the activities undertaken during the International Youth Year (IYY) needed to be followed up,

Mindful of the need to create opportunities for productive and gainful employment of the youth and the right environment for self-employment,

Realizing that planning and programming efforts in the promotion of the participation of youth in development are seriously impeded by lack of empirical data on the social and economic situation of youth in some countries:

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1. **TAKES NOTE** of **the** Report of the Secretary-general *on the Participation of Youth in Development in Africa*;
2. **URGES** all Member States to lay emphasis on the promotion of employment *and the creation* of conditions favourable to creativity in Science and Technology while adopting policies and programmes on the **Youth**;
3. **CALLS UPON** the United Nations **System**, particularly the Vienna *Centre* for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs (CSDHA) International Labour **Organization (ILO)**, **United Nations** Education, Science and Culture **Organisation (UNESCO)**, **Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)** and **Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO)** to continue assisting the OAU *in* developing the programmes aimed at promoting participation of youth *in scientific* endeavours as well as preparing them *for* creative, productive and gainful employment *in* both the rural and urban **sectors**;
4. **URGES** the OAU **Secretary-General** to utilise the expertise available in Africa especially that of the regional **Organizations** such as the Pan-African Youth **Movement (PYM)**, the *Association* for Social Work Education in Africa (ASWEA), the *African Centre* *for* Applied Research and Development (ACARTSOD) *in* youth programme development and **evaluation**;
5. **REQUESTS the Secretary-General** In collaboration with regional *and* international **organizations** to continue carrying on the undertaking *of* a comprehensive survey *of* policies **and programmes** pertaining to social and economic **development** in Africa with a view to determining the **nature** and scope of **change that might** have taken place since the **IXY**;
6. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to report to the Fifty-second Session of the OAU Council of Ministers of the progress made in implementing this resolution.

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CM/Res.1237 (L)

**RESOLUTION ON AFRICA AND THE INTERNATIONAL
LITERACY YEAR (1990)**

The Council of Ministers of the Organisation of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, from 17 to 22 July 1989,

Having considered the Report of the OAU Secretary-General *on Africa and the International Literacy Year (1990) (Doc/CM/1556 (L))*,

Recalling Resolution CM/Res.800(~~XXXV~~) on continuing Adult Education,

Endorsing Recommendation No. 2 on the Declaration adopted by the Conference of Ministers of Education and Ministers of Economic **P**lanning of Member States, (**Harare**, June 1982),

Conscious of the fact that, despite the laudable efforts deployed by States, Governmental or Non-governmental Organisations, illiteracy still remains one of the social scourges afflicting our Continent,

Convinced that the objectives envisaged for the economic recovery and development of Africa make the eradication of illiteracy by the year 2000 imperative:

1. HAILS the proclamation of an International Literacy Year (1990) by the UN General Assembly;
2. URGES Member States to
 - a) sensitise, mobilize public opinion on illiteracy and the need for its eradication;
 - b) increase the financial and human resources allocated to literacy programmes;
 - c) strengthen cooperation and solidarity among Member States in this area and more particularly in the sub-regions;

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- d) increase their co-operation with **NGOs** and ensure a better co-ordination with them:
 - e) make a critical analysis of activities undertaken in this field and give consideration to the fate of adults, youths and women.
3. EXPRESSES SATISFACTION at the initiative taken by **UNESCO**, UNICEF and **UNDP** in collaboration with the World Bank with a view to launching a joint world literacy campaign:
 4. INVITES Member States to participate actively in this event;
 5. APPEALS to the International Community to increase its assistance to developing countries and in particular the Least Developed Countries in their efforts to eradicate illiteracy:
 6. REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the OAU to report periodically on the progress of the International Literacy Year.

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Annex

ADDIS/BOMBAY

1 First Class ticket	US\$2,555.00	=	USS 2,555.00
2 Economy Class tickets	US\$1,829 x 2	=	3,658.00

Per diem: S.G. US\$ 2,547.00

Director	US\$ 1,752.00		
1 Officer	US\$ <u>1,584.00</u>	=	US\$12,096.00

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RESOLUTION ON LOCUST AND MIGRANT PESTS
CONTROL IN AFRICA (CM/RES.1173)

The Council of Ministers of the **Organization of African Unity**, meeting in its **Fiftieth Ordinary Session** in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July 1989,

Considering the provisions of Resolution **CM/Res.1173(XLVIII)** relating to the studies to be conducted in the ecological and geographical zones of Africa with a view to transforming **mono-specific** inter-governmental organizations operating in Africa into **polyvalent** inter-governmental organizations involved in the control of migratory pests, and other organism@ harmful to plants and pat harvest produce in Africa,

Considering the volume of work already carried out since the adoption of that resolution by the **Forty-eighth Ordinary Session** and commending the **Secretary-General** for the activities undertaken,

Conaaiouc of the importance of the plant protection sector in the development of agriculture in **general** and African agriculture in particular;

1. APPROVES the Report contained in document **CM/1558 (L)** of the Socrotary-General on the implementation of **resolutions CM/Res.1173(XLVIII)** and **CM/982(XLI)**;
2. REQUESTS the **Secretary-General** to **accelerate** the **execution** of all actions undertaken pursuant to the above **resolutions**;
3. REQUESTS the **Secretary-General** to take the **necesary** s-keys in cooperation with the Government of **Cameroon**, host country of the African Centre for **Phytosanitary Research and Training (ACPRT)** to ensure the effective launching of the Centre in **October 1989**;

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4. **FURTHER REQUESTS the Secretary-General to:**

- (a) **continua with the preparation of regional reports ;**
- (b) **continue with the preparation of an-going projects and implementation of the various phases of work already started ;**
- (c) **set up as soon as possible, in accordance with Resolution CM/Res. 1173 (XLVI II) the Permanent Joint OAU/ECA/FAO Secretariat to expedite the search for financing for projects which have been finalised ;**
- (d) **support Member Countries in the preparation of national projects and the search for financing for projects that fall within the context of this programme ;**
- (e) **seek the appropriate ways and means to organise the management and follow-up of the various projects in the light of their scientific and technical specificity ;**
- (f) **prepare, as part of the programme, the guidelines necessary for the harmonisation of the administrative, financial, scientific and technical management of projects initiated under the auspices of the OAU. These documents should at the same time define, in conformity with the provisions of Resolution CM/Res. 119 (IX), CM/Res. 975 (XLI) and CM/Res. 982 (XLI), the types of relationship to be established between regional scientific organizations and the Inter-African Phyto-sanitary Council (IAPSC), the competent body of the OAU in plant protection matters ;**
- (g) **ensure the financing for the surveys and other related tasks, the cost estimate of which is attached.**

Annex

IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTION CM/Res.1173 (XLVIII)
IN THE DEMARCATED GEOGRAPHICAL AND ECOLOGICAL REGIONS

Feasibility Study and Financial Implications

A) Scientific Consultation

- One Expert 2 months/man per ecological region	
- Number of Regions demarcated: 6	
- Fees: US\$3,000.00 x 6 x 2	= - US\$ 36,000.00
- Land Transport: US\$ 400 x 6	2,400.00
- Air Transport: US\$ 3,842 x 6	= 23,052.00
- Subsistence Allowance: US\$ 7,455 x 6	m 44,730.00
- Stationery and Supplies: US\$350 x 6	= 2,100.00
- Terminal Expenses: US\$328 x 6	= 1,968.00

B) publication and Dissemination of Regional Reports
and other Information to Member Countries in their region

US\$10,000 x 6	= 60,000.00
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C) Preparation of Distribution Maps of Main Crop and Plant
Parasites for National Scientific Research and Plant
Protection Services in Africa

= 30,000.00

TOTAL US\$ 210,650.00

D) African Centre for Phytosanitary Research
and Training (Resolution CM/Res.982 (XLI)
(ACPRT)

US\$ 106,600.00

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CM/Res. 1239 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE PROJECT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL
HYDROGEOLOGICAL MAP OF AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the Report of the OAU Secretary-General on the progress achieved by the African Organization of Cartography and Remote Sensing (AOCRS) as regards the implementation of the project for the International Hydrogeological Map of Africa "IHMA" since the Forty-eighth Session, in accordance with the provisions of resolution CM/Res. 1171 (XLVIII),

Noting with satisfaction the smooth implementation of the project, the cooperation it has engendered as well as the dynamism created in the states involved:

1. **CONGRATULATES** the AOCRS Secretary General and the Scientific Coordinator on the smooth implementation of the project;
2. **RECOMMENDS** the convening of an evaluation meeting to be attended by all national correspondents and IHMA collaborators in order to:
 - draw up a progress report on IHMA since the third meeting of experts held in Addis Ababa in November 1985;
 - gear the project to meet national needs by incorporating basic cartography and remote sensing;

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- plan *and* implement continentol projects,
similar to the hydrogeological map, on
sensitive topics such as mineral *and* hydro-
thermal resources, soils etc..;

3. SUPPORTS the efforts of the AOCRS and other
International Organizations such as UNESCO and
"CIFEG" to establish an African geological in-
formation network in *general* and a hydrogeological
information network in particular;
4. CALLS ON the Secretary General of the OAU to
continue to give this *project* the financial and
technical assistance needed for its smooth imple-
mentation.

CM/Res.1240 (L)

RESOLUTION ON FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES CONFRONTING
THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES OF THE ORGANIZATION
OF AFRICAN UNITY

The Council of *Ministers* of the **Organization of African Unity**, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary *Session* in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 **July**, 1999,

Conscious of the need to **enhance** the capacity of OAU **Specialized Agencies** to contribute effectively within their *respective areas* of **competence**, to the African economic development effort,

Concerned about the *serious* financial difficulties confronting the African Inter-Governmental **Organizations**, including the OAU **Specialized Agencies**, as a result of non-payment by **the** *Member States* of those **organizations** of their assessed contributions and of the consequent hardships caused by this situation,

Convinced of the necessity to **rationalize** and streamline the activities of the African Inter-Governmental **Organizations**, through, inter alia, improved co-ordination and elimination of unnecessary and **wasteful duplication**,

Emphasizing the imperative necessity of the African Inter-Governmental Organisations to intensify their effort at resource **mobilization** from non-traditional **sources**, elimination of **waste** and at undertaking income-generating activities:

1. **APPEALS** to all Member **States of African Inter-Governmental Organisations** to pay up their arrears of contribution in order to enable **these** organisations carry out their activities and **URGES** all **those Member States which** *have not yet* done so to join these organizations;
2. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General of *the* OAU to undertake, in **cooperation with the** Executive Secretary of ECA, a **comprehensive** review of the mandate, activities and **performance of the OAU Specialized Agencies** with a view to rationalising *and streamlining* their activities and to **submit** appropriate recommendations to the Council, at **its** Fifty-second **Session;**
3. **REQUESTS FURTHER** the Secretary-General to take immediate **measures** to reactivate the **Administrative Co-ordinating Committee** in order to facilitate co-ordination of the **activities of the OAU Specialized Agencies;**
4. **URGES** all **African Inter-governmental Organizations** to explore all avenues for mobilising additional **resources,** undertake income-generating activities in order to reduce their dependence on the contributions from their **Member States;**
5. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to continue to submit to Council, **regular reports on all OAU specialized and supported institutions,** with special emphasis **on their activities, achievements and constraints.**

Annex

1. Review Study by consultant/staff
2 man/months
Airtickets (per diam to all OAU Specialized Agencies)
Travel to Specialized Agencies
30 days + travel
- Documentation and incidental US \$ 8,960.00
Kinshasa, Arusha, Dakar

2. Reactivate the Committee - one meeting
expected during financial year
- one week in Addis Ababa
- Interpretation only
- 4 English and French Interpreters US \$ 4,746.00
Total US \$13,706.00

CM/Res.1241 (L)

RESOLUTION ON THE REFUGEE SITUATION IN AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organisation of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary **Session** in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1959,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General of the Organisation of African Unity on the Activities of the Organisation of African Unity General Secretariat in relation to the refugee situation in Africa as well as the Report on the Activities of the OAU Commission of 15 on Refugees,

Recalling the fact that refugee influxes have continued to occur in various parts of the continent,

Aware of the continuing human suffering in Southern Africa caused by **apartheid** and destabilisation policies of the racist Pretoria regime and by the activities of its surrogate armed bandits' operation, in particular, in Angola and Mozambique,

Considering the serious nature of the refugee phenomenon in the Horn of Africa and the **Sudan** as well as the ongoing **efforts** undertaken by the countries concerned with a view to achieving the voluntary return of the refugees as a means to ensure stability in the region,

Noting with satisfaction the necessary measures taken by both the General Secretariat and the **OAU** Commission of 15 on Refugees, especially the fact-finding missions undertaken to twenty nine **OAU** Member States by the Commission and the **Financial** assistance extended by the General **Secretariat** to some of the seriously effected countries,

Noting with deep gratitude the readiness and willingness with which **OAU** Member States **have** always received refugees,

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Noting with appreciation the humanitarian assistance extended to countries of aylum by the international community,

Recalling Resolution **CM/Res.987** (XLIII) and **CM/Res.1022** (XLIII) on the Root Causes of Refugees in Africa,

Mindful of the recent developments regarding the implementation of the United Nations Security Council Resolution 435 (1978) under which Namibian exiles are currently being repatriated to their country, and the participation, in an Observer capacity of the Organisation of African Unity in the self-determination process of Namibians,

Recalling OAU Council of Ministers Resolution **CM/Res.1022** (XLIII) on the OAU Special Refugee Contingency Fundr

1. **COMMENDS** both the **Secretary-General** of the **Organization** of **African Unity** and the OAU Commission of 15 on Refugees and *TARES* NOTE of the useful reports presented on the situation of Refugees in **Africa**;
2. **CONGRATULATES** the OAU Commission on Refugees for having successfully carried out fact-finding missions to twenty-nine OAU Member States and for the far-reaching, concrete and action oriented recommendations mader
3. **COMMENDS** the international community for the humanitarian assistance it has continued to render to refugees and displaced persons as well as to the countries of asylum and **CALLS ON** the donor community, in particular, to respond positively and adequately to the serious impact imposed by the presence of large number of refugees

and displaced persons on the socio-economic environment, by providing increased and additional **resources** for refugee-related development activities **in** the medium and long-term **phases**;

4. APPLAUDS the United Nations **and, in** particular, the Office of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees **for** the efforts made in favour of repatriation of **Namibians** and the facilities provided in Namibia for the reception of **Namibian** returnees under the UN Security Council Resolution 435 of 1970;
5. APPEALS to **Member States** concerned to create the necessary conducive atmosphere in order to reduce the incidence of asylum-seeking in Africa and to encourage voluntary repatriation of refugees to their countries of **origin**, once the conditions that caused their **exile** have disappeared;
6. REQUESTS **Member States** which *are* in a position to do so to grant **naturalization** rights to refugees and also to **integrate** those refugees who so wish, and **who** for specific **reasons** **cannot** return to their **countries** of origin;

7. REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the **OAU** in collaboration **with** the Secretary-General of the United **Nations** and the UN high Commissioner **for Refugees** to prepare a **well** documented **study** on the root-causes of refugees in Africa for submission to **the** Fifty-second Ordinary **Session** of the OAU Council of Ministers;
- a. REQUESTS the **Secretary-General** of OAU in **collaboration** with the United Nations **High Commissioner** for Refugees **to** take up the question of resettlement with **OAU Member States with few** or no refugees **at** all with **a** view to securing resettlement and transit facilities for **the** refugees;
9. REQUESTS **FURTHER** the Steering **Committee** of the International Conference on the Plight **of** Refugees, **Returnees** and Displaced Persons in Southern **Africa (SARRED)** **to** monitor and follow closely **the** implementation **of** the OSLO Declaration and **Plan of Action**;

10. APPEALS to both the Secretary-General of the OAU and the UN **High Commissioner** for Refugees to redouble their *efforts in reactivating* ICARA II process ;
11. **COMMENDS** the countries of the **Horn of Africa** and the Sudan **as well as UNHCR** for the assistance provided to the **refugees** and returnees and **CALLS ON** the international community to further increase its **assistance** and to actively support the efforts underway *to promote* voluntary repatriation through the **current** peace process in the **region**;
12. EXPRESSES ITS **DEEP GRATITUDE** and **APPRECIATION** to the countries of asylum which have continued **to receive** and **provide food**, sanctuary and security to the refugees **in the spirit of African brotherhood and solidarity**;
13. *EXPRESSES* ITS INDIGNATION at the continuing unwanton acts of **destabilization** and destruction perpetrated by the racist Pretoria regime and its surrogate **armed** bandits against the Frontline and other neighbouring States;
14. **CALLS ON** the OAU Observer **Mission** and the **UNHCR** Offices **in** Namibia to continue to monitor developments regarding the rehabilitation of the returnees until such time that they can go back to their **homes**;
15. **APPROVES** the **recommendation** of the OAU Commission of Fifteen **on Refugees** to increase **the** OAU Special Refugee Contingency Fund to 2% of the total OAU regular **budget**, effective **1990/1991 Fiscal Year**.

CM/Res.1242 (L)

VOTE OF THANKS

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 17-22 July, 1989,

Expressing its great satisfaction at the excellent measures taken and which contributed significantly to the success of the Fiftieth Ordinary Session held in a spirit of brotherliness and cordiality;

Further expressing its full satisfaction at the competent manner in which the Chairman of the Council of Ministers has conducted the deliberations of the present Session:

1. EXPRESSES its gratitude and thanks to the Ethiopian Government and people for the warm, brotherly and traditional welcome extended to the delegations of the Member States of the OAU,
2. FURTHER EXPRESSES its sincere gratitude to Comrade Mengistu Haile Mariam, Secretary-General of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Ethiopia and President of the People's Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, for the important speech delivered on his behalf by Comrade Berhanu Bayih, Member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ethiopia,
3. COMMENDS the Chairman of the Council and PAYS TRIBUTE for the competent manner in which he has conducted the deliberations of the Session,
4. COMMENDS and THANKS the Secretary-General and his staff for their clear analyses and for the exhaustive information contained in the reports presented to the Council for the dedication they have shown throughout the present Session.

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ANNEX II

Declaration on Namibia adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity at its twenty-fifth ordinary session, held at Addis Ababa from 24 to 26 July 1989

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 24 to 26 July, 1989, reviewed the developments in Namibia since the start of the implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 435 on the Independence of Namibia.

2. The Assembly recalled the events preceding the commencement of the implementation process, including the insistence by the Permanent Members of the Security Council to reduce the size of the military component of UNTAG from the original level of 7,500 contained in Resolution 435 to 4,650. They noted with regret that the reduction of UNTAG force in large measure contributed to the failure of the United Nations to prevent the events prior to and immediately after the 1st April, 1989, which resulted in needless loss of life of Namibians.

3. Having examined the process for the independence of Namibia during the last three months, it has become clear that the present size of UNTAG is far from sufficient to guarantee even the minimum conditions of free and fair elections in Namibia.

4. The Assembly was particularly disturbed that Pretoria has been permitted to continue its non-compliance with the legally binding provisions of Resolution 435 which, among other things, provided for the disbandment of all ethnic and paramilitary forces including the destruction of their command structures. As a result the Apartheid regime has openly defied the United Nations by resisting the dissolution of its Koevoet murder squads

which have been integrated into the South West Africa Police and continue to terrorize Namibians and to intimidate SWAPO supporters in order to impede them from registering as voters. The Assembly stressed that Pretoria's continued policy of intimidation and terrorization has also delayed the repatriation of Namibian refugees.

5. The Assembly further recalled that according to Resolution 435 the responsibility to ascertain the "suitability" of the personnel to serve in the South West Africa Police rests with the special representative of the Secretary-General. In this regard, they stressed that Koevoet murder squads are by training, disposition and proven history patently unsuitable to serve as policemen. It, therefore, urges the special representative of the Secretary-General to demand that Koevoet be disbanded immediately and those elements already integrated into the South West Africa Police including their former Commander General Hans Dreyer be removed there from forthwith.

6. It noted with concern that in order to justify the integration into the South West Africa Police and deployment of Koevoet the Pretoria regime has continued its spurious allegations of infiltration of SWAPO combatants. The most recent of such allegations by South Africa which was made on 14th July has once again proved to be baseless and unfounded. In view of the prevailing situation, they reject the argument by the Administrator-General that the Koevoet-infested South West Africa Police would be suitable for providing protection to SWAPO leadership.

7. It observed that South Africa has so far refused to release Namibian political prisoners held in its jails, as provided for in Resolution 435. It expressed indignation at Pretoria's continued defiance of Security Council. It called upon the Security Council to force the Pretoria regime to abide by the provisions of Resolution 435.

8. The Assembly of Heads of State expressed profound concern at the Anti-SWAP0 bias of the South African controlled media in Namibia which has made amockery of the impartiality issue.

9. It further noted with concern that the present plane for the conduct of voting appear to contain loopholes which could permit cheating, for example, centralised counting of votes which necessitates movement of ballot boxes from polling stations, registration of non-Namibians, absence of voters' registers of polling stations, etc... In this connection, it urged the Secretary-General to inform the International Community how his special representative intends to "supervise and control" the electoral process in Namibia in order to ensure that it is free and fair as provided for in Security Council Resolution 435.

10. The Assembly of Heads of State and Government renewed its willingness to continue close cooperation with UN Secretary-General throughout the process in implementation of Resolution 435 with the aim of achieving free and fair elections leading to genuine independence of the territory.

11. The Assembly expressed satisfaction with the solidarity shown by the International Community with the just struggle of the People of Namibia and expresses its profound gratitude to all the States which are participating in the United Nations Transitional Assistance Group (UNTAG) .

12. The Assembly encouraged the UN Secretary-General and UNTAG and urges them to pursue their efforts to ensure the full implementation of Resolution 435.

ANNEX III

Resolutions adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government
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AHG/Res.179 (XXV)

**RESOLUTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
AFRICAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY**

The Assembly **of Heads** of State and Government,
meeting in its 25th Ordinary Session **from 24 to 26** July, 1989
in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia,

Recalling the relevant provisions **of** the Lagos Plan
of Action and **more** particularly its Final Act,

Reaffirming the commitment to the principles and
objectives of promoting and strengthening economic co-
operation and integration as a launching pad for an
endogenous, self-sustaining and self-reliant development of
Member States within the framework of the establishment of
the African Economic Community,

Convinced of the urgent need for a rational **re-**
organization of the African economic space through
strengthened existing regional economic groupings and
through the coordination and **harmonization of** projects and
programmes of African inter-governmental **organizations**
under their own aegis,

Recalling inter alia the relevant provisions of the
Declaration adopted during the 25th Anniversary of the
Organization,

Cognizant of the steps and practical measures adopted by the Permanent Steering Committee since its 15th Session to accelerate the **process** of establishing the community (**Doc. PSC/RAPT(XV)**):

- 1.** APPROVES the Conclusions **and** Recommendations of the **15th** Session of the Permanent Steering Committee (**Doc. CM/1521 (XLIX - PART I Annex II)**) **as** endorsed by the 49th Session of the **Council** **as** regards specially;
 - a)** The concept, content and scope **of** the **Community**;
 - b)** The stages **and** modalities- *for* the **project** implementation;
 - c)** The institutional machineries;
 - d)** The practical and transitional measures;
 - e)** The indicative calendar for the **realization** of the project.
- 2.** PAYS TRIBUTE to the Out-going Current Chairman for his particular attention to the issues concerning African **economic** integration and **for** the efforts **deployed** for launching and giving a dynamic orientation to the Project, and given the importance of the **issue**, reiterates the mandate conferred upon the Current Chairman to personally **take** up **and** follow-up the progress **of** the project in providing political **directives** and guidelines enabling the Permanent Steering Committee to proceed **with** the accelerate? implementation of the Project on the **establishment** of the Community;

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3. EXPRESSES FURTHER ITS APPRECIATION to **Member** States who submitted their views and comments which have made it possible for the Permanent Steering Committee to proceed with the consideration of the **Draft Treaty**;
4. **COMMENDS** the EFFORTS and INITIATIVES taken by the Permanent Steering Committee, under ~~the~~ dynamic **supervision** of its Current Chairman, to set an indicative calendar for the **realization** of the Project and URGES the Committee to pursue its efforts in close consultation with **Member** States and in close collaboration with the existing regional economic groupings)
5. MANDATES the OAU Secretary-General to take all the **necessary** steps, with the technical and financial **assistance** of the relevant African and international **organizations** especially the ECA, the **ADB** and the UNDP to pursue the **sensitization** and **popularization** campaign with African Member **States** on the concept, content, scope and dimensions of the African Economic Community:
6. CALLS UPON the OAU, ECA Secretariats and the **ADB** to coordinate and pool their efforts and resources so as to provide, ~~a~~ joint Secretariat, the required **logistic** and technical support to the Permanent Steering Committee in the process ~~of~~ establishing the **African Economic Community**;
7. URGES all Member States and existing economic groupings to take an active part in the meetings of the PSC devoted to the consideration of the draft Treaty of the Community;

8. EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION for the initiatives being undertaken at inter-regional and **intra-**regional levels by the Current Chairmen of the existing economic groupings to promote co-operation among African **IGOs**;
9. **REITERATES ITS APPEAL** to all Member States to adopt firm **measures** to **harmonize** and **rationalize** the activities of co-operation organizations **in** the **same** region within the overall **development** strategy *of existing* economic groupings while keeping in mind the specificity of each **IGO** and its contribution towards the achievement of the objectives of the Final Act of Lagos;
10. DIRECTS the **OAU Permanent Steering** Committee to study with the technical assistance of the **ECA** and the **ADB** the ways and **means** for promoting and strengthening co-operation between existing **economic** groupings with focus to inter-regional projects while coordinating and **harmonizing** their activities and URGES international organizations of the UN System, especially the UNDP, to extend adequate financial and technical assistance to the Economic Groupings in order to **strengthen** their internal capacities in line with their adopted objectives and defined priorities;
11. **COMMENDS** UNDP for the financial, technical and logistic support the latter continues to provide with a view to promoting and strengthening economic co-operation and integration on the Continent within the framework of the Project **on** the establishment **of** the African Economic Community

and *TARES* NOTE of its favourable arrangements towards the multisectoral projects submitted by the Regional Economic Communities aiming at promoting the integration processes and the co-ordination and the harmonisation of their efforts in this area;

12. DIRECTS THE OAU **Secretary-General** in close collaboration with the **Executive Secretary of the ECA** and the President of ADB, to hold **consultations with the executives** Heads of existing regional economic groupings in order to:
 - a) establish a permanent consultative platform for the coordination and harmonization of activities, project⁸ and programmes related to economic co-operation and integration at all levels;
 - b) exchange information in co-operation and integration experiences;
 - c) adopt common position vis-a-vis their partners of the international community in the area of economic co-operation and integration of the continent)
 - d) prepare joint periodic reports for the Assembly of the OAU Heads of State and Government on the state of economic co-operation and integration in Africa;
13. **REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the OAU to prepare and submit to every annual session of the Conference a progress report** on the establishment of the African Economic Community,

AHG/Res.180(XXV.)

RESOLUTION ON THE PROCLAMATION OF A SECOND
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DECADE FOR AFRICA
AND ON AN AFRICA INDUSTRIALIZATION DAY

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the **Organization** of African Unity, meeting in its Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session in **Addis** Ababa, Ethiopia, from 24 to **26** July, 1989,

Reiterating its commitment to the attainment of the **objectives** of the Lagos Plan of Action, the Final Act of Lagos and the African **Priority** Programme for Economic **Recovery**,

Emphasizing the crucial role of industrialization in the structural transformation and growth of the economies of African **countries** and in the attainment of a lasting solution to the **economic** crisis of African countries and to their external debt crisis,

Noting that the objectives of the first Industrial Development Decade for Africa are yet to be fully attained,

Mindful of UN ECOSOC resolution 1987/90, ECA Conference of Minister's resolution 656 (XXIV) and OAU Council of Ministers resolution **CM/Res.1186 (XLIX)** all recommending the **proclamation** of a second IDDA,

Conscious of the significant efforts and **resources** to be deployed towards the accelerated industrialization of African countries,

Having considered the report *of* the Ninth Meeting *of* the Conference *of* African Ministers *of* Industry, held in **Harare, Zimbabwe**, from 29 **May** to 1 June, 1989 (CM/1554 (L) and **CAMI.9/22/Rev.1**):

1. **SOLEMNELY** DECLARES the **years 1991 - 2000** as the Second Industrial Development Decade **for** Africa, for the **purpose** of accelerating further the **industrialization** of Africa launched during the first Industrial Development Decade **for** Africa:
2. FURTHER DECLARES the day 20 November as the Africa **Industrialization** Day, **for** the purpose of mobilizing the commitment *of* African countries and the international community towards the industrialization **of** Africa;
3. WELCOMES UNIDO Industrial Development Board Decision **IDB.5/20** of 7 July, 1989 on the Industrial Development Decade **for** Africa and URGES the **UN** General Assembly to also proclaim the Second Industrial Development Decade **for** Africa (1991 - 2000) and the Africa **Industrialization** Day during its Forty-fourth Session:
4. ENDORSES the recommendations adopted by African Ministers of Industry at their Ninth Meeting held in **Harare, Zimbabwe** from 29 **May** to 1 June 1989 including" in particular, those pertaining to the formulation of a programme for the Second IDDA, commemoration *of* the Africa **Industrialization** Day and UNIDO III;

5. **RECOMMENDS** to all African governments *and* peoples to formulate , *adopt* and **carry out all necessary policy measures** and operational **actions** towards the full attainment of the **objectives** of the **Second IDDA** and the Africa Industrialization **Day**;
6. REQUESTS the **Director-General** of **UNIDO**, the **Executive Secretary of ECA** *and* the **Secretary-General** of the **OAU** to take all **steps** including **the mobilization** of financial **resources** in order to **render effective assistance** to all African countries and **organizations** *in* the **formulation, adoption and implementation** of their **programmes** for the **Second IDDA** and the **Africa Industrialization Day**. To this end, the Secretariats of **OAU, ECA** and **UNIDO** should be provided with adequate **resources** in their respective regular **budgets**;
7. REQUESTS **FURTHER**, the Secretary-General to **transmit this** resolution to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and to take the **necessary** follow-up action, in co-operation with the Executive Secretary *of ECA*, the Director-General of **UNIDO** and the African Group in New York to **ensure** that the **UN General Assembly** *proclaim* the **Second IDDA** and the African **Industrialization Day** during its Forty-fourth Session.

AHG/Res.181 (XXV)

RESOLUTION ON THE WORK OF THE CONTACT GROUP
OF THE CURRENT CHAIRMAN ON AFRICA'S
EXTERNAL DEBT CRISIS

The Assembly of **Heads** of States and Government of the **Organization** of African Unity, meeting in its **Twenty-fifth** Ordinary Session in **Addis** Ababa, Ethiopia, from 24 to 26 July, 1989,

Recalling the Declaration of its Third Extra-ordinary Session on Africa's External Debt **Crisis**, and its resolution **AHG/Res.175** (XXIV) of May, 1988 and in particular the mandate given to the Chairman of that Session regarding the convening of an international conference on Africa's external indebtedness,

Gravely concerned by Africa's mounting external debt, the heavy debt-service burden and the continuing deterioration in socio-economic conditions in **Africa**,

Noting with appreciation **the** actions so far **taken or** the declared intentions, by some creditor countries to cancel the official bilateral debt of African countries-,

Reaffirming its commitment to the African Position on Africa's External Debt **Crisis** and its conviction of the efficacy of *an international conference in* tackling Africa's external debt crisis,

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Conscious of the need for careful preparation for the international **conference**, as well **as** the international seminar on the **African Common Position** scheduled **for Cairo**, Arab Republic of **Egypt from 28 - 30 August, 1989**,

Having considered the report of the activities of the Contact Group submitted by **H.E. General Moussa TRAORE, President** of the Republic of **Mali** and Chairman of the Twenty-fourth Assembly:

1. EXPRESSES PROFOUND APPRECIATION to H.E. General Moussa TRAORE, President of the Republic of Mali and Chairman of the Twenty-fourth Assembly of his untiring effort in bringing the African Common Position to the attention of the international community with a view to convening an international conference on Africa's external indebtedness:
2. TAKES NOTE of the arrangements for the international seminar scheduled for Cairo, Egypt **from 28 - 30 August, 1989** and URGES all Member States to designate high level experts in banking, finance and monetary fields to participate in the Seminar:
3. RENEWS ITS CALL for the convening of an International Conference on Africa's External Indebtedness and, to that end, RENEWS also the mandate to the Current Chairman to deploy all effort towards the organization of the Conference;

4. APPEALS to the international community **especially** the creditor countries to **provide** meaningful **reduction** in **Africa's stock** of debt and debt **service** burden **accompanied** by significant **new** inflow of financial **resources** to *African* countries.

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RESOLUTION ON THE DECLARATION **OF** AN AFRICAN
YEAR OF **THE** ENVIRONMENT

The Assembly of Heads of State and **Government of** the **Organization** of African Unity, meeting **in** its **Twenty-fifth** Ordinary Session in **Addis** Ababa, Ethiopia, from 24 to 26 July, 1989,

Aware of the extreme gravity **of** problems related to the **environment** of the future of mankind and the survival of our societies,

Gravely concerned about the continuous degradation **of** the environment throughout the world **in general** and **in** Africa in particular, which has resulted in imbalances in the land, forest, coastal and maritime ecosystems, the warming of the earth, climatic changes with dire consequences on the economic activities **of** world population and the destruction of the ozone layer,

Firmly convinced that to **overcome** the challenge posed by the ecological problems, there is need to pool all scientific, technical and financial resources possible only through international **co-operation**,

Recalling with interest that the Cairo Programme on Co-operation among African Countries in Environmental Matters adopted in December 1985 by the African Ministerial Conference on Environment contains the measures and solutions devised by Africa to solve the problems and challenges facing the Continent,

Further recalling that the aims and objectives of the Cairo **Programme** which aims at putting an end to the environmental degradation developing the food crop production capacity of the continent achieving **energy** self-sufficiency and restoring the balance between population and resources, constitutes a global plan which should be further considered to **emphasize** the major priorities taking into account the financial capabilities of our Member States,

Taking into account the Kampala Declaration on Lasting Development in Africa, adopted on 16 June, 1989, by African Ministers of the Environment, Planning and Education, in which the Ministers pledged that their countries would initiate "reforms and innovations **leading** to development of policies and methods which **would be ecologically** sound, **economically** durable and socially **acceptable**",

Fully aware that it is primarily incumbent on our countries to **provide** the financial **resources** required for the **Cairo Programme** and other responsibilities, before appealing **for** external assistance and taking advantage of the capital of good will **of** the international community,

Anxious to perpetuate the concept of environment in the economic, social and cultural development process of African **nations**, and to focus attention on the environment sector in relation to the other national **sectors**, and to establish links among all the Ministerial Departments, with a view to the environment in a determining position in the decision-making **process**,

Bearing in mind Resolutions **CM/1153(XLVIII)** on the dumping of nuclear and industrial **wastes** in Africa and **CM/Res.1199 (XLIX)** on the Global Convention *on the* **Control** of the **Cross** Border Movement of Hazardous Wastes:

1. DECLARES 1991 the African **Year** of the Environment;
 2. INVITES *Member* States to adopt the following **measures**:
 - i) At the National Level
 - **set up** a National **Committee** to **organize** the African Environment **Year** and involve all active sectors of the nation;
 - ii) At the Africa Level
 - **to create** an **Advisory Working Party** at the **OAU** comprising experts of various regions of the Continent to:
 - a) **rationalize** and co-ordinate all projects on the protection of the **Environment** included in the Cairo Programme;
 - b) **assess** the environmental risks inherent in the projects programmed.
 3. INVITES the OAU General **Secretariat** to collaborate in the execution of the projects proposed in this connection:
 4. REQUESTS the **OAU** Secretary-General to present a report at the next Summit on the implementation of this resolution.
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RESOLUTION ON CONFERENCE OF AFRICAN MINISTERS
OF EDUCATION

The **Assembly** of Heads of State and **Government**,
meeting in its Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session at **Addis**
Ababa, Ethiopia, **Prom 24 - 26** July, 1989,

Noting the meeting of the Ministers of Education
of **Sub-Saharan Africa** held at **Abuja**, **Nigeria** in July, 1989,
at which a **number** of **recommendations** were adopted on measures
to **improve** the educational **systems** in **Africa**,

Recognizing that there are serious problems affecting
the educational systems in **Africa**, especially the inability
to maintain high **standards** and to make education available to
more people, in the face of **increasing** demands for education
and of dwindling **resources** available to governments to sustain
it,

Concerned that these **problems** are posing political,
social and economic **difficulties** for governments in **sub-**
Saharan Africa,

Convinced that education in science and technology
are **indispensable** for **industrialization** and rapid **economic**
development in **Africa**:

1. WELCOMES the recent **study** conducted by the
World Bank on education in sub-Saharan Africa
and its attendant problems:

2. **RECOMMENDS** that **MemberStates** should *continue* to make their best efforts to **increase** significantly the level of their investments in education, in order to maintain the high standards of education and **improve its spread** in their countries;
3. CALLS UPON OAU Member States to co-operate more effectively, with one another in collaboration with the relevant organs, organizationa and bodies within the United Nations' **System** through enhanced exchange, **of** information and experience, in **order** to tackle the basic problems affecting education in **Africa**, including scarcity **of resources**, **and** thereby increase the capacity **of governments** to deliver adequately educational services, within the context of goals and objectives established by governments;
4. INVITES OAU Member States to increase **the** level of resources available for **the promotion** of education in the field of **science** and technology at all levels in their countries and in this regard they should participate effectively in the activities of the Third World Network **of Scientific Organizations**, the South Commission, and other **organizations** with similar **objectives** and principles;
5. DECIDES to establish a **Conference of African** Ministers of Education under the aegis of the Organization of African Unity, **which** should meet at **least** every two years.

RESOLUTION FOR AN ENDURING ALLEVIATION OF AFRICA'S
DEBT PROBLEMS

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government meeting in its Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 24 to 26 July, 1989,

Recalling the Lagos Plan of Action and the Final Act of Lagos adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government at its Special Session at Lagos, Nigeria in 1980,

Noting the African Priority Programme for Economic Recovery (APPER) and the United Nations Programme of Action for Africa's Economic Recovery and Development (UNPAAERD),

Recalling also the Assembly of Heads of State and Government meeting at its Special Session on Africa's External Indebtedness in 1987 at which it was decided to convene an International Conference on Africa's External Debt Problems,

Gravely Concerned with Africa's economic situation which continues to worsen in spite of the determined efforts made by Member States to deal with the dismal state of their economies, especially the excruciating debt burden, which has stunted growth and development and engendered political instability in some African countries:

1. WELCOMES the various debt initiatives, especially the recent debt cancellation offers by President Francois Mitterrand of France and President George Bush of the United States;
2. RECOGNIZES, however, that much more debt relief has to be granted to the debt-distressed countries in Africa;

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3. **CALLS** UPON the international community to urgently evolve **a more comprehensive** strategy to address all **aspects of** Africa's debt problems, both official and commercial loans, on **an** enduring basis;
4. URGES *creditor* countries to write-off the official debt owed from them by African countries, **in view** of their generalised poverty **and the** attendant economic *structures that are fragile and obsolete* together **with** the low per capita incomes which now make them **qualify** as low-income or debt-distressed countries;
5. RECOMMENDS THAT:
 - (a) the World **Bank** should make at least 50 per cent of the resources **undr** IDA-Ninth Replenishment available to African countries to relieve their debt burden; and
 - (b) the International Monetary Fund (**IMF**) and the World **Bank** should make resources available under the SAF, ESAP **and** the sub-Saharan African Facility to countries with overdue debt service obligations to the two institutions, so that repurchases **can** be undertaken by the affected countries with the advantage **of** enjoying the relief inherent **in** those **facilities**;
6. URGES the developed countries **to** establish a Special AID Consultative Group under the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, with the active support of the **World** Bank, IMF and the African Development Bank (**ADB**);

7. **URGES FURTHER** the donor *and* creditor **countries** to **provide financial assistance under the Special Aid Consultative Group to distressed African countries,** and that the **proceeds of the financial assistance**
 - **should be used to effect debt service obligation to those institutions where debt cannot be rescheduled or written off ;**
8. **RECOMMENDS also:**
 - (a) the establishment of an international debt **purchasing institution** *or* agency, under the aegis of the **IMF** and the **World Bank** to purchase the
 - **existing commercial bank debt of African countries at substantial discount to prevailing market rates,** while the discounts **so realised** should be **passed on to the obligors;** and
 - (b) that the **transactions should be** financed partly with voluntary contributions from the developed **countries** and with **uncommitted resources** under the **specialised facilities** of the **World Bank** and the **IMF,** with **low or no conditionality** attachment;
9. **URGES** also the creditor countries, in the meantime, to **take urgent necessary action** to moderate **interest rates,** so as to prevent a further build-up in **Africa's debt stock;**
10. **INVITES** African countries which are not already doing so to embark on appropriate **comprehensive structural reform** and to strengthen their macro-economic management, in **order to reverse** capital flight, **stimulate sustained** growth and enhance **balance-of-payments viability.**

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RESOLUTION ON ANGOLA

The Assembly of Heads of **State** and **Government**, meeting in its Twenty-fifth Ordinary **Session** in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 24 to 26 July, 1989,

Taking cognizance of the initiatives of the **Frontline States**, and other African Heads of **State** to bring about national **reconciliation**, **peace** and harmony in the **People's Republic of Angola**; and the **Peace Plan** for Angola,

Welcoming the unanimous **decision** of the Central Committee of the MPLA Labour Party to endorse the **Peace Plan**,

Further welcoming the **proclamation** of a **cease-fire** in the People's Republic of Angola,

Having heard the report of the Current Chairman of the Summit of African Heads of State held in Qbadolite, Zaire on 22 June, 1989,

Further noting the statement of the **President** of the **People's Republic of Angola** on the **Peace Plan** for national **reconciliation** in Angola,

Taking note of the **Gbadolite Declaration on Angola** which aims at national reconciliation in the People's Republic of Angola,

Taking note of the Report on the mission of the 1989 Ministerial Delegation to Washington **D.C.**, and,

Taking further note of the position of the Bush Administration to continue to provide military and financial assistance to **UNITA**;

1. EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION to all those involved in the initiative for peace in the **People's Republic of Angola**, particularly to the Outgoing

Chairman, President **Moussa Traoré** of Mali, to the **Presidents** of the Frontline States, and among others the **Presidents** of the **Republics** of Zaire, **Burundi**, **Cameroon**, Central African **Republic**, Cape Verde, Chad, Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, **Gabon**, **Guinea Bissau**, **Nigeria**, **Rwanda**, the Republic of Sao Tome and **Príncipe**, and **His Majesty** the King of **Morocco**;

- a. FURTHER EXPRESSES ITS DEEP APPRECIATION to President **Jose Eduardo Dos Santos**, the Central Committee of the MPLA-Labour Party and the People of Angola, for their commitment to national reconciliation, to peace and brotherhood in **Angola**;
3. WELCOMES the **Gbadolite** Declaration on *Angola*, and the **Proclamation** of a **ceasefire** in the People's Republic of Angola)
4. TAKES NOTE of the **Report** on the mission of the 1989 **Ministerial** Delegation to Washington **D.C.**;
5. CALLS UPON the Administration of President **George** Bush to discontinue all military and financial assistance to **UNITA**;
6. **FURTHER** CALLS UPON the members of the **congress** of the United **States** to **oppose** any and all **assistance** to **UNITA** and to support the **efforts** of Africa to **bring peace** and national reconciliation in the People's Republic of **Angola**;
7. ENDORSES the Plan for Peace and Reconciliation in the **People's** Republic of **Angola**;
8. CALLS UPON the International Community to support the initiatives for national reconciliation in the People's Republic of Angola,

Reservations of the Cote d'Ivoire on Paragraph 6 of the Preamble and paragraph 5 of the operative section.

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RESOLUTION ON *EXTERNAL* RESOURCE FLOWS

The **Assembly** of the Heads *of* State and **Government** of the **Organization** of African **Unity**, meeting in its Twenty-fifth *Ordinary* Session in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 24 to 26 July 1989,

Recalling the United Nations Programme of *Action* for African Economic *Recovery* and Development 1986-1990 adopted by the UN General **Assembly** in June 1986 which, inter-alia, called upon the international community to make every effort **to provide** sufficient resources to support and supplement the **African** development effort,

Concerned that the flow of **concessional** resources to the Continent has not been commensurate with the **requirements** to fully support the efforts being made by **African** countries to implement policy reforms and structural adjustment programmes,

Appreciative of the contributions so far made by the international community towards resources **mobilization** for economic recovery and transformation,

Recognising the vital role which **these** resources are playing in Africa's socio-economic **recovery** and development and that the international community is fully aware of the need **for** providing increased concessional **resources** to support the **economic** and social development of the African *countries*:

1. APPEALS to **the** international donor community to:

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- (a) **increase** substantially the sixth replenishment of the African Development Fund **over** the level **of** the fifth replenishment and to increase the grant portion **of** finance **for** technical assistance;
 - (b) **increase** **substantially** the ninth replenishment of the International **Development** Association (IDA) *over* the level of the **eighth**;
 - (c) extend the Multi-Donor Special **Programme for** Africa beyond **1990**; and
 - (d) **recognize** the **need** to create additional and separate **facilities** to provide concessional financial support to the **African** middle-income non-IDA-eligible countries, whose needs the present international arrangements are unable to provide on appropriate terms ;
2. APPRECIATES **the** continuing efforts made by the **Management** of the African Development Bank to find lasting solutions to the external debt problem;
3. REQUESTS the Managements of the African Development Bank and of the International Financial Institutions to intensify their efforts in **mobilizing** concessional resources from the developed countries to support the economic and social **recovery** and development of Africa.

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RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE AFRICAN COMMISSION
ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government **of** the **Organization** of African Unity, meeting in its Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, **from 24 to 26 July, 1989**,

Having considered the report on the activities of the African **Commission on** Human and Peoples' Rights for the period 1988 - 1989, presented by the Chairman of the Commission, Mr. Isaac **NGUEMA**,

Considering that **the** promotion and protection of Human and Peoples' Rights **are** essential ingredients for the advancement of African citizens and peoples and constitute a significant contribution to the **realization** of their development aspirations,

Expressing satisfaction with the inauguration of the Headquarters and the Permanent Secretariat of the Commission in **Banjul**, Republic of the Gambia, on 12 June, 1989,

Noting the request of the Commission **for** appropriations for its promotional activities, increase in the emoluments for the Members of the Commission and the recruitment of staff to enable the Commission effectively carry out its assigned task,

Resolved to provide the Commission with the resources necessary for its effective functioning with the view to attaining its assigned objectives:

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1. ADOPTS the report on the activities of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights for the period 1988 - 1989 and authorises that it be published;
2. EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE to the Republic of The Gambia for the material and other facilities offered the Secretariat of the Commission to enable it become operational;
3. COMMENDS the Chairman and Members of the Commission for the excellent work **accomplished** and URGES them to continue in the same manner;
4. FURTHER URGES Member States who have not yet done so to ratify the African Charter on Human and Peoples' rights;
5. REQUESTS the Secretary-General, in **collaboration** with the Advisory Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial Matters to find, prior to the next financial year, appropriate solutions to the budgetary, financial and personnel problems raised by the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights.

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VOTE OF THANKS

We, Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in our Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session in **Addis Ababa**, Ethiopia, from 24 to 26 July, 1989,

Having heard the comprehensive and excellent Activity Report of H.E. President **Moussa TRAORE**, Chairman of the **Twenty-fourth** Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity,

Having followed with keen interest the indefatigable efforts deployed throughout his term of office to ensure the realization and consolidation of the principles of the Organization of African Unity as well as the attainment of its objectives,

Having noted with satisfaction his realistic vision of African problems, his dedication to an unflinching and constant support for the cause of African Unity, the dignity of the African peoples as well as the survival of the Organization of African Unity,

Noting With deep satisfaction the efficient, far-sighted and methodic manner in which H.E. President **Hosni MOUBARAK** has conducted the deliberations of the Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session of our Assembly,

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Expressing our appreciation for the warm welcome and hospitality extended to the Heads of State and Government as well as Heads of delegation by Comrade President Mengistu Haile Mariam, the Government and people of the People's Democratic Republic of Ethiopia,

Further expressing satisfaction at the lucid and informative reports submitted by the Secretary-General of the Organization, Mr. Ide OUMAROU:

1. **CONGRATULATE AND THANK**: H. E. President Moussa TRAORE, Chairman of the Twenty-fourth **Ordinary** Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity for his exhaustive report full of information on Africa's most crucial **issues**;
2. **EXPRESS** OUR DEEP GRATITUDE to and OUR ADMIRATION for President Moussa TRAORE for his exceptional dedication to duty in the **accomplishment** of his **mission**, for his Pan-Africanist and unwavering stand on the strict adherence to the Charter and the principles of the Organisation as demonstrated **throughout** his term of office;
3. FURTHER EXPRESS OUR PROFOUND GRATITUDE to and OUR ADMIRATION for President Hosni MOUBARAK for the efficient, farsighted and methodical manner in which he has directed the deliberations of the **Twenty-fifth** Ordinary Session:

4. **EXPRESS**'OUR **MOST** SINCERE THANKS **and** GRATITUDE to Comrade President Mengistu **Haile** Mariam, the Party, the Government and brotherly **People of the People's Democratic Republic of Ethiopia** **for** the warm welcome **and** the very generous hospitality accorded all delegations participating *in* the deliberations of the Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session **of** the **Assembly of Heads** of State and Government;
5. **EXPRESS ALSO our** SINCERE THANKS and OUR GREAT SATISFACTION to the Secretary-General, Mr. **Idé OUMAROU** and the staff **of our** Continental Organisation, *for* **the lucid and** comprehensive **report** they submitted to **us**;
6. **EXPRESS** our heartfelt congratulations to **Dr. SALIM AHMED SALIM** on his election as **Secretary-General** of our Organisation **and** wish him success in his heavy, but **●** xhalting task. Knowing his ability and **seriousness as we do**, we **are** confident that he will **accomplish** his mission with success.
