

**RESOLUTION ON AFRO-ARAB CO-OPERATION**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting at its Forty-fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 21 to 26 July 1986,

**Having considered** the Report of the Secretary-General on Afro-Arab Co-operation (Doc.CM/1341 (XLIV)),

**Recalling** the Declarations and Programme of Action adopted in Cairo in March 1977 by the First Summit Conference of African and Arab Heads of State and Government,

**Reaffirming** its attachment to the objectives and principles of Afro-Arab Co-operation,

**Anxious** that the organs set up by the First Afro-Arab Summit conference function effectively with a view to reactivating co-operation programmes of common interest,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Secretary-General on Afro-Arab Co-operation (Doc.CM/1341 (XLIV));
2. **PAYS TRIBUTE** to His Excellency President Abdou Diouf, current Chairman of the OAU for the indefatigable efforts he continues to make in order to obtain the best conditions for convening the First Session of the Joint Afro-Arab Ministerial Conference;
3. **CONGRATULATES** the Secretaries-General of the OAU and the League of Arab States on the efforts made to convene the meeting of the **Ad Hoc** Committee requested to prepare the First Session of the Joint Afro-Arab Ministerial Conference and **URGES** them to pursue these efforts to ensure that the said Committee really meets as soon as possible so that the Conference may take place before the end of the year 1986 as planned;

- 4. SUPPORTS the proposal of the Secretaries-General of the OAU and the League of Arab States to maintain the Ad Hoc Committee as originally constituted, namely: Senegal, Bahrain, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Secretaries-General of the OAU and the League of Arab States;**
- 5. REQUESTS that the African Liberation Movement recognised by the OAU and accepted by the resolution of the League of Arab States of 1983 to be granted observer status, be actually invited to participate in the deliberations of the League.**