

**Decision on the ILO Convention on the Banning of the Worst
Forms of Child Labour and Immediate Action for their
Elimination**

The Assembly:

1. **RECALLS** the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child adopted in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in 1990, by the Twenty-sixth Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government;
2. **FURTHER RECALLS** the unanimous adoption in Geneva, Switzerland on 17 June, 1999 of the ILO Convention on the Prohibition of the Worst Forms of Child Labour and Immediate Action for their Elimination, by the Eighty-seventh Ordinary Session of the International Labour Conference;
3. **APPROVES** the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General to the Twenty-second Ordinary Session of the Labour and Social Affairs Commission (Windhoek, Namibia: 22 - 23 April, 1999) pertaining to the proposed ILO Convention (Doc.LSC/9 (XXII));
4. **REQUESTS** all Member States to ratify the Convention as a matter of urgency preferably before the Thirty-sixth Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government scheduled to take place in the year 2000;
5. **FURTHER REQUESTS** the International Labour Office (ILO) to Provide Member States with necessary technical assistance to back their efforts towards ratification and implementation of this Convention.