

PROBLEM OF REFUGEES

The Council of Ministers meeting in its Fourth Ordinary Session in Nairobi (Kenya), from 26 February to 9 March 1965,

Having studied the report and the recommendations submitted by the Ad-Hoc commission on the problem of refugees in Africa,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Second report of the Commission and of the Draft convention relating to the status of refugees;
2. **REQUESTS** Member States to study the recommendations and the draft of the said Convention and to submit their comments and remarks before 15 June 1965;
3. **ESTABLISHES** a Committee of Legal Experts nominated from Member States of the Ad-Hoc Commission for the problem of refugees in Africa to meet before 30 July 1965 for the purpose of examining the said Convention in the light of comments and remarks of Member States and preparing a final draft Convention for submission to the Fifth Session of the Council of Ministers;
4. **REQUESTS** the Administrative Secretary-General of the OAU to continue in close liaison with the competent Commissions of the OAU, and of the United Nations to follow the situation of the refugees;
5. **EXPRESSES** its gratitude to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and to the other voluntary agencies for their assistance to African refugees;
6. **MANDATES** the African Members of the Executive Board of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees to bring to the attention of the Board, which is due to meet in Geneva in May 1965, the case of African refugees and to support the efforts of the High Commissioner in increasing the assistance given to these refugees.

3. **REQUESTS** the Great Powers to show determination and sincerity in seeking a solution to the grave problems arising out of the United Nations crisis;
4. **EXPRESSES THE HOPE** that the Negotiations Committee to be appointed by the President of the United Nations General Assembly will take into serious account African interests in seeking a solution to the problem entailed by peace-keeping operations.