## RESOLUTION ON THE ILO REGIONAL OFFICE IN ADDIS ABABA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty-sixth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 February to 1 March, 1981,

<u>Recalling</u> the establishment of the ILO Regional Office for Africa in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, on 10 December 1964,

Noting with concern the gradual weakening of the ILO Regional Office in Addis Ababa,

<u>Recognizing</u> that pursuant to the decentralization policies of the ILO, Regional Offices elsewhere are headed by Assistant Directors-General,

<u>Conscious</u> that Africa should have an autonomous Regional Office on its own soil:

- CALLS UPON the Governing Body and the Director-General of the ILO to take appropriate measures to strengthen the existing ILO Office in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia;
- 2. REQUESTS the Director-General of the ILO to appoint a highly qualified African to head the Office in the capacity of Assistant Director-General as early as possible;
- CALLS UPON the OAU Secretary-General to convene the OAU Labour Commission in April 1981 at the OAU Headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and to include this item on its agenda;
- 4. REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General to report to the Thirty-seventh Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers on the implementation of this resolution.