

RESOLUTION ON THE COMPETITION TO SELECT AN OAU ANTHEM

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Thirty-seventh Ordinary Session in Nairobi, Kenya from 15 to 26 June 1981,

Recalling that the major purpose in the Charter establishing the Organization is “to promote the unity and solidarity of African States”,

Convinced that an anthem of the Organization of African Unity would, no doubt, be another symbol of the aspirations of African peoples to the ideals of unity and solidarity,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the organization of a competition for the selection of an OAU anthem, Document CM/1141 (XXXVII),

Noting however, that the first competition organized for the selection of an anthem did not yield the expected results:

1. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps to organize another competition on the basis of better defined criteria so that the results may be published on the twentieth anniversary of the OAU, in 1983;
2. **CALLS UPON** Member States to actively participate in the new competition.