

**RESOLUTION ON THE ACCOMMODATION OF THE OAU  
SECRETARIAT IN ADDIS ABABA**

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 OAU Secretariat was established in Addis Ababa in 1963,

**Noting** the continued expansion of the functions and activities of the OAU Secretariat over the past two decades,

**Conscious** of the need to expand the premises of the OAU Secretariat to enable it to function effectively,

**Recalling** the Lagos Plan of Action that placed new responsibilities in the economic field on the OAU Secretariat,

**Further recalling** the recommendation made by the Advisory Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial matters on the expansion of the premises of the OAU Secretariat to construct conference rooms and facilities,

**Aware** that the increasing number of OAU conferences, seminars and workshops at Headquarters continue to be held in ECA Conference rooms constructed to service only some twenty Member States of Africa in the 1950s,

**Taking note** of the report of the Secretary-General CM/1120/Part II Rev.1:

1. **REQUESTS** the OAU Secretary-General to undertake measures to improve the office and conference facilities at Headquarters including the identification of financing sources;

- 2. DIRECTS the Advisory Committee on Administrative Budgetary and Financial matters to make available the necessary financial resources to the OAU Secretary-General to improve the office and conference facilities at Headquarters;**
  
- 3. CALLS UPON the UN, particularly the UNDP, African Development Bank and the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa, to provide all possible financial and technical assistance to the OAU General Secretariat for the realization of this project;**
  
- 4. INSTRUCTS the OAU Secretary-General to report to the Thirty Eighth Session of the OAU Council of Ministers on the progress made in the implementation of this resolution.**