## RESOLUTION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CONFERENCE OF AFRICAN MINISTERS OF CULTURE

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 21 to 26 July, 1986,

**Recalling** the objectives of the Cultural Charter of Africa,

<u>Convinced</u> of the opportuneness to establish within the framework of the Charter of the Organization of African Unity, an organ for consultation between African Ministers of Culture,

<u>Determined</u> to participate fully in the efforts made by the OAU to integrate sociocultural factors into the development process,

<u>Expressing satisfaction</u> at the Declaration of the Twenty-first Ordinary Session of the OAU Assembly of Head of State and Government on the Cultural Aspects of the Lagos Plan of Action and the World Decade for Cultural Development:

- 1. RECOMMENDS to the Assembly of Heads of State and Government to convene a meeting once a year or every two years of Ministers of Culture of Member States for the harmonization of the African stand on issues concerning the African Continent in the field of culture;
- 2. ADOPTS the Rules of Procedure attached hereto;
- 3. RECOMMENDS that the OAU be provided with the necessary means to enable it to follow up the decisions adopted, particularly through the appointment of working group composed of members of the Bureau of the Conference, which in between the Sessions must, in consultation with the OAU Secretary-General prepare rationally and effectively the deliberations of the Conference of Ministers;

4. REQUESTS Member States to take every step for the preparation and success of the World Decade for Cultural Development.