RESOLUTION ON STRENGTHENING CO-OPERATION WITH THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS (CBC)

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-sixth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 20 to 25 July 19 87,

<u>Having examined</u> the Report of the Secretary-General on this mission to Washington D.C., in document CM/1450 (XLVI),

<u>Noting with satisfaction</u> the invitation extended by the Secretary-General to the Congressional Black Caucus to participate at the Twenty-third Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government,

<u>Encouraged</u> by the determination of the Congressional Black Caucus and the National Leadership Round Table to sensitize the American people and Government to the problems of apartheid, racism and Africa's development,

<u>Mindful</u> of the contributions that Afro-Americans have made in the evolution of Pan-Africanism and the need to foster closer links between Afro-Americans and Africa:

- TAKES NOTE WITH APPRECIATION the contracts between the Secretary-General and the Congressional Black Caucus and the National Leadership Round Table and URGES the Secretary-General to continue to deploy efforts to consolidate and strengthen the co-operation;
- 2. APPRECIATES the efforts of the Congressional Black Caucus to give
 Africa the attention it deserves in the Congress of the United States, and
 also of its pledge to assist Africa's development efforts;
- 3. ENCOURAGES all groups, particularly, the Congressional Black Caucus and the National Leadership Round Table to pursue in co-operation with the Secretary-General, their efforts to forge new links between Afro-Americans and the African people;

- 4. REQUESTS the Secretary-General as a matter of urgency, to take necessary measures to strengthen the OAU Office in New York in order to consolidate relations with Groups mentioned in operative paragraph 3, above;
- 5. EXPRESSES INTEREST in the Telethod Project and requests the Secretary-General to prepare a study on the issue to be submitted to the next Session of the Council of Ministers for information;
- 6. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to report to the next Council of Ministers on the implementation of this resolution.