RESOLUTION ON INTERNATIONAL MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT CONVENTION

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Twenty-Fourth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 13th to 21st February, 1975,

Having examined the report presented by the Secretary-General in document CM/641 (XXIV) on the question of a possible Convention on International Multimodal Transport,

<u>Taking note</u> of the resolution of the Conference of African Experts on Maritime Transport and Container Traffic which recommended among other things that an <u>Ad-Hoc</u> Committee of Experts be set up to undertake an in depth techno-economic studies of the implications of multimodal transport in Africa,

Noting that funds are available in the current financial year for financing the work of the said <u>Ad-Hoc</u> Committee,

<u>Conscious</u> of the importance of this question on the economic, financial and social development of Africa;

Aware of the consequences of the adoption of this mode of transport on the economic and social structures as well as in the financial field on the African States,

Bearing in mind the necessity for Africa to be able to play an effective role in any international decision such as the preparation of an international convention on the Multimodal Transport and the fact that this calls for Africa to prepare adequately:

1. **APPRECIATES** the work done by the African Group and the OAU Secretariat during the 2nd Intergovernmental Preparatory Group (IPG) meeting in Geneva;

2. **REQUESTS:**

- a. The Administrative Secretary-General of the OAU in Co-operation with the Executive Secretary of ECA to set up an <u>Ad-Hoc</u> Committee taking into account geographical representation;
- b. The Administrative Secretary-General of the OAU to present a report on the activities of the <u>Ad-Hoc</u> Committee to the Conference of African Ministers of Transport before the next meeting of the IPG, which commences in August 21, 1975.