## RESOLUTION ON NATURAL DISASTERS

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its 25<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Session in Kampala, Uganda, from 18 to 25 July 1975,

<u>Having heard</u> the statement by the Malagasy delegation on the increasingly frequent occurrence of tropical cyclones in Madagascar over the past decade,

**<u>Having studied</u>** report CM/552/Add.4 on natural disasters and document CM/673 (XXV) on drought and Natural Disasters,

**Noting** with concern the havoc caused by four successive cyclones occurred in Madagascar from 11 January to 8 March 1975,

<u>Conscious</u> of the magnitude of the havoc caused by this natural disaster to the economic and social situation of the country,

**Considering** the active solidarity which has always existed between Member States of the Organization of African Unity,

<u>Convinced</u> of the need to give urgent assistance tot he Republic of Madagascar and draw up a global strategy for the Indian Ocean Zone, to combat this scourge,

**Recalling** resolution CM/Res. 407 (XXIV) on the meteorological services and socioeconomic development in Africa,

**Recalling** resolution CM/ on drought and natural disasters in Africa,

**DECIDES** to exempt the Republic of Madagascar from payment of its contribution to the 1975/76 budget.