RESOLUTION ON THE PAN-AFRICAN TELECOMMUNICATION NETWORK

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Twenty-Seventh Ordinary Session at Port Louis, Mauritius, from 24 June to 3rd July, 1976.

<u>Having considered</u> the report of the Administrative Secretary-General (Document No. CM/751 (XXVII);

Appreciating the efforts of the PANAFTEL Co-ordinating Committee 9OAU, ITU, ADB, ECA) which led to the organization of Second Conference of African Telecommunication Administrations held at Kinshasa from 3 to 16 December 1975;

Noting with satisfaction the 3rd progress report of the Committee and endorsing actions proposed to be taken as follow – up to the Kinshasa Conference Resolutions;

Noting with appreciation the efforts of the UNDP to provide technical assistance funds in the field of telecommunications,

- 1. **CALLS** the attention of UNDP to Resolution No. 5 of the Kinshasa Conference and in particular to the need for the creation of the post of a 4th Regional Adviser who shall be charged with the responsibility of effectively assisting the newly independent countries in Southern Africa;
- 2. **INVITES** the UNDP to consider favourably the financing of the regional advisory posts which are considered a useful element for the region in order to harmonize the development efforts of member Governments;
- 3. **APPEALS** to bilateral and multilateral institutions to provide funds for technical assistance with a view not only to implementing the PANAFTEL Network but also to ensuring its proper operation and maintenance;