

**RESOLUTION ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
STRC**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Twenty - Ninth Ordinary Session in Libreville, Gabon, from 23rd June to 3 July, 1977

Appreciative of the excellent work of the STRC in the field of scientific and technological cooperation in Africa;

Aware of the importance of the need for the application of Science and Technology to the economic development of OAU States;

Desirous of ensuring the accelerated transfer of technology for the improvement of the productive process in Africa;

1. **WELCOMES** the proposal that Industrial and Technological Research Institutes in Africa should be created for the pooling of human and material resources;
2. **CALLS** on UNIDO and other relevant international agencies to assist the Executive Secretariat of the OAU/STRC to give the Secretariat the capability to undertake effective coordination of the work of African Industrial Research and Technological Institutes;
3. **REQUESTS** the Administrative Secretary-General to improve upon the present manpower of the Executive Secretariat to enable it carry on its existing valuable duties on grain development (JP.31), African Medicinal Plants (JP.27) Livestock Production and Disease Controls e.g. CBPP Campaign (JP.28) (and Follow-up Measures of JP.15 in all OAU States);
4. **APPEALS TO** international donor agencies to assist the various research projects of the Executive Secretariat and in particular, the various training programmes;
5. **REQUESTS** the Administrative Secretary-General to solicit the co-operation of UNIDO in the work of the Industrial and technological Institutes in Africa.

6. **INVITES** to this effect the Administrative Secretary- General to contact the Executive Director of UNIDO in order to develop the necessary programmes of technical cooperation in the industrial and technological fields, in particular, at Executive Secretariat level of the OAU/STRC in Lagos.