

RESOLUTION ON DESERTIFICATION

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,

Having taken note of the report on the OAU/UNEP (Nairobi), Regional Preparatory Conference on Desertification contained in document CM/819 (XXIX),

Recalling paragraph 9 of its resolution CM/Res. 450 (XXV) concerning the organization by the Secretariat of preparatory symposium of experts on desertification with a view to harmonizing African positions before the United Nations Conference on Desertification planned for 1877,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the sad report;
2. **URGES** all OAU Member States to participate actively and at a high level in the United Nations Conference on desertification on August – September 1977;
3. **REQUESTS** the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Environmental Programme to kindly invite to this conference, Liberation Movements recognized by the OAU;
4. **REQUESTS** the Administrative Secretary-General of the OAU to submit a complete report on this conference to the Thirty-First Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers.