RESOLUTION ON RESTRUCTURING OF THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC SECTORS

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

Recalling the General Assembly Resolutions 3201 (SVI) and 3202 (SVI) of May 1st, 1974 containing the Declaration and Programme of Action on the establishment of a New International Economic Order, and Resolution 3281 (XXIX) on the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States, which laid the foundation of the New International Economic Order,

<u>Convinced</u> that the United Nations Economic System should be restructured on an urgent basis to make it more responsive to the needs and aspirations of the developing countries and to enable it play a central role in the implementation of the New International Economic Order,

Bearing in mind the recommendation of the Group of Experts establish a post of Director-General for Development and International Economic Cooperation to function as a focal point for dynamic coordinating and promote greater unity and effectiveness within the United Nations System,

Convinced further that the Director-General will assist the United Nations Secretary-General in providing effective leadership to the various components of the restructured system in the field of development and International Economic Cooperation,

Taking note of the progress made by the <u>Ad Hoc</u> Committee on restructuring the Economic and Social Sectors of the United Nations System,

Noting with satisfaction the unanimous decision of the Group 77 during the recent session of the <u>Ad Hoc</u> Committee on restructuring to establish a post of Director-General,

1. **REITERATES** its resolution CM/478 (XXVII) adopted at its 27th Ordinary Session in Port Louis, Mauritius, 1976;

- 2. **URGES** Member States to instruct their permanent representatives in New York to participate effectively in the work of the <u>Ad Hoc</u> Committee and to enlist the support of other regional groups;
- 3. **REQUESTS** the Administrative Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity to convey the contents of this resolution to the United Nations Secretary-General and request him to take account of the African State's desire to assume that role of leadership in the restructured Secretariat.