

**RESOLUTION OF HUMAN SETTLEMENT**

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

**Considering** that the problem of human settlement is more pressing in Africa than in any part of the world;

**Considering** that the most appropriate and effective action to deal with the question of human settlement is the one taken at both national and regional levels;

**Considering** further that international action for co-ordination helps to strengthen this national or regional action;

**Considering** that Human Settlement is an integral part of the environment;

**Realising** the need to preserve and strengthen the role of UNEP; the only U.N. International Organ with headquarters in Africa;

**Being in mind** Resolution No. CM/Res. 467 (XXVI) on Human Settlement adopted in February, 1976 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia;

1. **REAFFIRMS** its wish that the United Nations Central Secretariat for Human Settlement should be sited in Africa;
2. **URGENTLY CALLS ON** the African representatives at the ECOSOC to strongly support the idea of establishing powerful regional bodies for co-ordinating in all the international institutions responsible for human settlements;
3. **SOLEMNLY CALLS** for the strengthening of UNEP's action in the field of international co-operation in environmental matters including human settlement.