RESOLUTION ON THE CONFERENCE OF AFRICAN NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Council of Minister of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Thirty- Second Ordinary Session in Nairobi, Republic of Kenya, from 23 February to 4 March, 1979,

**Having heard** the Administrative Secretary-General’s report on Co -operation between the OAU and African Non-Governmental Organizations (Doc. CM/945 (XXXII)),

**Having examined** also the report of the OAU Secretary-General on the proposed co- operation with the PID contained in document CM/955 (XXXII),

**Appreciating** the Administrative Secretary-General’s initiative to further strengthen co-operation between the OAU and the African Non-Governmental Organizations by associating them with the OAU’s economic and social development programmes,

**Desirous** of making the African Non-Governmental organizations play their role in favour of the economic and social development of OAU Member States, without interfering in the internal affairs of the Member States, and/or projecting extra-continental interests not in conformity with the OAU objectives,

**Conscious of** the need of collecting the fullest possible information on Non- Governmental Organizations existing in Africa, their constitutions, funding sources and their relationship with the OAU,

**Noting** that it is necessary to undertake a study on the criteria and general principles which should govern co-operation between the OAU and the African Non-Governmental Organizations,

1. **DECIDES** to refer the consideration of the question regarding the holding of a Conference of African Non-Governmental Organization to the 34th Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers;
2. **CALLS ON** the Administrative Secretary-General:
	1. to submit to the 34th Session of the council of Ministers a detailed study defining the general principles and criteria governing co-operation between the OAU and non-governmental institutions in Africa,
	2. to collect the fullest possible information on non-Governmental Organizations in Africa their constitutions, funding sources and their relationships with the OAU of any other organization of region etc.