

**RESOLUTION ON THE CONFERENCE OF AFRICAN
NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS**

The Council of Ministers 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:

- a) 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,
- b) 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.