

RESOLUTION ON INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

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,

Noting with interest the role the General Secretariat plans to play towards the integration of African women in development;

Convinced that his is in accordance with the spirit and letter of the OAU Charter and the Memorandum of Addis Ababa on the responsibilities and priorities of the General Secretariat and the Declaration of Mexico regarding undertaking action to uplift the image, status and role of women in Africa,

Aware of the need to strengthen the general Secretariat both in terms of manpower and finance in order to enable it cope with the work in general and with activities for integration of women in particular:

1. **APPROVES** the proposed plan of action contained in Doc.\cm/951 (XXXII);
2. **AUTHORISES** the Administrative Secretary-General to take immediate action in ensuring that sufficient manpower is available for the General Secretariat to undertake the implementation of the plan;
3. **REQUESTS** the Administrative Secretary-General to present to the Advisory Committee on budgetary and Financial Matters the financial requirements for the proposed staffing of the women unit and projects for the OAU women programme;
4. **FURTHER REQUESTS** the OAU Administrative Secretary-General to launch a campaign to sensitise all member states in promoting the integration of women in development, as an integral part of their national development programmes;
5. **CALLS UPON** the Administrative Secretary-General to activate PAWO to launch projects aimed at promoting women in development in Africa;

6. **CALLS UPON** the ILO and ECA to assist in the programme of integration of women in development through the establishment of special women projects:
7. **APPEALS** to the OAU Member States to positively consider implementation of the ILO and other international conventions and recommendations pertaining to promotion of socio-economic development of women;
8. **URGES** the Administrative Secretary-General to increase his follow up action on the activities of the African Training and Research Centre for Women ; and
9. **FURTHER URGES** the Administrative Secretary-General to constantly report on the progress made and problems encountered in the implementation of the plan of action for integration of African women in development.