

RESOLUTION ON INTRODUCTION OF PORTUGUESE
AS A WORKING LANGUAGE OF THE OAU

The Council of Ministers of the organization of African Unity meeting in its Thirty-third Ordinary Session in Monrovia, Liberia, from 6 to 20 July 1979;

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the proceedings of the Fourth Ordinary Session of the OAU Labour Commission – Doc. CM/975 (XXXIII)'

Considering Resolution LC/Res. 51 (IV) adopted by the Fourth Ordinary Session of the OAU Labour Commission on the request made by the Peoples' Republic of Mozambique aiming at introducing Portuguese as a working language of the OAU,

Further considering Article (XXIX) of the OAU Charter stipulating that 'the working language of the Organization and all its institutions shall be if possible, African languages as well as English and French',

Equally considering Article (XXXIII) of the OAU Charter relating to its amendment of the charter of the OAU:

RECOMMENDS that the question of introducing Portuguese as a Working Language of the OAU be handled in conformity with the procedure provided for in Article XXXIII of the Charter.