AFRICA’S REPRESENTATION AT THE UNITED NATIONS

The Council of Ministers meeting in its Second Extraordinary Session in Lagos, Nigeria, from 24 to 29 February 1964,

Recalling its earlier resolutions on the need to obtain adequate and impartial representation of the independent African States within the principal organs of the United Nations and the various International Agencies,

Having studied the situation in this matter resulting from the action of the African representatives in the various International Agencies,

1. APPROVES the two resolutions adopted by the 18th Session of the General Assembly amending the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations organization regarding membership of the Security Council and of the ECOSOC;

2. RECOMMENDS that all African States should ratify these two resolutions before 31 August 1964;

3. MAKES AN URGENT APPEAL to the permanent members of the Security Council to ratify the adopted resolutions, with a view to achieving equitable representation of the independent States of Africa within the principal organs of the United Nations;

4. COMMISSIONS the permanent Representatives of Morocco, the Ivory Coast, Niger and Ghana to conduct the necessary negotiations with the Representatives of the Governments which are permanent members of the Security Council;

5. REQUESTS all African Governments of intensify their efforts with the permanent members of the Security Council to hasten the ratification of the amendment to the Charter of the United Nations Organization.