

**ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL STOCKS OF FOOD GRAINS**

**The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Ninth Ordinary Session in Kinshasa, Congo, from 4 to 10 September 1967,**

**Having discussed the proposal that regional stocks of food grains should be established by Member States as outlined in document ESCHC/24;**

**Noting that Africa as a whole can grow enough food to feed more than its present population;**

**Regretting that on some occasions some Member States have had to obtain food from outside Africa to cover abnormal conditions;**

**Determined to take all measures to prevent this from happening again, especially by encouraging increased agricultural productivity and regional storage of food grains amongst Member States;**

- 1. ACCEPTS in principle the proposal to establish regions stocks of food;**
- 2. URGES Member States to begin as soon as possible bilateral or regional negotiations with a view to establishing the stocks of food;**
- 3. INVITES the Administrative Secretary-General to facilitate the work of Member States by making available the relevant information in this connection, including possible external aid, and to keep the Council of Ministers informed of the progress achieved.**