

RESOLUTION ON SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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,

Recalling that a conference of Ministers for Social Affairs of the States on the African Continent was held at Cairo from 10 to 15 April 1967, the General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity having sent an invitation to all Member States, and that 26 Members States attended the meeting;

Noting that the Conference discussed, in addition to the objectives and policies relating to social affairs, the harmonization of African view -points on social affairs and community development, in view of the World Conference which will be convened by the United Nations in the first half of 1968, and that it unanimously decided to approve the suggestion that it should approach the General Secretariat of the OAU with a view to setting up a small committee of experts responsible for co-ordinating viewpoints and preparing an African platform for the forthcoming World Conference;

AUTHORIZES the Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity:

1. To act upon the suggestion made by the Conference of Ministers for Special Affairs, and invite an expert committee composed of officers of the conference representing the Congo (Kinshasa), Kenya, Madagascar, Mali, the United Arab Republic and Zambia, to meet at Addis Ababa before the World Conference is held and prepare a common and harmonious African position;
2. To take part in the forthcoming World Conference on Social Affairs, and Community Development in order to help the Member States of the Organization of African Unity to co-ordinate their activities in safeguarding a common African position at the World Conference.