

AFRICA AND UNCTAD (INSTITUTIONAL
REFORM)

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Eleventh Ordinary Session in Algiers, Algeria, from 4 to 12 September 1968,

Noting that, in the light of African experience with UNCTAD for the last four years and particularly at the Second UNCTAD, the necessity for certain changes to be made in the structure and working methods of UNCTAD to ensure greater effectiveness in the achievement of its aims and objectives has become apparent,

Recalling that during the Second UNCTAD the draft resolution regarding the role and improvement of the institutional machinery and the methods of work of UNCTAD was referred to the UNCTAD Board,

Considering the recommendations of the working party appointed by the Group of 77 during its meeting of 6 August 1968 to improve the machinery of UNCTAD, especially concerning:

- The functions of UNCTAD;
- Its Secretariat;
- Future sessions;
- The Trade and Development Board;
- Inter-governmental groups, expert groups and working parties;
- UNCTAD/GATT relations;
- Documentation.

Considering that the Board, which is now holding its seventh session in Geneva, should be able to take the appropriate decisions regarding the proposals listed above;

1. URGES all African countries to support these proposals.