RESOLUTION ON CONSULTATION BETWEEN AFRICAN COUNTRIES BEFORE THE VARIOUS MEETINGS OF THE GROUP OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Eighteenth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 14 to 19 February 1972,

<u>Having</u> considered the development of the international situation in regard in particular to decolonization and apartheid in Africa,

<u>Aware</u> of the importance of the mission of the OAU Member countries in the task of liberating the African Territories still under colonial and racist domination,

<u>Aware</u> also of the part which Africa must play in international organizations, in particular in those which have as members the countries of the Third World and first and foremost the group of non-aligned countries,

<u>Guided</u> by the principles of the Charter of the Organization of African Unity and of non - alignment set forth in the carious declarations and in particular the 1970 Lusaka Declaration,

<u>Taking into account</u> the proposal of the delegation of Zambia that the next conf erence of Heads of State and Government of non-aligned countries be held in Algiers (Algeria),

- REAFFIRMS its dedication to the principles of the OAU Charter and of nonalignment in particular the principles of national independence, territorial integrity, national unity and non-interference in the internal affairs of other States;
- RECOMMENDS retention of the principle of regular consultation between OAU
 member countries with a view to co-ordinating and harmonizing their viewpoints,

particular before meetings of non-aligned countries, in order to secure more effective mobilization of Third World countries and of international opinion in support of the African cause;

- 3. DECIDES to give a committee composed of African representatives of the Preparatory Committee of the non-aligned countries the task of preparing and submitting to the next OAU Council of Ministers a progress report on the preparatory work and recommendations based on the OAU Charter and on the carious OAU resolutions;
- 4. DECIDES further to propose that the next Assembly of Heads of State and Government of non-Aligned countries be held in Algiers (Algeria).