

**RESOLUTION ON UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON NEW AND  
RENEWABLE SOURCES OF ENERGY**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Thirty-seventh Ordinary Session in Nairobi, Kenya from 15 to 26 June 1981,

**Recognizing the significance of energy in national development and the role that new and renewable sources of energy can play in helping to meet the demand for energy,**

**Aware of the fact that accurate and reliable information on energy in general and new and renewable sources of energy in particular is frequently unavailable,**

**Conscious of the importance of integrating energy activities into overall national development programmes,**

**Convinced of the need for African countries to undertake joint action for the development and utilization of indigenous energy resources including new and renewable sources of energy,**

**Re-affirming the measures contained in the Lagos Plan of Action for the implementation of the Monrovia Strategy for the economic development of Africa,**

**Affirming the need for measures of international support for the implementation of energy programmes of the African Continent at the national, sub-regional and regional levels:**

- 1. URGES African governments to implement the recommendations of the African Plan of Action made by the Regional Preparatory Meeting on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and endorsed by the seventh meeting of**

**the Conference of Ministers responsible for Economic Planning and Development, Freetown (Sierra Leone) 6 - 11 April 1981;**

- 2. WELCOMES the decision to convene the United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy in Nairobi in August 1981;**
  
- 3. URGES Member States of the OAU to intensify their preparations for and to participate in the abovementioned Conference at the highest possible level in view of its importance to the countries of Africa. To that end CALLS upon the OAU Secretary-General, with the collaboration of the Executive Secretary of the ECA, to organize and harmonize a common African stand during the Nairobi meeting.**