

RESOLUTION ON THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

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

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the Specialized Agencies contained in Document CM/1120 (XXXVII) Part IV,

Recalling the adoption of resolution on the adoption of the Lagos Plan of Action which requests the OAU Secretary-General to utilize inter alia the services of the OAU Specialized Agencies in implementing the Lagos Plan of Action and the Final Act,

Recognizing that these Specialized Agencies are African institutions authorized to co-ordinate and harmonies the activities of Member States falling within their respective competence,

Bearing in mind that a number of Member States have neither signed nor ratified nor acceded to the conventions of the Specialized Agencies:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the report of the Secretary-General on the Specialized Agencies and **CONGRATULATES** these Specialized Agencies on their efforts and **INVITES** them to continue and intensify those efforts within the framework of their respective conventions establishing their terms of reference;
2. **URGES** Member States who are not members of the OAU Specialized Agencies to sign and ratify the conventions of these Agencies in accordance with their commitment to collective self-reliance and self-sustainment through the implementation of the Lagos Plan of Action and Final Act;

- 3. FURTHER URGES Member States which are members of these Specialized Agencies to take all necessary measures to meet their financial obligations by regularly paying up their contributions to the Budget of the Agencies;**
- 4. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to take appropriate follow-up measures with a view to ensuring the successful implementation of this resolution and to submit a progress report thereon to the Thirty-ninth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers.**