RESOLUTION TO PAY TRIBUTE TO PROFESSOR CHEIKH ANTA DIOP

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting in its Fortythird Ordinary session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 25 February to 4 March 1986,

<u>Having learnt</u> with great emotion and deep sorrow the death of Professor Cheikh Anta Diop, which is a cruel loss for Africa and the entire world,

<u>Aware</u> of the distinguished role that Professor Cheikh Anta Diop has always played in the assertion of the cultural identity and dignity of the black peoples as well as the historical, political and cultural renaissance of Africa,

<u>Acknowledging</u> with gratitude his contribution to the enrichment of the universal scientific heritage,

<u>Convinced</u> of the need to immortalize this worthy son of Africa for his invaluable contribution to enhance the prestige of Africa in the world,

- PRESENTS its heart felt condolences to the people, Head of State and Government of Senegal, as well as to the family of Professor Cheikh Anta Diop for the loss of one of the most ardent defenders of the dignity of the peoples of Africa,
- PAYS glowing tribute to Professor Cheikh Anta Diop for the invaluable services he has rendered to mankind particularly in the fields of Philosophy, History, Mathematics, Linguistics, Law and Anthropology,
 - 3. PAYS solemn tribute and EXPRESSES the profound gratitude of Africa to this exceptional man who devoted his whole life and genius to the glorious

struggle for the enrichment of the heritage of mankind and for the advent of the universal civilization.