RESOLUTION ON THE REINFORCEMENT OF THE PARTICIPATING CAPACITY OF THE OAU SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fortyfifth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 23 to 28 February, 1987,

<u>Having considered</u> the Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the OAU Specialized Agencies (Doc. CM/1406 (XLV) Part IV,

Noting with appreciation the efforts made by the Secretary-General and the Specialized Agencies of the OAU to implement the provisions of the Charter of the Organization, the Lagos Plan of Action and the Final Act of Lagos as well as subsequent declarations adopted by the Heads of State and Government on the economic development of Africa,

<u>Considering</u> the co-operation agreements concluded between the OAU and funding Institutions,

<u>Considering</u> the need to promote, if necessary, similar agreements between OAU Specialized Agencies and these institutions,

1. URGES Member States:

- to meet their financial obligations to the Specialized Agencies in order to enable them to carry out the functions and responsibilities entrusted to them in their respective fields of competence;
- b) to provide all political and logistical support to the Specialized Agencies.

2. REQUESTS the Secretary-General

- a) to assist the OAU Specialized agencies in their respective areas of competence to reinforce their capacities to contribute towards the promotion of co-operation between Member States and towards their economic recovery as well as to strengthen the co-operation between these agencies and the General Secretariat.
- b) to encourage within these agencies the setting up of mechanisms aimed at meeting the requirements of Member States for experts in the execution of tasks required in the implementation of national and regional projects.
- c) to assist and support the OAU specialized agencies in their negotiations with funding agencies to make OAU Specialized agencies, as a matter of priority, executing agencies with a view to using Africa expertise.
- d) to make periodic report to the Council on the implementation and follow-up of this resolution.
- 3. FURTHER CALLS all OAU Specialized Agencies to continue reporting on their activities to the Council through the Secretary-General of the OAU.