RESOLUTION ON THE SPECIAL EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FUND FOR DROUGHT AND FAMINE IN AFRICA

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-ninth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 20 to 25 February, 1989,

<u>Having considered</u> Document CM/1524 (XLIX) dealing with the Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Special Emergency Assistance Fund for Drought and Famine in Africa,

Bearing in mind the statutes of the Special Fund,

<u>Recalling</u> Resolutions AHG/Res.133 (XX), CM/Res.962 (XLI) and CM/1006 (XLIX) relating to the modalities for operating the Fund,

<u>Considering</u> the Decisions and Recommendations adopted by the Sixth and Seventh Ordinary Sessions of the Policy Committee of the Fund held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 20 to 22 June and 28 to 29 November, 1988 respectively,

<u>Noting with satisfaction</u> the commendable activities undertaken by the Fund for the benefit of Member States, victims of drought and famine,

Expressing serious concern over the gradual depletion of the financial resources of the Fund:

- **1.** TAKES NOTE of the Report of the Secretary-General;
- 2. TAKES NOTE of the decisions and recommendations adopted by the Policy Committee of the Fund and THANKS members of the Committee and the Secretary-General for the relentless efforts made to ensure the effective operation of the Fund;

- 3. EXPRESSES serious concern over the low contributions received during the period under review and strongly APPEALS to all Member States to make voluntary contributions to the Fund and to those who have made pledges, to honor them as soon as possible;
- 4. COMMENDS the Secretary-General and the Policy Committee of the Fund for the initiative taken to mobilize additional financial resources for the Fund and URGES them to pursue their efforts in that direction;
- 5. EXPRESSES its gratitude to non-African countries, institutions, associations and individuals who have generously contributed to the Fund;
- 6. ALSO EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION to institutions and organizations which have indicated an interest to support activities of the Fund and URGES the Secretary-General to establish the necessary contacts with them so that they effectively contribute to those activities;
- 7. APPEALS to Member States which have been awarded grants and/or loans by the Fund to strictly comply with the provisions of the agreement signed with the Fund particularly by regularly informing it of the progress made in the implementation of the projects financed.