

**RESOLUTION ON THE REACTIVATION OF
NORTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fiftieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 17 to 22 July, 1989,

Having considered the report of the OAU Permanent Steering Committee, contained in Document CM/1552 (L),

Deeply concerned over the persistent critical economic situation in Africa,

Convinced that a better climate in international economic relations could contribute to the recovery of the world economy and, thus, to the economic recovery and development of Africa,

Further convinced that regular consultations between developed and developing countries on overall economic issues of mutual interest and environment problems could, in a spirit of interdependence, play a decisive role in reactivating the North-South dialogue:

1. HAILS the recent initiative taken in Paris by the Presidents of Egypt, Senegal and Venezuela as well as the Prime Minister of India towards starting a new round of regular consultations at Summit level between developed and developing countries on global economic and environmental issues;
2. CONSIDERS that this initiative can promote a more fruitful North-South Dialogue and ENCOURAGE its promoters to pursue the efforts necessary to translate their ideas into action;
3. RECOMMENDS that the Assembly of Heads of State and Government mandate its Chairman to take the necessary steps to enable Africa to contribute to the reactivation of North-South dialogue as advocated in the Paris Initiative.