RESOLUTION ON THE SECOND AFRO-ARAB TRADE FAIR

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Sixty-Second Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 21 to 23 June, 1995,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on Afro-Arab Cooperation, contained in document CM/1891 (LXII),

Considering Resolution CM/Res.1343 (LIV) and CM/Res.1440 (LVII) on Afro-Arab Cooperation,

Bearing in mind the Declarations and Programmes of Action adopted by the First Summit Conference on Afro-Arab Cooperation held in Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt, from 7 to 9 March, 1997,

<u>Determined</u> to promote Afro-Arab Cooperating in all fields:

- 1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Secretary-General on Afro-Arab Cooperation;
- 2. **TAKES NOTE WITH SATISFACTION**, the preparations underway at the level of the Preparatory Committee of the Second Afro-Arab Trade Fair to be held in Johannesburg, South Africa, from 6 to 14 October, 1995;
- 3. **REQUESTS** all Member States to participate fully in the various activities of this Second Afro-Arab Trade Fair and to take appropriate steps to ensure a wide publicity of the event;
- 4. **ALSO REQUESTS** African regional Organizations, ECA, ADB etc. to provide the necessary support to ensure the success of the fair INVITES international institutions (UNIDO, UNCTAD, ITC, UNESCO, etc...);
- 5. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to continue his representation to the relevant institutions including the European Union with a view to mobilizing the necessary financial resources which could facilitate the participation of Member States;
- 6. **EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE** to the Government of the Republic of South

Africa for the excellent arrangements so far made towards ensuring the success of this important Afro-Arab Fair;

7. **REQUESTS** the Secretary-General to submit a report to the 63rd Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers on the result of this Second Afro-Arab Trade Fair.