

**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 Sixty-Second Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 21 to 23 June, 1995,

**Having considered** the report of the Secretary-General on the activities and functioning of the Special Emergency Assistance Fund for Drought and Famine in Africa, contained in Document CM/1895 (LXII),

**Recalling** the aims and objectives of the Special Emergency Fund, as an instrument for active solidarity and cooperation and the expression of the will of Africa to fight against drought and famine,

**Deeply concerned** with the extent of drought in Africa and its repercussions on the economic and social development of Member States,

**Recalling further** its Resolutions CM/Res.1315 (LVIII) and CM/Res.1336 (LVII), relating to the campaign to sensitise the donors and mobilize financial resources for the Fund,

**Deeply concerned** with the financial situation of the Fund and the gradual depletion of its resources and the absence of new contributions:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the report of the Secretary-General on the Special Emergency Assistance Fund for Drought and Famine in Africa, contained in Document CM/1895 (LXII);
2. **APPROVES** the recommendations adopted by the Policy Committee of the Special Emergency Fund, meeting in its Nineteenth Ordinary Session on 22 May, 1995, relating to the mobilization of financial resources for the Fund;
3. **REQUESTS** particularly the Secretary-General and the Policy Committee of the Special Fund to explore new ways and means of replenishing the Special Fund;
4. **URGES** Member States, beneficiaries of financial assistance from the Fund, to submit periodic reports on progress made in implementing their projects;
5. **ONCE AGAIN APPEALS** to the International Community, all Member States, governmental and non-governmental organizations and business community to contribute generously to the Fund;
6. **EXPRESSES SATISFACTION** with the activities undertaken by the Special Emergency Fund during the first decade of its existence and **THANKS** Member States of the Policy Committee of the Fund and the Secretary-General for the laudable efforts made to ensure the smooth running of the Fund;

7. **THANKS** the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office for the technical and financial assistance given to the Fund during this decade as part of the campaign to mobilize financial resources for the Fund;
8. **FURTHER EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE** to the African Development Bank (ADB) for its constant cooperation and laudable efforts in managing the financial resources of the Fund during this decade;
9. **MANDATES** the Secretary-General to prepare and sign a new agreement between the OAU and the ADB on the administration and management of the financial resources of the Fund, when the present agreement expires on 5 July, 1995, for a further period of 5 (five) years.