

**RESOLUTION ON THE PROPOSED COOPERATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND
THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF JURISTS**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Sixty-Fourth Ordinary Session in Yaounde, Cameroon, from 1 to 5 July, 1996,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the proposed Cooperating Agreement between the Organization of African Unity (OAU) and the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) Doc. CM/1931 (LXIV),

Considering the mandate of the ICJ and its important role in the promotion and protection of Human Rights in African and especially in the support rendered towards the establishment and functioning of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights,

Considering also that the principles and objectives governing the activities of the ICJ are in conformity with the principles and purposes of the OAU,

Taking into account the need to enhance the cooperation between the OAU and ICJ in the field of human rights in Africa;

Considering that the formalization of already existing relations between the OAU and ICJ will enable these two organizations to strengthen their cooperating in order to harmonize and coordinate their activities in relevant fields of common interest:

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Secretary-General;
2. **APPROVES** the Draft Cooperation Agreement between the OAU and the ICJ;

3. **AUTHORIZES** the OAU Secretary-General to sign the said Agreement with the duly empowered representative of ICJ.