DECISION ON THE REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON CONTRIBUTIONS DOC. EX/CL/27 (III)

The Executive Council:

- **1. TAKES NOTE** of the Report;
- 2. **COMMENDS** Member States that have paid their contributions;
- 3. **URGES** all Member States to honour their financial obligations to the Union;
- 4. **DECIDES** that:
 - i) Contributions for the seven-month period (June to December 2002) should be added to contributions for 2003 to form a 19-month financial year with regard to arrears of contribution;
 - ii) The following Member States remain under sanctions:

Guinea Bissau Liberia Central African Republic Democratic Republic of Congo Sao Tome and Principe Seychelles Somalia The Union of Comoros

- iii) The sanctions imposed on Niger should be lifted;
- iv) A temporary and exceptional exemption should be granted to Sierra Leone;
- v) Member States that have submitted rescheduling plans should observe the said plans while paying their contributions for the current financial year;
- vi) Sanctions should be maintained against Member States in default of payment.