

**RESOLUTION ON THE USE OF NUCLEAR SCIENCE FOR PEACE AND
DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity meeting at its Forty-fourth Ordinary Session at Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 21 to 26 July 1986,

Recalling the Lome Declaration on Security, Disarmament and Development in Africa and the Programme of Action for Peace, Security and Development in Africa, adopted at the OAU Regional Conference on Security, Disarmament and Development in Africa held at Lome, Togo, from 13 to 16 August, 1985,

Convinced that all countries have the inalienable right to develop programmes for peaceful uses of nuclear science for their socio-economic development in accordance with their priorities, interests and needs,

Acknowledging that nuclear science can play a crucial role in the promotion of the socio-economic development of African countries,

Having examined the agenda item entitled “Nuclear Science for Peace and Disarmament: Africa’s Role”, (CM/1375 (XLIV) Add. V of July 1985,

Conscious of the fact that inter-African co-operation at the regional and sub-regional levels can facilitate the development and utilization of nuclear science for the benefit of the people of Africa,

Considering that international co-operation and assistance are essential for the development and use of nuclear science for peaceful purposes in Africa:

1. TAKES NOTE of the proposal submitted by the government of the Republic of Uganda on Africa’s role in nuclear science for peace and development and the comments made there to;

- 2. RECOMMENDS the convening of a seminar of African, Scientists, Researchers and Institutions on Africa's Role in Nuclear Science for Peace and Development;**
- 3. REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the OAU to establish a Committee of Experts composed of a representative of each of the 5 regions of Africa, the OAU/STRC and the OAU Secretariat to organize the seminar during 1987 in collaboration with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Africa and other relevant agencies and organs of the United Nations System;**
- 4. WELCOMES the convening from (23 March to 10 April 1987) of the United Nations Conference on the Promotion of International Co-operation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy in Geneva and encourages the participation of African countries in that Conference;**
- 5. REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the OAU to submit a full report on the seminar to the Forty-sixth Session of the Council of Ministers;**
- 6. REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the OAU to place on the agenda of the Forty-sixth Session of the Council of Ministers an item entitled "Nuclear Science for Peace and Development: Africa's Role."**