

CM/Res.1343 (LIV)

**RESOLUTION ON AFRO-ARAB COOPERATION**

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Fifty-fourth Ordinary Session in Abuja, Federal Republic of Nigeria, from 27 May to 1 June 1991,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General,

Bearing in mind the Declarations and the Program of Action adopted by the first Afro-Arab Summit held in Cairo, Egypt from 7 to 9 March 1977,

Determined to promote and strengthen Afro-Arab Cooperation in all fields,

Recalling its Resolutions CM/Res.1210 (L), CM/Res.1250 (LI) and CM/Res.1306 (LII):

1. TAKES NOTE of the introductory note of the Secretary-General on Afro-Arab Cooperation;
2. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to pursue his consultations with the League of Arab States and other parties involved with the aim of implementing cooperation programs already approved, and in particular, the organization of the First Afro-Arab Trade Fair, the project to establish an Afro-Arab Finance and Investment Company, the draft framework agreement on the establishment of an Afro-Arab Preferential Trade Area, as well as other programs relating to culture and information;
3. ACCEPTS the proposal of the two OAU/League of Arab States Secretariats and the Host country, Tunisia, to postpone to 1993, the organization in Tunis of the First Afro-Arab Trade Fair, DECIDES that budgetary appropriations which had been allocated for this project should be retained for the financial year under consideration and URGES Member States to fully cooperate in the organization of the said trade fair;
4. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to take the necessary steps, in close collaboration with his counterpart of the League of Arab States, with a view to convening at the earliest convenience, the Twelfth Ordinary Session of the Permanent Standing Commission on Afro-Arab Cooperation planned for Algiers, in consultation with the Government of Algeria.