

RESOLUTION
ON INTER-AFRICAN ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION AND INTEGRATION

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Twentieth Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 12 – 15 November, 1984,

Recalling its decisions and collective economic strategy as embodied in the Lagos Plan of Action and the Final Act of Lagos,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on Economic Situation in Africa (Doc. AHG/118 (XX)),

Aware that economic independence and development of each individual Member State can be successfully achieved and sustained through collective efforts and solidarity,

Reaffirming its solemn commitment to put together our collective effort to implement the Lagos Plan of Action and the Final Act of Lagos, in conformity with resolution AHG/115 (XIX):

1. **REAFFIRMS** its determination and commitments to the ideals and objectives of the Lagos Plan of Action and Final Act of Lagos of collective self-reliance in order to achieve self-sustained economic and social development;
2. **COMMENDS** the efforts of the Secretary-General of the OAU in his endeavor to assist the Member States to implement the Lagos Plan of Action and Final Act of Lagos;
3. **CONGRATULATES** the Member States of the Eastern, Southern and Western regions of Africa on the establishment of regional cooperation institutions of conformity with the spirit of the Final Act of Lagos;
4. **COMMENDS** the collective efforts of the Member States of the Central African Region for the establishment of the Economic Community of the

Central African States (ECCAS), in keeping with the spirit of the Final Act of Lagos and appeals to the relevant UN Specialized Agencies to provide required assistance to this new economic groupings as well as to those existing in East and Southern Africa (PTA, SADCC) and in West Africa (ECOWAS AND CEAO);

- 5. REQUESTS the Secretary-General of the OAU, in collaboration with the Executive Secretary of the ECA, and with the assistance of the UN Specialized Agencies, to study all ways and means in order to ensure co-ordination and harmonization of policies and programmes at horizontal and vertical levels, between existing sub-regional and regional economic grouping so as to ensure effective wider co-operation among the Member States;**
- 6. GIVES mandate to the Secretary General of the OAU, in collaboration with the ECA, to undertake required steps and necessary consultations with the Heads Executives of the existing sub-regional and regional economic groupings;**
- 7. TAKES NOTE of steps, arrangements and technical studies already undertaken by the General Secretariat of the OAU, in collaboration with the ECA and UNDP, for the establishment of the African Economic Community and REQUESTS the Secretary-General to submit an interim report on the project to the Twenty-first Ordinary Session of the Assembly.**

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