

**RESOLUTION ON REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON
SECURITY DEVELOPMENT AND DISARMAMENT**

The Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Twenty-first Ordinary Session in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 18 to 20 July, 1985,

Taking note with appreciation the progress report of the OAU Secretary-General on preparations for the convening of a Regional conference on Security, Development and Disarmament,

Recalling its Resolution AHG/Res. 126 (XX) adopted at its Twentieth Assembly in which it supported the holding of such a Regional Conference,

Recalling United Nations General Assembly resolutions 39/61 A and B, 39/160 and 39/63 J dealing respectively with the Implementation of the Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa, the Convening of an International Conference on Disarmament and Development and the World Disarmament Campaign.

Firmly convinced of the inter-relationship between security, development and disarmament and of the need for the United Nations to establish an institutional arrangement in Africa to conduct indepth studies and promote the objectives of peace, disarmament and development:

1. **EXPRESSES** its **SATISFACTION** with the progress made in preparing for the Regional Conference and welcomes the active co-operation between the OAU, UN Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR) and the United Nations Secretariat and in particular the Department for Disarmament Affairs;
2. **EXPRESSES** its **APPRECIATION** to the Government of the Republic of Togo for its offer to host this Conference in August 1985, and for its commendable efforts made in the preparations for the successful convening of the Conference;

- 3. WELCOMES United Nations General Assembly resolution 39/63 adopted by consensus at the Assembly's Thirty-ninth Session, envisaging the establishment of Regional institutional arrangements under the United Nations World Disarmament Campaign Programme and INVITES the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in accordance with that resolution, to take the necessary measures to establish such a Regional Office in Africa;**

- 4. STRONGLY RECOMMENDS to all the Member States to take an active part in the Regional Conference at Lomé at ministerial level;**

- 5. REQUESTS the OAU Secretary-General to report to the Twenty-second Summit through the Council of Ministers on all the issues related to the implementation of this resolution.**

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