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REPORT ON THE  
FIRST ALL-AFRICA TRADE FAIR



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The First All-Africa Trade Fair was successfully staged at Jan. Jiri Park, Nairobi, from February 23 to March 5, 1972.

2. The Final Report of the Organizing Committee was submitted to the 19th ordinary session of the Council of Ministers (Document CM/451). At this session the Council congratulated the Government of Kenya for its efforts in staging a successful Fair.
3. In discussions, in Committee C, the representative of Kenya "informed the Committee that the Financial Report (on the Fair) is being audited and will be forwarded to the OAU Secretariat. The Documentary Film is being processed and will be ready before the 20th ordinary session of the Council of Ministers" (Report of Committee C paragraph 14). Consequently, Committee C "called for the finalization of pending issues such as the Financial Report and the 35mm. colour documentary film" and "decided that all these issues be submitted to the 20th ordinary session of the Council of Ministers" (Paragraph 15, Committee C Report).
4. In the light of this decision the Secretariat despatched a note verbale (Annex I) to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya drawing its attention to both pending issues.
5. In the absence of any communication from the Ministry, the Secretariat despatched a second note (Annex II) on 15 December 1972, informing the Ministry that an item on the Financial Report and the documentary Film has been inscribed in the Provisional Agenda for the 20th ordinary session and asked for information "on the status of the Financial Report and the Film at its earliest opportunity".
6. On 28 December 1972, a cable (annex III) was sent to the Ministry seeking information on both matters relating to the First All-Africa Trade Fair. On the date of writing this note, no response has been received.

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13 September 1972.

The General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya and has the honour to draw its attention to two pending matters relating to the First All Africa Trade Fair.

First, the official Financial Report of the Fair has never been submitted. The last meeting of the Organizing Committee (March 27 - 1 April 1972) recommended that the audited report be submitted to the Nineteenth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers held at Rabat, Morocco. At that meeting the delegate of the Government of Kenya (in Committee C) announced that the report is yet to be finalized. The Council, therefore, recommended (Report of Committee C Paragraph 15) that the audited Financial Report be submitted to the 20th Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers scheduled for January 1973.

The second pending issue is the colour documentary film. Here again the last meeting of the Organizing Committee recommended that the film be ready on time for the 19th Ordinary Session at Rabat. At this session the delegation of the Government of Kenya explained that the film is being processed outside the continent. The 19th Ordinary Session subsequently recommended that the film be ready for a first showing to the 20th Ordinary Session of the Council.

The General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya the assurances of its highest consideration.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Nairobi  
KENYA.

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The General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya and has the honour to refer to the Secretariat's note verbale ECO 60/5/900-72 of 13 September 1972, concerning the finalization of pending issues relating to the First All Africa Trade Fair. ,

Committee C of the 19th Ordinary Session "decided that all these issues (the Financial Report and the 35mm. colour documentary film) be submitted to the 20th Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers." The Secretariat has, therefore, inscribed an item entitled "the Financial Report for the First All-Africa Trade Fair" on the Provisional Agenda of the 20th Ordinary Session. The 35mm. colour documentary film will be taken up under the above heading.

It should be appreciated if the Ministry could advise the Secretariat on the status of the Financial Report and the film at its earliest opportunity.

The General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya the assurances of its highest consideration.

ADDIS ABABA, 5th December 1972.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Nairobi  
KENYA.

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MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
NAIROBI (KENYA)

REF OUR NOTES ECO 60/5/900-72 AND ES/ECO/6/2 OF THIRTEEN  
SEPTEMBER AND FIFTH DECEMBER RESPECTIVELY ON THE FAIR STOP HONOUR  
INFORM SECRETARIAT PREPARING A NOT. FOR TWENTIETH SESSION OF COUNCIL  
STOP GRATEFUL ADVISE STATUS FINANCIAL REPORT AND DOCUMENTARY FILM  
SOONEST STOP HIGHEST CONSIDERATION

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