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REPORT ON STATE MEMBERSHIP OF THE FIVE OAU REGIONS OF AFRICA



The Ninth Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity held in Rabat during the month of June 1972, when it was electing the Chairman in Office and the Assembly Bureau, raised the question of the number and determination of regions in Africa.

After an exchange of views on the subject, the Assembly decided on the principle of the sub-division of the Continent into five geographical regions and requested the Secretary-General to make proposals to the next Session as to the States constituting each region.

The five regions are the following:

- Northern Region
- Western Region
- Central Region
- Eastern Region
- Southern Region

The General Secretariat considers that the regions could be composed of the following States:

Northern Region - 5 States : Egypt, Libya, Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco

Western Region - 14 States : Mauritania, Senegal, The Gambia, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Ivory Coast, Ghana, Togo, Dahomey, Nigeria, Niger, Upper Volta, Mali.

- Central Region - 9 States : Cameroon, Chad, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Congo, Zaire, Rwanda, Burundi.
- Eastern Region - 7 States: Sudan, Ethiopia, Somalia, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia
- Southern Region- 6 States: Malawi, Madagascar, Mauritius, Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland.

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The Secretary General's Report on the working of The Executive Secretariat of the Coordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa

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