

**RESOLUTION ON THE AFRICAN CANDIDATURE TO THE POST OF
DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (UNIDO)**

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,

Recalling United Nations General Assembly Resolution 3362 (S-VII) endorsing the recommendation of the Second General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization to convert that Organization into a Specialized Agency,

Recalling also United Nations General Assembly Resolution 34/96 of 13 December 1979, 37/213 of 20 December, 1982, and 38/193 of 20 December 1983 on transitional arrangements and follow-up actions required for the immediate conversion of the Organization into a Specialized Agency,

Recalling further Resolution AHG/Res.113 (XIX) adopted by the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the OAU at its Nineteenth Ordinary Session on African candidatures to international organizations including that of Professor Abedayo Adedeji for the post of Director-General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO),

Noting with satisfaction the decision of the United Nations General Assembly in Resolution 39/231 of 18 December 1984 to provide adequate resources for holding the first General Conference of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization,

Also noting with satisfaction that the Constitution of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization has been ratified, accepted and approved by a number of countries much larger than the minimum number of states whose agreement is necessary for its entry into force,

Bearing in mind that the industrialization of Africa is a critical factor in bringing about a major change in the socio-economic transformation and development of Africa,

Convinced that the acceleration of the industrialization of Africa would greatly contribute to the development of other sectors especially in overcoming the current crisis in agricultural production and ensuring a self-sustained growth and development of the agricultural sector,

Convinced further that the conversion of UNIDO into a Specialized Agency would greatly enhance its role as focal point within the United Nations System for coordinating all matters concerning industrial development, thus accelerating the implementation of the Lima Declaration on International Cooperation and Development and the Industrial Development Decade for Africa (IDDA),

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