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ON

THE CONFERENCE ON THE ROLE OF AFRICAN CENTRAL BANKS
IN DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT IN AFRICA

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I. Background and purpose of the Conference

1. The purpose of this Conference is to examine the role of African Central Banks or similar monetary institutions in the economic development of their respective countries and Africa. The framework within which this is achieved including African investment laws will also be examined.

II. Date and place

2. The Conference will be held in Geneva, Switzerland, from 3 - 7 December 1973 inclusive.

III. Participants

3. African Central Banks and similar monetary institutions are being invited to nominate a candidate each to participate in the Conference.

4. A limited number of African experts would be invited in their own right to participate in the Conference.

5. African inter-governmental organizations are also being invited to send observers.

6. Specialized agencies having an interest in the subject matter will be invited to send observers.

7. Non-governmental and governmental organizations whose purposes and programmes are closely connected with the subject matter of the Conference will also be invited to send observers.

IV. Topics for discussions

8. The draft provisional agenda for the Conference is reproduced in the attached Annex.

V. Documentation

9. Advance background papers will be circulated to participants and observers.

VI. Languages

10. The Conference will be conducted in English, French and Italian and arrangements will be made for interpretation into and from these languages.

VII. Administrative and financial arrangements

11. Return economy class tickets and board and lodging in respect of participants and observers referred to in paragraph 3, 4 and 5 above will be provided by EMCO. Other observers are expected to bear their own travel and subsistence costs.

12. It will be appreciated if nominations for the Conference could be communicated by 30 October 1973.

VIII. International board of co-operation for the developing countries

13. The International Board, whose headquarters are in Rome, is a private, non-profit-making organization with no political affiliation, which was founded to assist the developing countries in their struggle for economic and social development. It is in consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council and is a member of the Co-ordinating Committee of the OAU/BPEAR. Its financial resources are derived from donations made by organizations and private individuals interested in its work.

ANNEX

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- A. Opening of the Conference, election of Officers, adoption of Agenda and method of work.

- B. Topic 1 - The role of African Central Banks in Development.
Topic 2 - African Investment Laws in Development.
Topic 3 - Adoption of report: conclusions, recommendations and follow-up action.

- C. Formal closing.