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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS

105(XII). Co-operation between the Economic Commission for Africa and the Organization of African Unity

The Conference of Ministers,

Recalling Commission resolution 190(IX) on relations with the Organization of African Unity, and in particular paragraphs 3 and 4 of that resolution recommending that reports on the activities of the Economic Commission for Africa be presented regularly for the consideration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity in order that the Commission might enjoy the necessary political support and requesting the secretariats of the Organization of African Unity and the Economic Commission for Africa to pursue all forms of desired co-operation and to find the best ways and means of increasing the efficiency of such co-operation in the interest of the development of Africa and to report regularly to the policy-making bodies of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Organization of African Unity,

Acknowledging the role which the Economic Commission for Africa and other bodies of the United Nations system play in the economic and social activities sponsored by the Organization of African Unity,

Recognizing the effective action taken by the ECA/OAU Joint Meeting on Trade and Development in the global negotiations in the trade, monetary and financial spheres,

Recognizing further the success achieved in establishing the Pan-African Telecommunication Network project jointly sponsored by the Organization of African Unity, the International Telecommunication Union and the Economic Commission for Africa,

Aware of the important role which the Commission is expected to play in the implementation of programmes to cope with drought and food shortages in Africa and of schemes for economic co-operation and integration and in the execution of the programme for the construction, maintenance and operation of the network of African highways,

1. Decides to intensify such joint action in order to expedite and render more effective collective action by African countries in economic and social affairs;

2. Requests the Executive Secretary to prepare, in co-operation with the Administrative Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity, for consideration by the Executive Committee at one of its forthcoming meetings and by the competent bodies of the Organization of African Unity, a report on ways and means of making the Conference of Ministers of the Economic Commission for Africa a recognized African ministerial conference for economic and social affairs which will report to the Economic and Social Council and other competent bodies of the United Nations, in keeping with its United Nations mandate, and to the Organization of African Unity.

183rd meeting,
28 February 1975.