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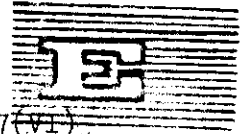


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STANDARD CUSTOMS NOMENCLATURE

Resolution 107(VI) adopted by the Commission at its 112th plenary meeting
on 29 February 1964

The Economic Commission for Africa,

Bearing in mind recommendation No. 3 in the report on the second session of the Standing Committee on Trade (E/CN.14/253),

Considering that it would be desirable to establish a standard form of customs tariff nomenclature for all African countries as a means of facilitating customs operations and tariff negotiations,

Noting that Twenty-eight African countries have already adopted, or are in the process of adopting, such form of tariff nomenclature,

Believing that the adoption by the remaining African countries of such form of tariff nomenclature is an essential prerequisite to the successful conclusion and operation of multilateral treaties aimed at the liberalization of intra-African trade and the eventual formation of an African common market,

Recalling that the Brussels Tariff Nomenclature is the only internationally recognized standard classification of goods specifically designed for customs tariff purposes and is the form of standard tariff instrument adopted, or to be adopted, by the Twenty-eight African countries mentioned above and by more than eighty countries in all,

1. Recommends the adoption of the Brussels Tariff Nomenclature by all African countries which have not yet adopted it;
2. Recommends likewise that all such countries seek and accept the co-operation of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Customs Co-operation Council in the transposition of their existing tariffs to the Brussels Tariff Nomenclature;
3. Requests the Executive Secretary to convene in 1964, or as soon as possible, a study group for the standardization of customs tariff nomenclature to enable the above countries, with the assistance of customs experts drawn from the Commission and the Council, to undertake the immediate and simultaneous transposition of their tariffs to the Brussels Tariff Nomenclature.