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MEETING TO ARRANGE FOR STABLE AGREEMENT ON THE
STANDARDIZATION OF FREIGHT RATES

Resolution 101(VI) adopted by the Commission at its 112th plenary meeting
on 29 February 1964

The Economic Commission for Africa,

Viewing with grave concern the high freight rates charged for shipment of African overseas exports and imports and coastal trade by the West African Lines Conference,

Considering that the frequent fluctuations of such rates render agricultural, industrial and trade development plans meaningless, for all practical purposes,

Recognizing further the increase in living costs in West Africa as a result of such arbitrarily established shipping rates,

Noting with profound anxiety that the increase of such freight rates arbitrarily imposed by the Lines Conference adversely affect and endanger the viability of national economies,

Desirous of bringing about an essential change to remedy this situation,

Requests the Executive Secretary to use his good offices to call urgently a meeting of all interested parties, i.e. the lines and the users of their services, in order to arrange for a stable and guaranteed agreement on the standardization of freight rates at levels equitably fixed in comparison with similar rates prevailing in other parts of the world.

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