RESOLUTION ON THE PREPARATION OF THE THIRD SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON DISARMAMENT

The Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, meeting in its Forty-eighth Ordinary Session, in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 19 to 23 May 1988,

Recalling the Declaration and the Programme of Action on Disarmament, Development and Security in Africa, adopted in Lome in August 1985 and endorsed by the Twenty-third Ordinary Session of the OAU Assembly of Heads of State and Government,

Recalling further that the Forty-fourth Ordinary Session of the Council had set up an Ad-Hoc Committee of Fourteen (14) charged with the detailed study of the Lome Declaration and Programme of Action,

Bearing in mind its Resolution CM/Res.1140 (XLXII) of 27 February 1988, which called upon the Group of Experts of Member Countries of the Ad-Hoc Committee of Fourteen (14) at the UN, to prepare a document reflecting the views of African States on all issues to be considered during the Third UN Special Session on Disarmament and to submit the said Document to the Forty-eighth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers for approval,

Having considered the document prepared by the Group of Experts:

1. ADOPTS the said Document and REQUESTS the General Secretariat to submit it to the Extra-ordinary Meeting of the Co-ordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement, scheduled to take place in Havana from 26 – 30 May 1988, and which was entrusted with the task of drafting a document reflecting the movement for submission to the Third Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly on Disarmament;
2. REITERATES the appeal launched to all Member States at its Forty-seventh Ordinary Session, to participate in the Third Special Session due to be held in New York from 31 May to 25 June, 1988;

3. REQUESTS the Secretary-General to monitor the deliberations of this Third Special Session and report to the Forty-ninth Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers.