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**755(XXVIII).AFRICAN CENTRE OF METEOROLOGICAL APPLICATIONS FOR
DEVELOPPEMENT (ACMAD)**

THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS

Aware that the report of the fifth meeting of the Board of Governors of the African Centre of Meteorological Applications for Development (ACMAD), held in Nairobi in February 1993, was reviewed by the seventh meeting of the Joint Intergovernmental Regional Committee on Human Settlements and Environment.

Noting with appreciation that the Centre has maintained an appreciable level of programme delivery, thanks in part to the contributions of many member States and some development partners of Africa in the implementation of resolution 741 (XXVII) of April 1992,

Further noting with much appreciation that the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of countries has expressed willingness to support the Centre,

Recalling its resolution 621 (XXII) adopting the constitution of the Centre and particularly Article 5 on the nomination of the members of the Board of the Governors and Article 11 on the assistance to be provided by the Commission and the World Meteorological Organization to the Centre.

Mindful of the need to broaden the institutional sponsorship of the centre in order to equally broaden its resource mobilisation base.

Expressing its appreciation to the World Meteorological Organization, the United Nations Environmental Programme and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations for the valuable support that they have been providing to the Centre so far.

Aware of the need to ensure that the running cost of the Centre are fully supported by all the member states in order to meet the main objectives of implementation of Agenda 21,

Cognizant of its responsibility to periodically review the membership of the Board of Governors of the Centre,

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1. Decides that the present membership of Board of Governors is as follows: North Africa: Algeria, Morocco; West Africa: Cote d'Ivoire, Nigeria, Niger; Central Africa: Burundi, Congo; Southern Africa: Angola, Malawi, Mauritius; Eastern Africa: Ethiopia, Kenya.

2. Urges member States in their relations with their development partners, to advocate greater support to the Centre;

3. Further urges member States which are members of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group and have ratified the constitution of the Centre to support its project submission to the ACP Secretariat through the representative of European Development fund in their country and keep the Commission and the World Meteorological Organization informed;

4. Calls upon member States to ratify the constitution of the Centre if they have not yet done so and meet their financial obligations;

5. Calls upon the Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization, the Executive Director of the United Nations Environmental Programme and the Director General of the Food and Agriculture Organization to strengthen their support to the Centre in the mobilization of financial, scientific and technical resources necessary for the implementation of the research and other programmes of the Centre;

6. Requests the Executive Secretary of the Commission and the Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization to consider the possibility of the two agencies co-sponsoring the Centre;

7. Further requests the Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization to favourably consider channeling financial support and for enhancing its technical assistance to the Centre with available means at its disposal;

8. Also requests the Executive Secretary of the Commission and the Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization, in collaboration with the host country to organize a second donors meeting to mobilize resources for the Centre.

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**741(XXVIII)
THE WORK PROGRAMME
AND BUDGET OF THE AFRICAN CENTRE
OF METEOROLOGICAL APPLICATION FOR
DEVELOPPEMENT FOR 1992/1994**

THE CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS

Recalling resolution 540(XX) of 1985 which decided to establish an African Centre of Meteorological Applications for Development as an institution that will contribute in addressing the climate and environment related causes of African economic crises,

Also recalling resolution 621 (XXII) of April 1987 which established the Centre, adopted its Constitution and located the Centre in Niamey, Republic of the Niger.

Further recalling of the importance of resolution 651 (XXIII) of 1988 on the mobilization of resources from member States for the recurrent budget of the Centre,

Fully aware of other resolutions that have been adopted on the matter of making the Centre operational,

Having examined the report of the fourth meeting of the Board of Governors of the Centre,

Noting with regret that the Centre is facing serious resource problems in meeting the recurrent expenditures for the operations of the Centre,

Appreciative of the fact that the Centre has begun to realize some of its objectives by the dissemination of some of its products for the use of member States,

Concerned that despite these encouraging efforts, the centre does not have sufficient financial resources from member States to meet the recurrent expenditures,

Determined to see that the Centre is fully supported financially by member State to meet the social and economic development objectives of the Centre,

1. Approves the budget of the Centre as proposed ;
2. Decides that the initial year for payment of contributions shall be 1989 the year following the adoption of the scale of contribution ;

3. Urges all member States which have not yet done so to ratify the Constitution of the Centre as soon as possible,

4. Further urges member States to support the Centre by seconding their scientists for short periods and at their expense to participate in implementation of the programmes of the Centre,

5. Calls upon all member States that have not as yet made any payments of their contributions to do so as soon as possible, with effect from 1989,

6. Further calls upon those member states that have honoured some of their contributions but are still in arrears to pay them as soon as possible ;

7. Expresses its appreciation to those member States and donors who have honoured their pledge to support the Centre,

8. Requests the Executive Secretary of the Commission to investigate the possibility of member States making their contributions through the local United Nations development Programmes offices in local currency ;

9. Requests the Executive Secretary of the Commission to report to the next Conference of Ministers on the implementation of the present resolution as well as the functioning of the Centre.

281st meeting.

22 April 1992