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

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 Intergouvernmentall 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, Caribean 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,

United Nations Economic Commission For Africa

- 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.
- 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, Caraibbean 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;
- 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 strenghten their suuport to the Centre in the mobilization of financial, scientific and technical ressources 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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