

GENERAL RESOLUTION

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Recalling the decision of the OAU Council of Ministers (CM/Dec. 459 (LXX)), adopted at its 70th Ordinary Session, held in Algiers from 8 to 10 July 1999, urging OAU Member States and the international community, in collaboration with UNHCR, to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the 1969 OAU Convention Governing the Specific Aspects of Refugee Problems in Africa,

Recalling, further, the decision of the OAU and UNHCR to organize a Special OAU/UNHCR Meeting of Government and Non-Government Technical Experts, whose purpose would be to adopt a Comprehensive Implementation Plan (CIP) aimed at strengthening and enhancing the implementation of the OAU Convention so as to ensure the effective protection of, and assistance to, refugees, asylum-seekers and returnees in Africa and to identify comprehensive durable solutions to their problems in the years to come,

Accepting with appreciation the invitation of the Government of Guinea, recognizing that Guinea is generously hosting hundreds of thousands of refugees which impose heavy social, economic, and security burdens upon the country and its people, and noting the continuing need for assistance by the international community, it was decided to hold this meeting in Conakry,

WE, Government and Non-Government Technical Experts, meeting in Conakry, Guinea, from 27 to 29 March 2000, HEREBY:

1. *Adopt* the Comprehensive Implementation Plan (CIP), a Resolution on Internally Displaced Persons, and a Resolution on Statelessness and request the OAU Commission on Refugees and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to transmit, as a matter of urgency, to the 71st OAU Council of Ministers and the 51st Session of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme (EXCOM), respectively;
2. *Appeal* to the OAU Council of Ministers and the EXCOM to adopt all necessary measures within their competence to ensure full implementation of the Comprehensive Implementation Plan, the Resolution on Internally Displaced Persons, and the Resolution on Statelessness;
3. *Appeal*, further, to the international community to provide the necessary resources and funds to ensure the full implementation and follow-up of the Comprehensive Implementation Plan.