DECLARATION ON THE SUCCESSFUL HOSTING OF THE 2010 FIFA WORLD CUP BY THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

The Assembly,

Recalling the historic decision of FIFA accepting the offer by South Africa to host the 2010 World Cup, the first ever on the African continent;

Also Recalling the Khartoum Assembly Decision declaring 2007 as the International Year of African Football, as an expression of solidarity with South Africa;

Further Recalling the January 2010 Assembly Decision declaring that the 2010 Africa Day celebration focus on: Building and Maintaining Peace through Sport in Africa;

Noting with pride and satisfaction the impressive planning, organization and hosting of the FIFA World Cup by South Africa, from 11 June to 11 July 2010;

1. **CONGRATULATES** the President, the Government and People of the Republic of South Africa for the successful world event which raised the profile of South Africa and indeed the whole Continent.

2. **COMMENDS** the African teams that participated in the World Cup, namely, Algeria, Cameroun, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Nigeria and South Africa, in particular the Black Stars of Ghana which had sterling performance in the service of Africa.

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