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**REPORT OF THE FOURTEENTH SESSION OF THE
MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON CANDIDATURE IN THE
INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM**

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA, 29 JANUARY 2009

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Ministerial Committee on Candidature in the International System held its fourteenth ordinary session on 29 January 2009 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, under the chairmanship of H.E. Moctar Ouane, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Mali.

II. PARTICIPANTS

2. The following Member States participated at the meeting: Angola, South Africa, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cote d'Ivoire, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Libya, Malawi, Mali, Nigeria, Rwanda, Somalia and Uganda.

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

3. The following agenda was adopted by the Committee:

- (i) Implementation of Decision EX.CL/Dec.453 (XIII);
- (ii) Consideration of African Candidatures for posts in the international system;
- (iii) Other business.

IV. DISCUSSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

4. The representative of the Commission apprised the Committee of the status of implementation of Decision EX.CL/Dec.453(XIII) of Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt, and made a brief presentation on new candidatures within the international system, to be submitted for consideration by the Ministerial Committee to enable it forward appropriate recommendations to the Executive Council.

5. The Committee decided to support the candidatures of Cameroon, Mauritius, Nigeria and Senegal for reelection, and the candidature of Kenya for election, as members of the United Nations Human Rights Council.

6. The Committee decided to defer consideration of the candidature of Togo for a non-permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council. And it reiterated its decision of Sharm El Sheikh to consider, at the next session of July 2009, the candidature of Nigeria, and in July 2010, that of Sierra Leone.

7. Moreover, the Committee has also decided to support the candidature of Doctor Kandeh Yunkella of Sierra Leon for reelection to the post of Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO),

and that of Cameroon as member of the UNIDO Industrial Development Council and the Programme and Budget Committee.

8. In addition, the Committee endorsed the candidature of Ambassador Papa Louis Fall of Senegal for reelection as member of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit (JIU).

9. The Committee also supported the candidature of Kenya for the Board of Governors of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

10. On the other hand, the Committee decided to postpone to its next session consideration of the candidature of Cameroon for the post of member of the Board of Governors of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

11. The Ministerial Committee did not reach a consensus to break the tie between the candidatures of Dr Kanayo F. Nwanze of Nigeria and Dr. Amadou Boucar Cissé of Niger, for the post of President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), and recommends that the issue be considered by the Executive Council.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

12. The Committee reiterated its support for the candidature of Ambassador Abdul Samad Minty of South Africa for the post of Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

13. The Committee was also informed and took note of the Algiers Declaration adopted by the Conference of African Ministers of Culture, held in Algiers, Algeria, from 19 to 23 October 2008.

14. Lastly, the Committee was informed by the Commission of the election of Honourable Theo Ben Gurirab, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Namibia, to the post of President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

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