DECISION ON THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF TEN HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT ON THE REFORMS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL Doc. Assembly/AU/6(XVII)

The Assembly,

- 1. TAKES NOTE of the Ninth Report of the Committee of Ten Heads of State and Government on the Reform of the United Nations (UN) Security Council;
- 2. ALSO TAKES NOTE of the recent developments in the intergovernmental negotiations and with APPRECIATION of the efforts of the African Permanent Representatives to the UN, in promoting and defending the continent's interests in the UN Security Council reform process;
- 3. WELCOMES the growing support of Member states in the intergovernmental negotiations on the UN Security Council reform and for recognizing the compelling need to correct, first of all, the historical injustice done to the continent, which continues to be unrepresented in the permanent category and under-represented in the non-permanent category of the UN Security Council;
- 4. ALSO WELCOMES the growing recognition by Member states of the need in the on-going intergovernmental negotiations on UN Security Council reform, to treat Africa as a Special case;
- 5. FURTHER WELCOMES the growing support the African common position continues to receive from Member States in the intergovernmental negotiations;
- 6. UNDERSCORES the need for Africa to continue to speak with one voice and cohesively on all issues, whether of substance or procedure or both related to the UN Security Council reform, in order to build on the gains so far Africa has achieved in the on-going intergovernmental negotiations and ensure that the interests of Africa continue to be maintained and safeguarded at all times;
- 7. REAFFIRMS the Ezulwini Consensus and Sirte Declaration on the Reform of the UN Security Council containing the African common position;
- 8. REQUESTS the African Permanent Representatives of the Committee of Ten in participating in the on-going intergovernmental negotiations on the UN Security Council reform to work closely with other African Permanent Representatives to the UN and the African Permanent Representatives to the AU, and to continue to dialogue with and engage other Member States and interest groups in the reform process, with a view to building more alliances in support of the African common position;

- 9. ALSO REQUESTS the Committee of Ten to continue to intensify its efforts in advocating, canvassing and promoting the African common position as well as endeavouring to reach out at the highest political levels for the purpose of garnering more support for the African common position and of galvanising the required political will to keep the reform process moving forward;
- 10. FURTHER REQUESTS the Commission to continue to facilitate the activities of the African Permanent Representatives of the Committee of Ten to the UN in the intergovernmental negotiations on UN Security Council reform and related consultations thereon;
- 11. CALLS ON the Committee of Ten to remain seized of this matter until Africa achieves its objectives on the reform of the UN Security Council, and to report to the Assembly on progress made at the next Ordinary Session of the Assembly in January 2012 and on any further guidance deemed necessary in furtherance of its mandate.



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