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The Peace and Security Council of the African Union (AU), at its 281st meeting held on 6 June 2011, in Addis Ababa, received a briefing from the Commissioner for Peace and Security on the latest developments in the situation in Libya, in the light of the decision adopted by the Extraordinary Session of the Assembly of the Union, held in Addis Ababa, on 25 May 2011, as well as on the initiatives taken in follow up on this decision.

Council took note of the arrangements being made towards the holding, in mid-June, of a meeting of the Security Council of the United Nations on Libya, at which will participate a ministerial delegation of the AU High Level Ad-hoc Committee on Libya. Council underlined the importance of that meeting which will allow for providing information on the efforts deployed by the AU within the framework of the AU Road-map and to express the preoccupations of the continent, as contained in the decision of the Extraordinary Summit of 25 May 2011.

Council also underscored the need for sustained efforts towards the implementation of all the aspects of the AU Roadmap.

Council commended the holding, in Cairo, on 30 May 2011, of a meeting regrouping the representatives of the AU, the United Nations, the League of Arab States, the Organisation of Islamic Conference and the European Union. In this regard, Council awaits with interest the conclusions of a meeting of the Chief Executives of these organizations scheduled during this month.

Council agreed to further consider the situation in Libya, in light of the efforts deployed.

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