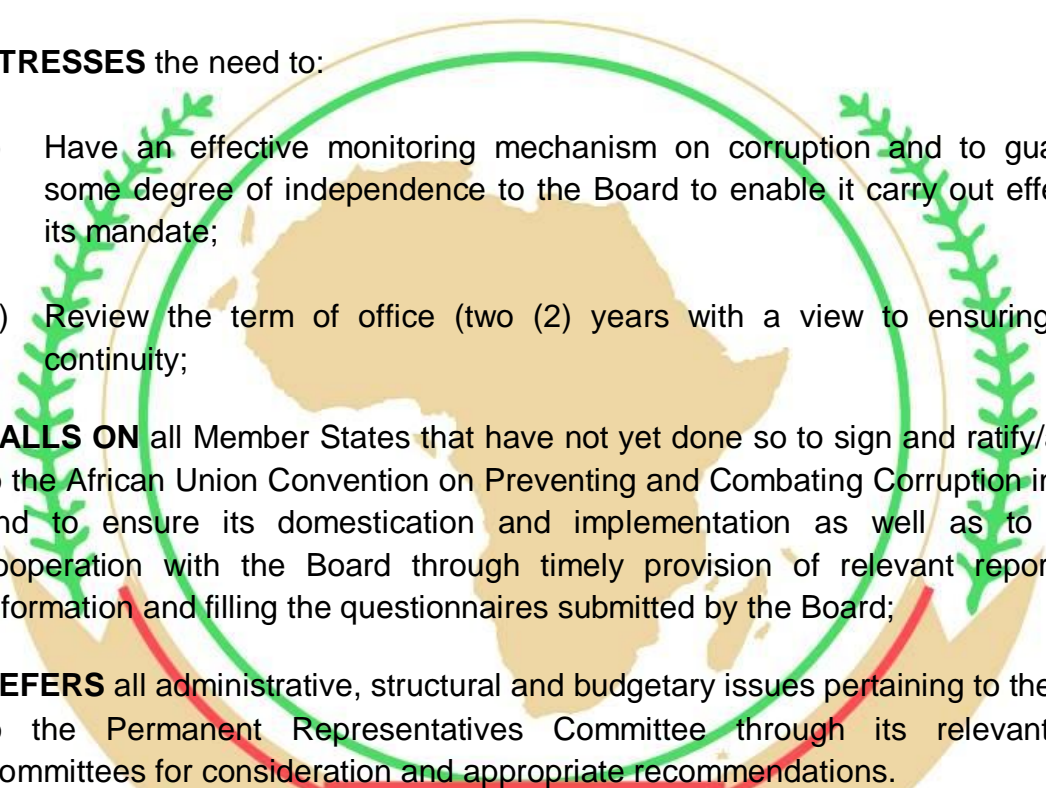


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1. **TAKES NOTE** the Report of the Board on Corruption within the African Union;
 2. **ALSO TAKES NOTE** with appreciation of the Report and recommendations made by the PRC thereon;
 3. **UNDERScores** the importance of the mandate of the Board;
 4. **STRESSES** the need to:
 - i) Have an effective monitoring mechanism on corruption and to guarantee some degree of independence to the Board to enable it carry out effectively its mandate;
 - ii) Review the term of office (two (2) years with a view to ensuring some continuity;
 5. **CALLS ON** all Member States that have not yet done so to sign and ratify/accede to the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption in Africa and to ensure its domestication and implementation as well as to render cooperation with the Board through timely provision of relevant reports and information and filling the questionnaires submitted by the Board;
 6. **REFERS** all administrative, structural and budgetary issues pertaining to the Board to the Permanent Representatives Committee through its relevant Sub-Committees for consideration and appropriate recommendations.
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