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The Executive Council,

- **1. TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Permanent Representatives' Committee (PRC) on the Activity Report of its Sub-Committee on Multilateral Cooperation relating to Africa's Strategic Partnerships;
- **2. EXPRESSES APPRECIATION** to China for accepting the Commission as a full member of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC);
- 3. REQUESTS the PRC, through its Sub-Committee on Multilateral Cooperation, and the Commission to look at ways and means of bringing dynamism to the FOCAC process, and to put emphasis on the multilateral aspect of FOCAC;
- 4. ALSO REQUESTS the Commission in collaboration with Member States, the African Diplomatic Missions in China and the Chinese authorities to maintain regular consultations in the process of elaboration of all the documents for the Fifth Ministerial Conference and URGES all Member States to participate actively in the Fifth Ministerial Conference of FOCAC scheduled in China in mid-July 2012;
- URGES the African resident Ambassadors in China and the relevant African Union organs to work in tandem, and bring the necessary synergy to the FOCAC process to facilitate information flow and the achievement of the partnership at the continental level;
- 6. ALSO URGES Member States to enlighten and instruct their missions in the countries where the AU has partnership arrangements about their role and to respect the relevant decisions of the Assembly;
- 7. **REQUESTS** the Commission to report on regular basis on the implementation of this Decision through the PRC.



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