



**PROGRAMME OF EVENTS DURING  
THE PERIOD OF THE JANUARY 2016  
ASSEMBLY OF THE UNION  
ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA**

**As at 22 January 2016**

**AU STATUTORY MEETINGS AND PARALLEL EVENTS**

**From 18 to 31 January 2016**

- |           |   |   |
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| <b>A.</b> | <b>9<sup>TH</sup> AU GENDER PRE-SUMMIT MEETING</b>  | <b>: 18-20 January 2016</b><br><i>Nelson Mandela Hall</i>   |
| <b>B.</b> | <b>THIRTY FIRST (31<sup>ST</sup>) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE (PRC)</b> | <b>: 21-23 January 2016</b><br><i>Medium Conf. Hall (NCC)</i><br><br><i><u>N.B.</u> the preparatory meetings will be held from 13 to 23 Jan.2016</i>  |
| <b>C.</b> | <b>4<sup>TH</sup> AFRICAN RISK CAPACITY (ARC) CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES</b>                             | <b>: 22-23 January 2016</b><br><i>Plenary Hall &amp; CR2 (OCC)</i>  |
| <b>D.</b> | <b>MINISTERIAL RETREAT</b>  | <b>: 24-26 January 2016</b><br><i>Mekelle</i>   |
| <b>E.</b> | <b>53<sup>RD</sup> NEPAD STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING</b>   | <b>: 26 January 2016</b><br><i>Small Conf. Hall 1 (NCC)</i>   |
| <b>F.</b> | <b>MEETINGS OF THE AFRICAN PEER REVIEW MECHANISM (APRM)</b>   | <b>: 26-29 January 2016</b><br><br><i>[APRM Summit on 29 Jan. 2016 from 15.00 to 17.00 hrs.]</i><br><i>- 26-27 Jan. 2016 – CR2 (OCC)</i><br><i>- 28 Jan. 2016 – Plenary Hall (OCC)</i><br><i>- 29 Jan. 2016 – Medium Conf. Hall (NCC)</i> |
| <b>G.</b> | <b>MEETINGS OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN FIRST LADIES AGAINST HIV/AIDS (OAFLA)</b>                    | <b>: 26-31 January 2016</b><br><i>[Gen. Assembly on 30 January 2016 from 15.00 to 19.00 hrs.]</i>   |



- 26-29 Jan. 2016 – CR1 (OCC)
- 30 and 31 Jan. 2016 – Plenary Hall
  
- H. INTERGENERATIONAL DIALOGUE : 27-28 January 2016  
Medium Conf. Hall (NCC)
  
- I. MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION : 27 January 2016  
08.30 – 09.45hrs  
Small Conf. Hall 3 (NCC)
  
- J. MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHALLENGES OF RATIFICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF OAU/AU TREATIES : 27 January 2016  
08.30 – 09.45hrs  
Small Conf. Hall 4 (NCC)
  
- K. TWENTY EIGHTH (28<sup>TH</sup>) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL : 27-28 January 2016  
Nelson Mandela Conf. Hall (NCC)
  
- L. LUNCH OFFERED BY H.E. DR. NKOSAZANA DLAMINI-ZUMA, CHAIRPERSON OF THE AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION : 27 January 2016  
13.00 – 15.00 hrs.  
Africa House
  
- M. MEETING OF THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON AFRICAN CANDIDATURES IN THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM : 27 January 2016  
14.00 – 16.00 hrs.  
Small Conf. Hall 2 (NCC)
  
- N. MEETING OF THE AD-HOC MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON THE SCALE OF ASSESSMENT : 27 January 2016  
16.00 – 17.30 hrs.  
Small Conf. Hall 3 (NCC)
  
- O. RECEPTION HOSTED BY H.E. DR. TEDROS ADHANOM, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA : 27 January 2016  
19.00 – 21.00 hrs.  
Sheraton Hotel
  
- P. MEETINGS OF THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE : 27-28 January 2016  
17.00 to 19.00 hrs  
Small Conf. Hall 1 (NCC)
  
- Q. LAUNCH OF THE AFRICAN UNION ACADEMY PROJECT (LUNCHEON) : 28 January 2016  
13.00-14.30 hrs  
Multi-Purpose Hall (NCC)
  
- R. MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONTACT GROUP : 28 January 2016



- ON LIBYA **19.00 hrs (TBC)**  
*Small Conf. Hall 4 (NCC)*
- S.** 34<sup>TH</sup> NEPAD HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT : **29 January 2016**  
ORIENTATION COMMITTEE (HSGOC) **10:00 – 12:00 hrs.**  
*Medium Conf. Hall (NCC)*
- T.** MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF TEN (C10) ON THE : **29 January 2016**  
UNITED NATIONS REFORMS **12:00 – 13:00 hrs.**  
*Small Conf. Hall 2 (NCC)*
- U.** MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF AFRICAN HEADS : **29 January 2016**  
OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT ON CLIMATE CHANGE **16:00 – 18:00 hrs.**  
(CAHOSCC) *Tbd*
- V.** MEETING OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL : **29 January 2016**  
(PSC) AT THE LEVEL OF THE HEADS OF STATE AND **18:00 – 21:00 hrs.**  
GOVERNMENT *Plenary Hall (OCC)*
- W.** EASTERN AFRICA STANDBY FORCE (EASF) SUMMIT : **30 January 2016**  
**08.00 – 09.00 hrs.**  
*tbd*
- X.** TWENTY SIXTH (26<sup>TH</sup>) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE : **30-31 January 2016**  
ASSEMBLY OF THE UNION *Nelson Mandela Conf. Hall*  
(NCC)
- Y.** ALMA LUNCHEON : **30 January 2016**  
(Hosted by the Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic **13.00 – 15.00 hrs.**  
Republic of Ethiopia) *Multi-Purpose Hall (NCC)*
- Z.** LAUNCH OF THE N'GOR DECLARATION ON WATER : **30 January 2016**  
SECURITY AND SANITATION **13.00 – 15.00hrs**  
(By the President of the Republic of Senegal) *Small Conference 1*
- AA.** DINNER HOSTED BY H.E. ATO HAILEMARIAM : **30 January 2016**  
DESALEGN, PRIME MINISTER OF THE FEDERAL **19.30 – 21.00 hrs**  
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA *Sheraton Hotel*
- BB.** HONOURING THE EBOLA EFFORTS LUNCHEON : **31 January 2016**  
(Hosted by the Chairperson of the African Union **13:00 – 15:00 hrs**  
Commission and the Commissioner for Social Affairs and *Multi-Purpose Hall (NCC)*  
DSA Team)



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**(A)**

**9<sup>TH</sup> AU GENDER PRE-SUMMIT MEETING  
18-20 January 2016**

**Venue: Nelson Mandela Hall**

**18-20 January 2016**

09:00 – 17:30 hrs. : 9<sup>th</sup> AU Gender Pre-Summit Meeting

***N.B. Programme to be circulated by the WGDD, Break Out Sessions will be held in Small Conference Hall 1, 2 & 3***



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(B)

**THIRTY FIRST (31<sup>ST</sup>) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE  
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES' COMMITTEE (PRC)  
21-23 January 2016**

**Venue: Medium Conference Hall (NCC)**

**21 January 2016**

- |                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| 10.00 – 10:30 hrs. | : <b>Opening Ceremony</b>   |
|                    | - Opening remarks by the Chairperson of the Permanent representatives Committee (PRC) |
|                    | - Welcome remarks by the Chairperson of the Commission                                |
|                    | - Group Photo for Ambassadors, PRC Members together with Members of the Commission    |
| 10:30 – 13:00 hrs. | : Closed Session  |
| 13:30 – 15:00 hrs. | : Lunch break   |
| 15:00 – 19:00 hrs. | : Closed Session  |

**22 January 2016**

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| 09:00 – 13:00 hrs. | : Closed Session |
| 13:00 – 15:00 hrs. | : Break          |
| 15:00 – 19:00 hrs. | : Closed Session |

**23 January 2016**

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| 17:30 -19:00 hrs.  | : Adoption of the Report of the PRC |
| 19:00 – 19:15 hrs. | : <b>Closing</b>                    |



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**(C)**

**4<sup>TH</sup> AFRICAN RISK CAPACITY (ARC) CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES**  
**22-23 January 2016**

**Venue: CR1 and CR2 (OCC)**

**22-23 January 2016**

08:00–18:30 hrs. : 4<sup>th</sup> ARC Conference of the Parties

***N.B. Programme to be circulated by the ARC***



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(D)

**MINISTERIAL RETREAT  
24-26 January 2016**

**Venue: Mekelle**

**SUNDAY, 24 JANUARY 2016**

**Flights Addis-Mekelle and Check in at hotels**

13:00 hrs.

**Lunch**

15:00-16:00 hrs.

**OFFICIAL OPENING SESSION**

***Chairperson of the Retreat --***

***Chair of the Executive Council and Foreign Affairs Minister of Zimbabwe***

- Welcome – Mekelle Local Authorities  
- Foreign Affairs Minister of Ethiopia
- Remarks by the AU Commission Chairperson
- Remarks by Chairperson of the Executive Council
- Adoption of Retreat Programme

16:30 hrs.

**SESSION 2. AGENDA 2063**

***Facilitator: Foreign Affairs Minister of Ghana***

***Presenter: Foreign Affairs Minister of Namibia***

- Update on Agenda 2063: Ten year plan, domestication and flagship projects, Accountability Framework
- Discussions

19:00 hrs.

**Dinner**

**MONDAY, 25 JANUARY 2016**

08:30-10:30 hrs.

**SESSION 3. CAPACITIES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AGENDA 2063**

***Facilitator: Foreign Affairs Minister of Egypt***

***Presenter: Foreign Affairs Minister of Ethiopia***

- Capacities for the Implementation of Agenda 2063, and Allocation of implementation responsibilities amongst Member states, RECs, NPCA, AUC and other continental institutions



- AU Commission Restructuring Project
- 10:30 -11:00 hrs.      **Tea Break**
- 11:00-12:00 hrs.      **SESSION 4: FREE MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE**  
*Facilitator: Dr. Carlos Lopes, UNECA Executive Secretary*  
*Presenter: Foreign Affairs Minister of Senegal*
  - Brief and Recommendations on Free movement of people
  - Discussions
- 12:00-13:30 hrs.      **SESSION 5: AFRICAN TOURISM AND WILD LIFE CONSERVATION**  
*Facilitator: Foreign Affairs Minister of Mauritius*  
*Presenter: on African Tourism - Minister of Tourism of Zimbabwe*  
*Presenter: on Wildlife conservation - Minister of Wildlife of the Republic of Congo*
  - State of the African Tourism sector - representative from African Tourism Ministers Bureau
  - Wildlife preservation: opportunities and challenges – UNEP Executive Secretary
- 13:30 hrs.              Lunch
- 15:00-17:00 hrs.      **SESSION 6: COMPARATIVE STUDY ON AU WORKING METHODS AND STREAMLINING BUSINESS OF SUMMITS**  
*Facilitator: Foreign Affairs Minister of Kenya*  
*Presenter: Secretary General of COMESA – Dr Sindiso Ngwenya*  
*Presenter: Foreign Affairs Minister of Chad*
  - Presentation of Comparative study
  - Implementation of Decision 582 on Streamlining
- 17:00-17:30 hrs.      **SESSION 7: Review of membership of the Bahir Dar Ministerial Follow-up Committee on Agenda 2063\***  
*Facilitator: Foreign Affairs Minister of Mali*  
*Presenter: Chairperson of the Executive Council and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Zimbabwe*
- 19:00 hrs.              **Dinner**

\* The Bahir Dar Ministerial Retreat of the Executive Council (24-26 Jan 2014) Recommendations, adopted by the Executive Council (27-28 January 2014) established the Ministerial Follow-up Committee consisting of Algeria, Angola, Cameroon, Ghana, and Rwanda; the Chairpersons and Executive Secretaries of RECs, the AUC Chairperson, UNECA ES, AfDB President, the NPCA CEO. The Committee has a two-year mandate, to be “reviewed to allow for rotation and regional balance.”





**TUESDAY, 26 JANUARY 2016**

09:00-10:00 hrs.

**SESSION 8: Presentation and adoption of the Mek'ele Ministerial Retreat draft Outcomes document**

***Facilitator: Minister of Foreign Affairs of South Africa***

***Presenter: Minister of Foreign Affairs of Nigeria (supported by the Drafting Committee)***

**Closing Remarks – African Union Commission Chairperson**

**Closing Remarks – Executive Council Chairperson, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Zimbabwe**



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**(E)**

**53<sup>RD</sup> NEPAD STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**26 January 2016**

**Venue: Small Conference Hall 1 (NCC)**

**26 January 2016**

**53<sup>rd</sup> NEPAD Steering Committee Meeting**



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**(F)**

**MEETINGS OF THE AFRICAN PEER REVIEW MECHANISM (APRM)  
26 - 29 January 2016**

**Venue: Committee Room 2 (OCC) — 26-27 January 2016  
Plenary Hall (OCC) — 28 January 2016  
Medium Conf. Hall (NCC) — 29 January 2016**

- **26 - 27 January 2016**  
09:00 – 18:00 hrs. : 75<sup>th</sup> Meeting of APRM Panel of Eminent Persons
- **27 January 2016**  
09:00 – 13:00 hrs. : 75<sup>th</sup> Meeting of APRM Panel of Eminent Persons  
14:00 – 17:00 hrs. : Meeting of APRM Strategic Partners  
: Meeting of the APRM Ad Hoc Group on Recruitment
- **28 January 2016**  
09:00 – 13:00 hrs. : Meeting of the Committee of APRM Focal Points  
14:00 – 18:00 hrs. : Pre-Summit Meeting of the APR Panel and Focal Points
- **29 January 2016**  
15:00 – 17:00 hrs. : 24<sup>th</sup> Summit of the Heads of State Participating in the APRM (APR Forum)

**N.B. Final programme to be provided by APRM Secretariat**

**The Member States of the APRM are:**

1. Algeria
2. Angola
3. Benin
4. Burkina Faso
5. Cameroon
6. Cape Verde
7. Chad
8. Cote d'Ivoire
9. Democratic Republic of Congo
10. Republic of Congo
11. Djibouti



12. Egypt
13. Ethiopia
14. Equatorial Guinea
15. Gabon
16. Ghana
17. Kenya
18. Lesotho
19. Liberia
20. Malawi
21. Mali
22. Mauritius
23. Mauritania
24. Mozambique
25. Niger
26. Nigeria
27. Rwanda
28. Sao Tome & Principe
29. Senegal
30. Sierra Leone
31. South Africa
32. Sudan
33. Tanzania
34. Togo
35. Tunisia
36. Uganda
37. Zambia



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**(G)**

**MEETINGS OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN  
FIRST LADIES AGAINST HIV/AIDS (OAFLA)  
26 – 31 January 2016**

**Venue: Committee Room 1 (OCC) - 26-29 January 2016 and  
Plenary Hall (OCC) – 30-31 January 2016**

**26 January 2016**

08.00 – 18.00 hrs. : Technical Advisers (TA) Training

**27-28 January 2016**

08.00 – 18.00 hrs. : Technical Advisers (TA) Meeting

**29 January 2016**

16.00 - 18.00 hrs. : Steering Committee (SC) Meeting

**30 January 2016**

14.00 – 17.00 hrs. : General Assembly (GA) – Closed Session

**31 January 2016**

08.00 – 12.30 hrs : General Assembly (GA) – Open Session

12.30 – 14.00 hrs : First Ladies Working Lunch



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**(H)**

**INTERGENERATIONAL DIALOGUE  
27-28 January 2016**

**Venue: MEDIUM CONFERENCE HALL , NCC**

**27 - 28 January 2016**

-----hrs. : Intergenerational Dialogue



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**(I)**

**MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON THE ELECTION OF  
MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION**

**27 January 2016**

**Venue: Small Conference Hall 3**

**27 January 2016**

08.30 -09.45 hrs.

Ministerial Committee on the Election of Members  
of the Commission



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**(J)**

**MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHALLENGES OF RATIFICATION AND  
IMPLEMENTATION OF OAU/AU TREATIES**

**Venue: Small Conference Hall 4**

**27 January 2016**

08.30 -09.45hrs.

Ministerial Committee on the Challenges of  
Ratification and Implementation of OAU/AU  
Treaties





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(K)

**TWENTY EIGHTH (28<sup>TH</sup>) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**  
**27-28 January 2016**

**Venue: Nelson Mandela Plenary Hall (NCC)**

• **27 January 2016**

10.00 – 10.30 hrs. : **Opening Ceremony**

- Welcome Remarks by the Chairperson of the Executive Council
- Statement by the Chairperson of the AU Commission
- Statement by the UN Under Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the UNECA
- Opening statement by the Chairperson of the Executive Council
- Group Photo for Ministers, together with Members of the Commission

10.30- 10.40 hrs. Adoption of the Agenda and Organization of Work

10.40- 13.00 hrs. Working Session

13.00- 15.00 hrs. Lunch offered by H.E. Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, Chairperson of the African Union Commission (***Africa House***)

15.00- 19.00 hrs. Working Session

19.30- 21.30 hrs. Reception by H.E. Dr. Tedros Adhanom, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia (***Sheraton Addis***)



- **28 January 2016**

09.00- 13.00 hrs. Working Session

13.00 hrs. Lunch Break

15.00 – 19.00 hrs. Working Session and end of discussions

- **29 January 2016**

17.00- 19.00 hrs. Adoption of the Decisions and Declarations of the Executive Council and consideration of the Draft Decisions and Declarations of the Assembly (***Nelson Mandela Plenary Hall, NCC***)



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(L)

**LUNCH OFFERED BY H.E. DR. NKOSAZANA DLAMINI-ZUMA**  
**CHAIRPERSON OF THE AFRICAN UNION COMMISSION**  
**27 January 2016**

**Venue: Africa House**

**27 January 2016**

13.00-15.00 hrs.

Lunch offered by H.E. Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma, Chairperson of the African Union Commission



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(M)

**MEETING OF THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON AFRICAN CANDIDATURES IN  
THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM**  
**27 January 2016**

**Venue: Small Conference Hall 2 (NCC)**

**27 January 2016**

14.00 – 16.00 hrs. : Meeting of the Ministerial Committee on African  
Candidatures in the International System

The members of the Committee for 2015-2016 are:

1. Bureau:

- Angola (Chairperson)
- Sierra Leone (1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairperson)
- Egypt (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairperson)
- Central (3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Chairperson)
- Eritrea (Rapporteur)

2. Membership:

- Central: Burundi, Cameroon and Chad;
- East: Eritrea, Rwanda and Tanzania;
- North: S.A.D.R. and Egypt;
- South: Angola, Botswana and Lesotho;
- West: Benin, The Gambia, Senegal and Sierra Leone.



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**(N)**

**MEETING OF THE AD-HOC MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE  
ON THE SCALE OF ASSESSMENT  
27 January 2016**

**Venue: Small Conference Hall 3 (NCC)**

**27 January 2016**

16.00 – 17.30 hrs. : Meeting of the Ad-Hoc Ministerial Committee on the  
Scale of Assessment



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(O)

**RECEPTION HOSTED BY H.E. DR. TEDROS ADHANOM, MINISTER OF FOREIGN  
AFFAIRS OF THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA**  
**27 January 2016**

**Venue: Sheraton Hotel**

**27 January 2016**

19.00 – 21.00 hrs : Reception



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**(P)**

**MEETINGS OF THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE**  
**27 – 28 January 2016**

**Venue: Small Conference Hall 1 (NCC)**

**27 January 2016**

17.00 - 19.00 hrs. : Consideration of Draft Decisions and Declarations

**28 January 2016**

09.00 - 13.00 hrs. : Consideration of Draft Decisions and Declarations and end

**The Members of the Drafting Committee are:**

Chair:	Mauritania as Rapporteur of the Bureau of the Assembly for 2015
West:	Ghana, Niger, Nigeria, Togo
East:	Eritrea, South Sudan, Uganda
North:	Algeria, Egypt
Central:	Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea
South:	Botswana, South Africa, Swaziland



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**(Q)**

**LAUNCH OF THE AFRICAN UNION ACADEMY PROJECT (LUNCHEON)**  
**28 January 2016**

**Venue: Multi-Purpose Hall (NCC)**

**28 January 2016**

13.00 - 14.30 hrs : Launch of the African Union Academy Project (Luncheon)





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**(R)**

**MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONTACT GROUP ON LIBYA  
28 January 2016**

**Venue: Small Conference Hall 4 (NCC)**

**28 January 2016**

19.00 hrs (TBC) : Meeting of the International Contact Group on Libya



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**(S)**

**34<sup>TH</sup> NEPAD HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT  
ORIENTATION COMMITTEE (HSGOC)  
29 January 2016**

**Venue: Medium Conference Hall (NCC)**

**29 January 2016**

10:00 – 12:00 hrs. : 34<sup>th</sup> NEPAD Heads of State and Government  
Orientation Committee (HSGOC).

***N.B. Programme to be circulated by the NPCA, in collaboration with the AUC NEPAD  
Coordinating Unit.***

The Members of NEPAD HSGOC are:

<b>Central Africa</b>	<b>East Africa</b>	<b>North Africa</b>	<b>Southern Africa</b>	<b>West Africa</b>
Cameroon	Ethiopia	Algeria	South Africa	Nigeria
Gabon	Rwanda	Egypt	Malawi	Senegal
Congo (Republic)	Tanzania	Libya	Zambia	Benin
Chad	Uganda	Mauritania*	Zimbabwe	Mali



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**(T)**

**MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF TEN (C10) ON THE  
UNITED NATIONS REFORMS  
29 January 2016**

**Venue: Small Conference Hall 2 (NCC)**

**29 January 2016**

12:00 – 13:00 hrs. : Meeting of the C10 on the UN Reforms

The members of the Committee are:

- |                |                         |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| <b>South</b>   | 1. Namibia              |
|                | 2. Zambia               |
| <b>East</b>    | 3. Uganda               |
|                | 4. Kenya                |
| <b>West</b>    | 5. Sierra Leone (Chair) |
|                | 6. Senegal              |
| <b>North</b>   | 7. Algeria              |
|                | 8. Libya                |
| <b>Central</b> | 9. Congo                |
|                | 10. Equatorial Guinea   |



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SOUTH AFRICA**

(U)

**COMMITTEE OF AFRICAN HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT  
ON CLIMATE CHANGE (CAHOSCC)**

**29 January 2016**

**Venue: tbd**

**29 January 2016**

16.00 – 18.00 hrs. : Committee of African Heads of State and Government on  
Climate Change

**The members of the Committee are:**

1. Algeria
2. Republic of Congo
3. Ethiopia
4. Kenya
5. Mauritius
6. Mozambique
7. Nigeria
8. South Africa
9. Uganda
10. Egypt (Coordinator, Chairperson of AMCEN)
11. Zimbabwe (Chairperson of the African Union)
12. Mali (Chairperson of the African Group of Negotiators on Climate Change (AGN))
13. Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union



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(V)

**MEETING OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL (PSC) AT THE LEVEL OF THE  
HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT  
29 January 2016**

**Venue: Plenary Hall (OCC)**

**29 January 2016**

18:00 – 21:00 hrs. : Meeting of the PSC at the level of the Heads of State and Government

The members of the PSC are:

1. Algeria
2. Burundi
3. Chad
4. Equatorial Guinea
5. Ethiopia
6. Gambia
7. Guinea
8. Libya
9. Mozambique
10. Namibia
11. Niger
12. Nigeria
13. South Africa
14. Tanzania
15. Uganda



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**(W)**

**EASTERN AFRICA STANDBY FORCE (EASF) SUMMIT**  
**30 January 2016**

**Venue: TBD**

**30 January 2016**

08:00 – 09:00 hrs. : EASF Summit



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(X)

**TWENTY SIXTH (26<sup>TH</sup>) ORDINARY SESSION OF THE  
ASSEMBLY OF THE UNION  
30 – 31 January 2016**

**Venue: Nelson Mandela Plenary Hall (NCC)**

**DAY ONE: Saturday 30 January 2016**

**09.00 – 11.30 hrs** **CLOSED SESSION** (*Medium Conference Hall – NCC*)

➤ **Heads of State and Government and Heads of Delegations  
plus one(1) Member of their Respective Delegations:**

- a) Consultations on the composition of the Bureau and Drafting Committee for 2016
- b) Adoption of the Draft Agenda
- c) Adoption of the Programme of Work

**CLOSED CLOSED SESSION**(*Medium Conference Hall – NCC*)

- d) Discussions on some strategic issues:
  - Financing of the Union
  - Governance

➤ **Group Photo**

**11.30 – 13.00 hrs** **OPEN SESSION**

- **OPENING CEREMONY** [(H.E. Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe and Chairman of the African Union, declares the beginning of the Session (*2 minutes*))]



- AU Anthem by the AUC Choir **(3 minutes)**
- Statement by H.E. Dr. Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union **(15 minutes)**
- Statement by H.E. Ban Ki Moon, Secretary General of the United Nations **(7 minutes)**
- Statement by H.E. Mr. Mahmoud Abbas, President of the State of Palestine and Chairman of Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Executive Committee **(7 minutes)**
- Opening Statement by H.E. Mr. Robert Mugabe, President of the Republic of Zimbabwe and outgoing Chairperson of the African Union **(10 minutes)**
- Election of the Chairperson of the African Union and other members of the Bureau and members of the Drafting Committee **(Announcement of the results of the elections by the Dean of the African Diplomatic Corps) (3 minutes)**
- Acceptance Statement by the incoming Chairperson of the African Union and Launch of the Theme “*African Year of Human Rights with a particular focus on Women Rights*” **(10 minutes)**
- Signing of AU Treaties<sup>2</sup>
- Award Ceremony of the African Union Kwame Nkrumah Scientific Awards
  - Prof. Tebello Nyokong , from South Africa, Winner in the field of Basic Science Technology and Innovation
  - Prof. Umezurika Opara, from Nigeria, Winner in the field of Life and Earth Science
- End of the official Opening Ceremony **(Invited Guests, Observers and members of the media are invited to leave the Hall)**

13.00 – 15.00 hrs

- ALMA LUNCHEON **(Multipurpose Hall)**
- LAUNCH OF THE N’GOR DECLARATION ON WATER SECURITY AND SANITATION **(Small Conference 1)**

15.00 – 19.30 hrs

CLOSED SESSION

# I. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS AND DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE COMMITTEES OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE UNION

<sup>2</sup> Arrangements will be made by the Commission throughout the Session for the signing of the AU Treaties by Heads of State and Government



**BY:**

- a) The Peace and Security Council on its activities and the State of Peace and Security in Africa

**19.30 – 21.00 hrs**

**DINNER HOSTED BY H.E. ATO HAILEMARIAM DESALEGN,  
PRIME MINISTER OF THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC  
OF ETHIOPIA (*Sheraton Hotel*)**

**DAY TWO: Sunday 31 January 2016****09.30 – 13.00 hrs. CLOSED SESSION**

- b) H.E. Mr. Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal and Chairperson of NEPAD Heads of State and Government Orientation Committee (HSGOC)<sup>3</sup>
- c) H.E. Dr. Ernest Bai Koroma, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone and Chairperson of the Committee of Ten on the United Nations Reforms<sup>4</sup>
- d) H.E. Mr. Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya and Chairperson of the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM)<sup>5</sup>
- e) H.E. Mrs. Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia and Chairperson of the High Level Committee on the Post-2015 Development Agenda
- f) H.E. Mr. Abdel Fattah El Sisi, President of the Arab Republic of Egypt and Coordinator of the Committee of African Heads of State and Government on Climate Change (CAHOSCC)
- g) H.E. Mr. Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda, on the Kigali Plan of Action for Implementing Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.516 (XXII) on the Implementation of Sharm

<sup>3</sup> Consideration should be deferred to the June/July 2016 session

<sup>4</sup> Consideration should be deferred to the June/July 2016 session

<sup>5</sup> Consideration should be deferred to the June/July 2016 session



El Sheikh Commitments on Accelerating Water and Sanitation Goals in Africa <sup>6</sup>

**13.00 – 15.00 hrs LUNCH**

**15.00 – 18.00 hrs CLOSED SESSION**

**II. ADOPTION OF THE DECISIONS OF THE 28<sup>TH</sup> ORDINARY SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE AFRICAN UNION**

**III. ADOPTION OF DECISIONS AND DECLARATIONS OF THE 26<sup>TH</sup> ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE AFRICAN UNION**

**IV. DATE AND VENUE OF THE 27<sup>TH</sup> ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE AFRICAN UNION**

**V. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**18.00 – 18.30 hrs OPEN SESSION**

**VI. CLOSING CEREMONY**

- Vote of Thanks by a Head of State (5 minutes)
- Closing Statement by the Chairperson of the Union (10 minutes)
- AU Anthem (5 minutes)

**VII. PRESS CONFERENCE BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE UNION AND THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION (*for the Media*)**

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30 January 2016**

**Venue: Multi-Purpose Hall**

**30 January 2016**

13.00 – 15.00 hrs : ALMA Luncheon



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**LAUNCH OF THE N’GOR DECLARATION ON WATER SECURITY AND SANITATION**  
**30 January 2016**

**Venue: Small Conference Hall 1**

**30 January 2016**

13.00 – 15.00 hrs : Launch of the N’Gor Declaration on Water Security and Sanitation

The Convenor of the Launch is:

1. Senegal

The Co-Convenors of the Launch are:

1. Algeria
2. Burkina Faso
3. Gabon
4. Rwanda
5. Sudan
6. Zimbabwe
7. African Union Commission (AUC)
8. African Ministers’ Council on Water (AMCOW)
9. African Development Bank (AfDB)



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**DINNER HOSTED BY H.E. ATO HAILEMARIAM DESALEGN, PRIME MINISTER OF  
THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA**

**30 January 2016**

**Venue: Sheraton Hotel**

**30 January 2016**

19.30 – 21.00 hrs. : Dinner



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**(BB)**

**HONOURING THE EBOLA EFFORTS LUNCHEON  
31 January 2016**

**Venue: Multi-Purpose Hall**

**31 January 2016**

13.00 – 15.00 hrs. : Honouring the Ebola Efforts Luncheon

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