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The Peace and Security Council (PSC) of the African Union (AU), at its twenty-
Second meeting, held on 5 January 2005, adopted the following decision on the
situation in Somalia:

Council,

1. Welcomes the establishment of the Transitional Federal Government
   of Somalia and takes note of its commitment to relocate to Somalia as soon
   as possible and recognizes the need to create the necessary conditions for
   such relocation;

2. Accepts in principle the deployment of an AU Peace Support Mission in
   Somalia, based on its previous decisions and the recommendations of the
   Nairobi Experts Meeting held on 15 – 16 December 2004 to support the
   Transitional Federal Institutions. In this regard, Council welcomes the offer
   by the Government of Uganda to contribute troops to the African Mission to
   be deployed in Somalia. Council requests the Commission to submit to it
   recommendations on the mandate, size, structure, tasks and funding
   requirements for such a Mission;

3. Approves, in the meantime, the establishment of an AU Advance
   Mission to be based in Nairobi that will ensure liaison with the Transitional
   Federal Government, IGAD and other parties and undertake all necessary
   preparatory steps for the deployment of an AU Peace Support Mission in
   Somalia as early as possible;

4. Calls upon the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia to effect
   appropriate arrangements and or such necessary legislative enactments,
   including security arrangements, in order to facilitate the deployment of an
   African Union Peace Support Mission in Somalia;

5. Requests AU Member States to extend full support to the Transitional
   Federal Government in its efforts to establish the Police Force and Army for
   Somalia and to make effective the functioning of the transitional institutions;

6. Requests the AU Member States, the IGAD Partners Forum, the
   European Union, the League of Arab States, the United Nations and the rest
   of the international community to provide the necessary support to ensure the
   effective implementation of disarmament, demobilization and reintegratio
   as well as post-conflict reconstruction in Somalia.
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