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**COMMUNIQUE OF THE 39TH MEETING OF THE PEACE
AND SECURITY COUNCIL**

The Peace and Security Council (PSC) of the African Union (AU), at its 39th meeting held on 30 September 2005, adopted the following decision on the 4th Brainstorming Retreat of the PSC and other Permanent Representatives to the AU, held in Durban, South Africa, on 4 and 5 September 2005, on the Development of a Framework on Post-Conflict Reconstruction and Development in Africa:

Council,

1. **Recalls** the decision of the AU Executive Council, meeting in Sirte, Libya, in July 2005 (Decision EX.CL/191(VII)), which mandated the development of an AU policy on post-conflict reconstruction based on the relevant provisions of the PSC Protocol and the experience gained thus far on the continent;
2. **Commends** the initiative of South Africa, as Chair of the PSC for the month of September 2005, and the Commission, facilitated by SaferAfrica, to convene the 4th Brainstorming Retreat, in Durban, South Africa, to discuss the development of a Framework for post-conflict reconstruction and development;
3. **Endorses** the report and outcomes of the Brainstorming as laying the foundation for the development of such a Framework;
4. **Welcomes** the initiative by the Commission to convene a meeting of Technical Experts, in early November, to be followed by a meeting of experts from Member States, in early December, with a view to enriching the draft Framework.
5. **Decides** to remain seized with and contribute in the process of elaborating a policy framework on post-conflict reconstruction and development and in all related activities of the AU.

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