

**DECISION OF THE TENTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE  
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ON THE BUDGET FOR 2007**

**The Executive Council:**

1. **APPROVES** the Budget of the African Union for the year 2007 amounting to US\$124,068,943 million:
  - A total amount of US\$ 87,791,943 million assessed to Member States on the basis of the approved Scale of Assessment;
  - US\$ 36,277,000 million earmarked for the programmes is secured from International Partners.
2. **WELCOMES** the decision of the Pan African Parliament (PAP) to abide by the Financial Rules and Regulations of the African Union to avail its financial statements to be audited by the Board of External Auditors appointed by the Executive Council;
3. **FURTHER ENCOURAGES** PAP to establish and strengthen an Internal Audit Department that will perform the internal audit functions without prejudice to the statutory role of the External Auditors of the Commission of the African Union;
4. **AUTHORIZES** PAP to provisionally utilize one-twelfth of its budget for the previous year until accounts are audited;
5. **DIRECTS** the PRC to expeditiously consider the proposed structures of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights so that a realistic budget for the Court is presented for consideration by the Executive Council. In the meantime, **APPROVES** the Courts' appropriations and increment for previous year;
6. **APPRECIATES** the efforts of the Commission in mobilizing resources from International Partners.

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