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REPORT OF THE ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ADVISORY SUB-
COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE, BUDGETARY AND FINANCIAL
MATTERS

Report of the Advisory Sub-Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial Matters held from 3-18 January 2007 at the AU Headquarters

1. The Advisory Sub-Committee on Administrative, Budgetary and Financial Matters met from 3-18 January 2007, in the Conference Hall to consider the Programme budget proposals for the year 2007

In attendance

2. The representatives of the following Member States attended:

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| 1. Algeria | 22. Libya |
| 2. Angola | 23. Malawi |
| 3. Benin | 24. Mali |
| 4. Botswana | 25. Mozambique |
| 5. Burkina Faso | 26. Mauritius |
| 6. Burundi | 27. Namibia |
| 7. Democratic Republic of
Congo | 28. Niger |
| 8. Republic of Congo | 29. Nigeria |
| 9. Cameroon | 30. Rwanda |
| 10. Cape Verde | 31. Senegal |
| 11. Chad | 32. Sierra Leone |
| 12. Cote d'voire | 33. Somalia |
| 13. Egypt | 34. Sudan |
| 14. Ethiopia | 35. South Africa |
| 15. Gambia | 36. Swaziland |
| 16. Gabon | 37. Togo |
| 17. Guinea | 38. Tanzania |
| 18. Kenya | 39. Tunisia |
| 19. Ghana | 40. Uganda |
| 20. Lesotho | 41. Zambia |
| 21. Liberia | 42. Zimbabwe |

Opening session of the Sub-Committee

3. The Chairperson of the Sub-Committee welcomed all members and reiterated that time was of essence hence all must work expeditiously so as to complete the work on schedule.

Organization of Work

4. The following working hours was adopted:

Morning: 10:00 am – 13:00
Afternoon: 14:00 pm—17:00.

Adoption of the Agenda

5. The Sub-Committee adopted the following Agenda.

- i
 - a) Opening Ceremony
 - b) Organization of Work
 - c) Adoption of the Agenda
- ii Consideration of the draft budget 2007
- iii Consideration of the Report on the Harmonization of the Remuneration Policy of the Commission
- v Consideration of the Report on the Review of the AU Social Security Scheme
- ix Any Other Business.

Consideration of the draft budget 2007

6. After exhaustive consideration of both the operating and programmes budget estimates presented by the Commission, the Sub-Committee made the following recommendations for the consideration of the Permanent Representative Council:

- The commission should endeavor to timely provide all necessary supporting documents and information, **especially with regard to programmes** when presenting budget proposals

- Budget estimates should take into account the capacity of Member States to pay as guided by the average growth rate of the continent
- The budget proposals presented by PAP could not be considered because the accounts of PAP had not been audited by AU Board of external auditors contrary to the earlier directive of the Executive Council
- The matter be referred to PRC and Council for appropriate guidance and decision
- In the meantime, PAP be authorized to provisionally utilize one-twelfth of its budget for the previous year as provided in article 39 of the Financial Rules and regulations
- The budget proposals presented by the African Court on Human and Peoples' Right is deferred until the court's structure is presented to the sub-committee on structures for consideration. In the meantime, it is authorized one twelfth of its previous budget.
- The appropriations for staff costs and other operating costs are increased by 5.5 % across the board except for election monitoring that should be increased by 50% and the amount of US \$753,728 for medical equipment that is approved in total. The increment is based on the assessed budget for 2006 excluding what was subsequently approved by Council in Khartoum and sourced from arrears.

7. In conformity with the above recommendations, the budget proposals for 2007 are as follows (details annexed):

	<u>Appropriation 2006</u>	<u>Proposal 2007</u>	<u>recommended</u>
Staff Costs	40,660,639	55,339, 072	42,896,973
Operating costs	12,067,011	24,536,529	13,906,724
Subventions/grants	5,516,761	8,126,373	5,820,183
Other organs	11,145,083	21,004,885	11,758,063

Total Operating Costs	<u>69,389,493</u>	<u>109,006,859</u>	<u>74,381,943</u>
Programmes	60,542,000	54,467,000	49,687,000
Total Program-Budget	<u>129,931,49</u>	<u>163,473,859</u>	<u>124,068,943</u>
Assessed to Member States	69,389,494	127,179,859	87,791,943
Secured From Partners	-	36,277,000	36,277,000

8. Agenda item iii and iv were deferred due to insufficient time. But, the commission was urged to consult and arrange appropriate dates immediately after the summit for the sub-committee to consider those important staff matters.

9. The distinguished delegations of Egypt and Algeria made their reservations to the adopted budget.

10. The sub-committee adopted its report with amendments.

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