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The Executive Council:

- 1. **EXPRESSES ITS GRAVE CONCERN** over the deterioration of the political climate characterized by the deadlock in the implementation of the Linas-Marcoussis Accord and in government activity as well as by persistent acts of violence;
- **2. CONDEMNS** the clashes which took place in the northern Region on 20 and 21 June 2004 and **DEPLORES** the loss of human lives;
- **3. URGES** the Ivorian parties to demonstrate political will and work for the total implementation of the Linas-Marcoussis Accord;
- 4. **APPEALS** to the Ivorian parties to pursue the dialogue and to create conditions conducive to the effective functioning of the government. In this regard, Council **UNDERSCORES THE URGENCY** in the realization of the programme for the disarmament, demobilisation and reintegration, adoption of all the texts of law provided for in the Linas-Marcoussis Accord and the deployment of the Administration throughout the national territory;
- **5. REAFFIRMS** the African Union's commitment to the unity and territorial integrity of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire;
- **6. HAILS** the on-going efforts by the Heads of State of ECOWAS and the other African Heads of State to find a peaceful solution in Côte d'Ivoire and **WELCOMES** the support of the AU Chairperson in these efforts;
- **7. URGES** ECOWAS to remain seized of the issue.

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