


**DECISION ON THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION FRAMEWORK
CONVENTION ON TOBACCO CONTROL
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The Executive Council,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Conference of the African Union Ministers of Agriculture held in Lilongwe, Malawi, on 28 and 29 October 2010 and the Report of the Conference of the African Union Ministers of Trade held in Kigali, Rwanda, on 1 and 2 November 2010, especially related to the World Health Organization (WHO) Framework Convention on Tobacco Control;
 2. **ENDORSES** the Declaration of the Ministers of Trade on the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control;
 3. **URGES** the African Ministers of Health, Trade and Agriculture to make concerted efforts to consult further on this sensitive question in order to develop coherent strategies aimed at defending the interests of African countries producers of Tobacco;
 4. **CALLS ON** both the WHO and the World Trade Organization (WTO) to work collectively towards ensuring that measures aimed at the control of tobacco for health reasons, which may hinder tobacco trade, are taken based on proven scientific evidence;
 5. **REQUESTS** the Commission to report regularly on the implementation of this Decision.
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