



**STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMISSION REGARDING THE  
VIOLENCE IN SOUTH AFRICA**

03 September 2019, Addis Abeba: The Chairperson of the African Union Commission Moussa Faki Mahamat condemns in the strongest terms, the incidents of violence against nationals of fellow African countries in South Africa, including the looting and destruction of their property.

The Chairperson is encouraged by arrests already made by the South African authorities.

He calls for further immediate steps to protect the lives of people and their property, ensure that all perpetrators are brought to account for their acts, and that justice be done to those who suffered economic and other losses.

The Chairperson reiterates the African Union's Commission continued commitment to support the South African government in addressing the root causes that led to these despicable acts, in order to promote peace and stability, within the framework of the African Union's longstanding principles of continental solidarity.

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