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**REPORT ON ELECTION OF TEN (10) MEMBERS OF THE PEACE
AND SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE AFRICAN UNION**

REPORT ON THE ELECTION OF TEN (5) MEMBERS OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE AFRICAN UNION FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM

1. The election of the Members of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union (PSC) is based on the provisions of the Constitutive Act of the African Union, the Protocol Relating to the Establishment of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union (the Protocol) and the Modalities for Election of Members of the Peace and Security Council adopted by the Policy Organs of the Union in March 2004 (the Modalities).

2. It should be recalled that by Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.106 (VI) adopted in Khartoum, the Sudan during the Sixth Ordinary Session of the Assembly in January 2006, the Assembly delegated its power to elect members of PSC, under Article 5(2) of the Protocol, to the Executive Council.

3. In conformity with the provisions of Article 5 (1) of the Protocol, the PSC is composed of fifteen (15) Members elected on the basis of equal rights, in the following manner:

- i) Ten (10) Members elected for a term of two (2) years; and
- ii) Five (5) Members elected for a term of three (3) years in order to ensure continuity.

4. *In accordance with the Modalities*, the regional representation of the fifteen (15) members in the PSC is as follows: **Central (3), East (3), North (2), South (3) and West (4)**.

5. The current elections relate to the elections of only ten Members for a two (2) year term. It should be recalled that the term of the following ten(10) Members elected in January 2018 for a two (2) year term, will expire in March 2020:

- a) **Central Region** : Equatorial Guinea and Gabon
- b) **Eastern Region**: Djibouti and Rwanda
- c) **Northern Region**: Morocco
- d) **Southern Region**: Angola and Zimbabwe
- e) **Western Region** : Liberia, Sierra Leone and Togo

6. In accordance with Article 5 (3) of the Protocol, a retiring Member of the PSC is eligible for immediate re-election.

7. In this regard, during these elections, in accordance with the prescribed composition the PSC, the following Members shall be elected:

- Central Region : two (2) Members
- Eastern Region : two (2) Members
- Northern Region : one (1) Member
- Southern Region : two (2) Members
- Western Region : three (3)Members

8. The criteria to be taken into account when electing members of the PSC is provided under Article 5 (2) of the PSC Protocol and it includes the following:

- i) commitment to uphold the principles of the Union;
- ii) contribution to the promotion and maintenance of peace and security in Africa – in this respect, experience in peace support operations would be an added advantage;
- iii) capacity and commitment to shoulder the responsibilities entailed in membership;
- iv) contribution to the Peace Fund and/or Special Fund created for specific purpose;
- v) respect for constitutional governance, in accordance with the Lomé Declaration, as well as the rule of law and human rights;
- vi) participation in conflict resolution, peace-making and peace building at regional and continental levels;
- vii) having sufficiently staffed and equipped Permanent Missions at the Headquarters of the Union and the United Nations, to be able to shoulder the responsibilities which go with the membership.

9. A table recapitulating the Membership of the PSC since March 2004 is herewith attached to this report.

10. It will be recalled that the Commission through its Note Verbale referenced BC/OLC/23.21B/2010.19 dated 24 July 2019, invited States Parties to the Protocol to submit candidates on or before the deadline on 30 November 2019. Further, the Commission, through Note Verbale reference number BC/OLC/42.23/2496.19 dated 19 November, 2019 reminded Member States of the election and the set deadline. Finally, the Commission through its Note Verbale reference number BC/OLC/23.21b/2597.19 dated 03 December, 2019 extended the deadline to 17 December, 2019, for the Eastern and Southern Regions.

11. The Commission would like to inform the Executive Council that the candidatures received from the States Parties to the Protocol are as follows:

<u>Central Region</u>	<u>Eastern Region</u>	<u>Northern Region</u>	<u>Southern Region</u>	<u>Western region</u>
1. Cameroon	1. Djibouti*	1. Egypt	1. Malawi	1. Benin
2. Chad	2. Ethiopia		2. Mozambique	2. Ghana
	3. Somalia			3. Liberia*
	4. Sudan			4. Senegal

* *Member State eligible for re-election*

**DRAFT DECISION ON THE ELECTION OF TEN (10) MEMBERS OF THE PEACE
AND SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE AFRICAN UNION**

The Executive Council,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Commission on the Election of Ten (10) Members of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union;
2. **ELECTS** the following members of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union for a term of **two (2) years**:

NO.	COUNTRY	REGION
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3. **RECOMMENDS** the elected members of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union to the Thirty Third Ordinary Session of the Assembly for appointment.

**DRAFT DECISION ON THE APPOINTMENT OF TEN (10) MEMBERS OF
THE PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE AFRICAN UNION**
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The Assembly,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Election of Ten (10) Members of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union by the Executive Council;
2. **APPOINTS** the following Ten (10) Members States of the Peace and Security Council for a term of two (2) years:

NO.	COUNTRY	REGION
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**Membership to the African Union Peace
and Security Council
(2004 – 2019)**

Year	Region	Two (2)-year term	Three(3)-year term
March 2004	Central	Cameroon Congo	Gabon
	Eastern	Kenya The Sudan	Ethiopia
	Northern	Libya	Algeria
	Southern	Lesotho Mozambique	South Africa
	Western	Ghana Senegal Togo	Nigeria
April 2006	Central	Cameroon Congo	
	Eastern	Rwanda Uganda	
	Northern	Egypt	
	Southern	Botswana Malawi	
	Western	Burkina Faso Ghana Senegal	
April 2007	Central		Gabon
	Eastern		Ethiopia
	Northern		Algeria
	Southern		South Africa
	Western		Nigeria
April 2008	Central	Burundi Chad	
	Eastern	Rwanda Uganda	
	Northern	Tunisia	
	Southern	Swaziland Zambia	
	Western	Benin Burkina Faso Mali	
April 2010	Central	Burundi Chad	Equatorial Guinea
	Eastern	Djibouti Rwanda	Kenya
	Northern	Mauritania	Libya
	Southern	Namibia South Africa	Zimbabwe

Year	Region	Two (2)-year term	Three(3)-year term
	Western	Benin Cote d'Ivoire Mali	Nigeria
April 2012	Central	Cameroon Congo	
	Eastern	Djibouti Tanzania	
	Northern	Egypt	
	Southern	Angola Lesotho	
	Western	Cote d'Ivoire Gambia Guinea	
April 2013	Central	Burundi Chad	Equatorial Guinea
	Eastern	Ethiopia Tanzania	Uganda
	Northern	Libya	Algeria
	Southern	Namibia South Africa	Mozambique
	Western	Gambia Guinea Niger	Nigeria
April 2016	Central	Burundi Chad	Congo (Rep.)
	Eastern	Rwanda Uganda	Kenya
	Northern	Algeria	Egypt
	Southern	Botswana South Africa	Zambia
	Western	Niger Sierra Leone Togo	Nigeria
April 2018	Central	Equatorial Guinea Gabon	
	Eastern	Djibouti Rwanda	
	Northern	Morocco	
	Southern	Angola Zimbabwe	

Year	Region	Two (2)-year term	Three(3)-year term
	Western	Liberia Sierra Leone Togo	
April 2019	Central		Burundi
	Eastern		Kenya
	Northern		Algeria
	Southern		Lesotho
	Western		Nigeria

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