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The Executive Council,

- 1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Chairperson of the Commission on the African Union Centre on Post-Conflict Reconstruction and Development (AUC-PCRD) submitted in pursuance of Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.351(XVI) in which Assembly welcomed the proposal made by the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt regarding the establishment of the AUC-PCRD, and requested the Commission, in collaboration with Egypt, to undertake a study on the objectives, structure, financial implication, and the location of the proposed Centre, and to report to the Assembly;
- 2. ALSO TAKES NOTE WITH APPRECIATION of the contribution by the Arab Republic of Egypt to the conduct of the study, including receiving the experts appointed by the Commission in this regard;
 - **ENDORSES** the recommendations of the Permanent Representatives' Committee (PRC) on the report; and **TAKES NOTE** of the observations and comments by Member States;
 - UNDERSCORES the imperative need to ensure complementarity of the missions envisaged for this Centre and those of the Commission;
 - **REQUESTS** the Commission to submit to the PRC, through its relevant Sub-Committees, for consideration, proposals on the modalities for the funding of the Centre, the structure and the financial implications;
 - **WELCOMES** favourably the offers by the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Republic of Uganda to host the Centre and their commitment to mobilise extra budgetary resources to fund the Centre; and recommends to the two Member States to undertake consultations with a view to finding an amicable solution on the location of the Center and to report to the Executive Council as soon as possible;
- 7. STRESSES the need to generally reflect on the issue of equitable distribution of institutions and structures of the African Union within the different regions of the continent;
- 8. **REQUESTS** the Commission to report on regular basis on the implementation of this Decision to the Executive Council.

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