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The Executive Council,

- 1. TAKES NOTE of the report including the recommendations of the mid-term evaluation of the Second Decade of Education for Africa, the report of the Pan African Conference on Teacher Development (PACTED), the Act of Establishment of the Pan African University (PAU) as well as the PAU Statutes;
- 2. ENDORSES the above recommendations and request all stakeholders, namely Member States, the AU Commission, the RECs as well as Partner Organizations to take the necessary measures towards their implementation;
- 3. REQUESTS the Commission to expedite the operationalization of the Pan African University according to Assembly Decision Assembly/AU/Dec. 391 (XVIII), the Pan African University Statutes and the Act of its establishment;
- 4. CALLS UPON PAU host countries and thematic partners to expedite the signing of the relevant Memoranda of Understanding;
- 5. CALLS UPON the Southern Africa region to select the host country for the PAU thematic institute that is allocated to the region and to report to the Summit in January 2013;
- 6. CALL UPON Member States to contribute to the proposed fund for the implementation of the pedagogical use of the General History of Africa;
- 7. ALSO REQUESTS the Commission to initiate studies aimed at identifying mechanisms for engaging the Diaspora in mitigating the loss of African intellectual capital in education, development and all development sectors, including the teaching of Science, Mathematics and Technology;
- 8. **DECIDES** to accelerate the adoption of the draft Statutes of the Pan African University through the relevant AU Sub-Committees to ensure that the operationalization of PAU is not delayed.

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