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The Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya submitted on 27 July 2010 an offer to host the Twenty First Ordinary Session of the Assembly in 2013 in accordance with Rule 5, Paragraphs (1) and (3) of The Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of the Union and the African Union Commission later informed all AU Member States of the offer.

The Libyan offer to host the Session is based on a number of objective considerations, most important of which are:

- The desire to contribute like any other Member States of the African Union to host the Mid-Year Sessions of the Assembly;
- The Jamahiriya is prepared to provide the African Union Commission with different facilities to enable it to carry out its responsibilities in servicing the Sessions as well as alleviate burdens on Heads of States and Members of their delegations participating in the Sessions in terms of logistics such as transport and communication and other services their participation may require;
- Ensure confidence in the facilities put in place for hosting the Assembly in terms of modernity, space, equipment and management.

In submitting the offer to host the above Ordinary Session of the Assembly, the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya undertakes to provide the necessary facilities and the best conditions necessary for its success. It shall bear the financial implications of hosting the Session in accordance with Rule 5, Subparagraph 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, which in line with the current practice, requires that a Host Agreement be concluded between the Host Country and the African Union Commission.

The Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya has the honour to avail the African Union the opportunity to carry out its activities on Libyan soil and shall be pleased to have participants from Member States of the African Union among their brothers and sisters.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE PROPOSAL OF THE GREAT SOCIALIST PEOPLE'S LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIA TO HOST THE 21<sup>ST</sup> ORDINARY SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE AFRICAN UNION IN JULY 2013

- Article (5) paragraph (2) of Rules of Procedure of the Assembly and Financial Rules and Regulations of the Commission, provide that the hosting State shall be responsible for any extra expenses incurred as a result of holding a session outside the African Union Headquarters.
- In implication of the above, the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya undertakes to cover excess resulting from the holding of the session referred to.

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