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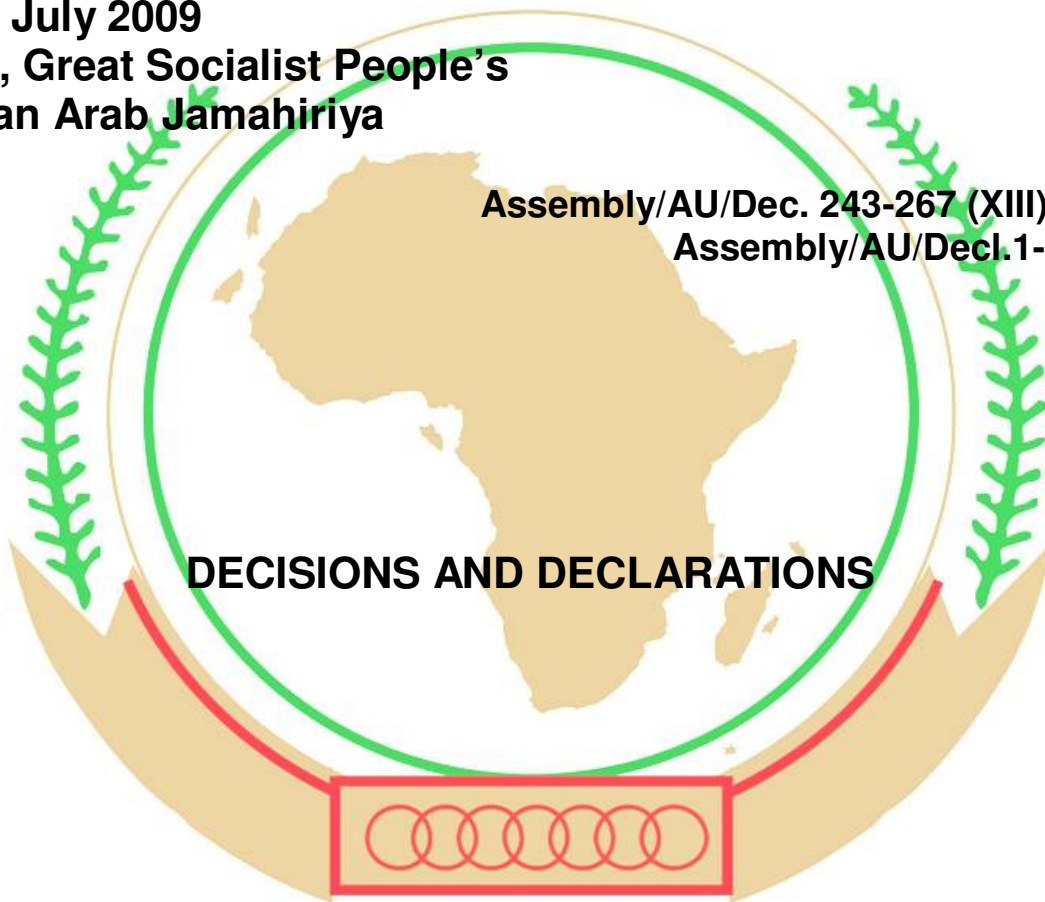
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**DECISION ON THE REPORT OF THE PANEL OF THE WISE ON STRENGTHENING
THE ROLE OF THE AFRICAN UNION IN THE PREVENTION, MANAGEMENT AND
RESOLUTION OF ELECTION-RELATED DISPUTES AND VIOLENT
CONFLICTS IN AFRICA**

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The Assembly,

1. **TAKES NOTE** of the Report of the Panel of the Wise on Strengthening the Role of the African Union in the Prevention, Management and Resolution of Election-related Disputes and Violent Conflicts in Africa;
2. **COMMENDS** the Panel of the Wise for having chosen, as part of its thematic reflection for the year 2008 an issue relevant to conflict prevention and peace building in Africa, the problem of election-related disputes and conflicts. The Assembly **CONSIDERS** the report of the Panel as a significant contribution to the implementation of Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.187(X), in which the Tenth Ordinary Session of the Assembly, held in Addis Ababa from 31 January to 2 February 2008, stressed the need to initiate a collective reflection on the challenges linked to the disputes and tensions that often characterize electoral processes in Africa, including the strengthening of African capacity at the national, regional and continental levels to observe and monitor elections;
3. **REQUESTS** the Commission to take all necessary steps to implement the recommendations of the Panel and to report to it regularly on the progress made in this respect.